

[E] I can get IDP credit for working on a design competition?

...no way, this is too cool !!!!

Note: If you don't have an NCARB number or haven't submitted an eligibility date form go back to the PDF **How can I get started with IDP?** and follow the directions.

1. The first thing you should do is access the NCARB website at: www.ncarb.org
2. Then click on the IDP quick link and download the IDP Guidelines.
3. Follow the guidelines:
 - a. (See page 17, SUPPLEMENTAL EXPERIENCE FOR CORE HOURS, Design Competitions) for complete information regarding the requirements for reporting design competitions. In general "Interns may earn up to 40 core hours in each IDP experience area (except Leadership and Service) for completion and submission of a design competition entry outside of a recognized experience setting or academic requirement." (What this means is that your completion of the competition has to be outside of a classroom experience where you are receiving credit). All requirements including the eligible types of competitions, supervision guidelines, work product, required documentation and the expectations of both Intern (student) and Mentor can also be found on page 17.
 - b. Find a faculty member to work with and enter a design competition! Just make sure it is not part of a class (you are not receiving credit) and you are working on a recognized, real competition.
 - c. To document the design competition for IDP credit you must upload and complete a Design Competition Verification Form at the conclusion of the competition. This form can also be found on page 17 of the guidelines.
 - d. Once you submit the Design Competition Verification Form your mentor, the faculty assisting or monitoring you on the project, will review and approve the hours through the e-EVR reporting system. Keep in mind that you must report your time (submit the Verification Form) 'within eight months of the published submission deadline' (for the competition). See page 9, ELIGIBILITY, REPORTING, AND EMPLOYMENT, Reporting Requirements, for additional information.

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This looks like a lot of work but for the amount of credits you could receive, it is worth it.
Design competitions are a great way of testing your design abilities and a great portfolio/resume builder.

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