MISSION

DBIA promotes the value of the design-build project delivery method and teaches the effective integration of design and construction services to ensure success for owners, design, and construction practitioners.

DBIA will be the industry’s preeminent resource for leadership, education, objective expertise and best practices for the successfully integrated delivery of capital projects.

OUR VALUES

- Excellence in integrated design-build project delivery, producing high value outcomes.
- An environment of trust characterized by integrity and honest communication.
- Mutual respect for and appreciation of diverse perspectives and ideas.
- A commitment to innovation and creativity to drive quality, value and sustainability.
- Professionalism, fairness and the highest level of ethical behavior.

WHAT IS DESIGN-BUILD?

Design-Build is a method of project delivery in which one entity – the design-build team – works under a single contract with the project owner to provide design and construction services. One entity, one contract and one unified flow of work from initial concept through completion re-integrates the roles of designer and constructor. Over the past 15 years, use of design-build has greatly accelerated in the United States, making this delivery method one of the most significant trends in design and construction today.

Design-build is an alternative to the traditional design-bid-build project delivery method. Under the latter approach, design and construction services are split into separate entities, separate contracts and separate work, often leading to disputes between designer and constructor and costly delays in project delivery. Across the country and around the world, owners are turning to design-build instead because it successfully delivers both horizontal and vertical construction projects with superior results.

DESIGN-BUILD FACTS & STATS

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<td>Unit Cost</td>
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Source: Construction Industry Institute (CI)/Penn State research comprising 351 projects ranging from 5K to 2.5M square feet. The study includes varied project types and sectors.
DBIA OFFERS (2) TYPES OF CERTIFICATIONS:

ASSOCIATE DESIGN-BUILD PROFESSIONAL™ (ASSOC. DBIA™)

The Associate Design-Build Professional™ does not require hands-on field experience. Instead, this credential is focused on three key types of individuals who possess a different type of experience:

1) Pre-award professionals focusing on critical aspects of the design-build process such as business development and acquisition/procurement
2) Seasoned professionals who are new to design-build project delivery method, but not new to the design and construction industry
3) Emerging professionals such as recent college graduates with relevant educational background in the AEC industry

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DESIGN-BUILD PROFESSIONAL™

Attaining the DBIA™ requires from two to six years of hands-on experience of pre and post award design-build. Credential holders who display “DBIA” after their names come from traditional design and construction backgrounds; they are private or public sector architects, engineers and construction professionals. Some attorneys and academic practitioners who specialize in design and construction generally and design-build specifically may also fulfill the DBIA™ requirements.

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Regional Competitions: Held in the Spring  
National Conferences: Held in the Fall  

**Your Membership:** Gives you the opportunity to attend our national DBIA conference in the fall, ability to run for an officer position, compete in any DBIA competition and become a certified Design-Build Associate if all certification requirements are met. Join us to find out MORE!