



EPC

Emerging Professional's Companion

A Resource for Architectural Education and Experience

AIA Components and the EPC

The AIA recognizes important trends in practice and the importance of professional development and staff retention. AIA components play a significant role in supporting firms with continuing education programs such as discussion/study groups, mentoring programs and workshops that address current practice issues. AIA components are encouraged to contact their IDP State Coordinators for assistance in providing programs and tools for interns in their components.

The Emerging Professional's Companion exercises and scenarios can be used as content for beginning continuing education programs or as a supplement for existing programs for these groups. AIA components can:

- Create lecture-style presentations, design reviews and debates from the exercises and content of the EPC.
- Support interns on their path to licensure, developing more well-rounded professionals who have shown they are able to engage in projects at an early stage of their career.
- Improve practice culture surrounding learning opportunities and mentoring for all staff.

EPC Frequently Asked Questions

How can I get the EPC?

AIA Members: Go to www.EPCCompanion.org. Log in using your e-mail address and AIA password (usually your last name).

NCARB IDP record holders: Go to www.EPCCompanion.org. Click on the link for NCARB IDP record holders and follow secondary login prompts.

Others: Go to AIA Store at www.aia.org/books to purchase access to the EPC Web site.

How much does it cost?

The EPC is FREE for those who need it most, AIA Associate members and NCARB IDP Record Holders. AIA members also receive free access to this excellent firm resource. Non-members may purchase access online for \$250 at the AIA Store, www.aia.org/books.

How do I get credit for the exercises?

Interns must review their work with their IDP supervisor and submit for credit with the University of Oklahoma using the online form on the Web site.

Architects may use the AIA self-report form to submit for credit for work done with the EPC independently or while serving as an IDP supervisor or IDP mentor.



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