

[H] How can I receive IDP credit for a design or construction related job?

...good places to get excellent experience

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.

Process: This experience area is a catch-all of sorts. It allows you to receive IDP credit by working in the design or construction field in the broadest sense. Thinking about a summer job that might be a bit off the beaten path? The process is described below:

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 14, SUPPLEMENTAL EXPERIENCE FOR CORE HOURS, Design or Construction Related Employment) This section indicates that you can earn a maximum of 930 hours for working in 'Design or Construction related activities under the *direct supervision* of a person experienced in the activity.' What this means is that you can receive IDP credit by working for a construction company, an interior design firm, an un-licensed designer, a planning department as well as a variety of other people and groups. There are myriad opportunities as part of this work setting.
 - b. You have to meet the current employment requirements* which require you to '...be employed at least 15 hours per week for a minimum period of eight consecutive weeks.' (p.9) Your supervisor (the person you work for that is experienced in this activity) will verify your experience.
*This requirement will be eliminated on December 16, 2013.
 - c. Report your time using the e-EVR online reporting system. Keep in mind that you need to submit regularly "in reporting periods of no longer than six months and within two months of completion of each reporting period." (See page 9, ELIGIBILITY, REPORTING, AND EMPLOYMENT) Reporting Requirements for additional information.



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Just another way to receive IDP credit

Working in a design or construction related employer is a way to understand the full spectrum of the built environment.

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