

The Chartered Institute of Building

ACCE/CIOB RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT

Background

This reciprocity agreement between the American Council for Construction Education (ACCE) and the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB) confirms arrangements in respect of mutual recognition of programme accreditation.

This agreement is the culmination of a period of evaluation by both parties embracing

- academic standards comparability
- exchange of procedural information
- reciprocal observation of accreditation visits.

The Agreement

The American Council for Construction Education (ACCE) agrees to recognise university degree programmes accredited by the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB) as equivalent to baccalaureate programmes accredited by ACCE.

The CIOB agrees to recognise baccalaureate programmes accredited by ACCE as equivalent to university degree programmes accredited by the CIOB.

The ACCE agree to invite the CIOB to become a full member of the ACCE with one seat on the Accreditation Committee of the ACCE.

The CIOB agree to invite the ACCE to become full members of the Institute's Committee for Recognition of External Awards and the Education and Professional Development Board with one seat on each.

Maintenance of Accreditation Standards

During the period that this agreement is in force the following steps will be taken to ensure that accreditation standards are maintained:

The ACCE will provide the CIOB with

- * Copies of all reports to and from the Council for Post-Secondary Accreditation (COPA) and the US Department of Education in respect of the accredited status of ACCE.
- * Copies of all changes to ACCE Forms.
- * An annual report on the work of the Accreditation Committee
- * Accredited programme details as required

The CIOB will provide the ACCE with

- * Copies of all changes to the Institute's qualifying examinations
- * Copies of all changes to the rules governing course accreditation
- * An annual report on the work of the Committee for the Recognition of External Awards (CREA)
- * Accredited programme details as required.

Continuing Equivalence

Continuing equivalence will be monitored annually by the Board of Trustees of ACCE and the Education and Professional Development Board of the CIOB through the exchange of reports. A full observer review will be conducted quinquennially.

Termination of Agreement

Termination of the Agreement may arise through

- mutual agreement
- 12 months notice by either party
- failure to agree continuing equivalence
- breach of the agreement or refusal to perform