

IAB Event - Participant Evaluation Survey February 2018 - Tucson, AZ

1. Which of the following most closely describes your field of employment?

	Response Total	Response Percent
Academic Administration	9	19%
Association	1	2%
Faculty	15	32%
Industry/Construction Professional	20	43%
Manufacturer or Supplier	0	0%
Retired, Academic	0	0%
Retired, Industry	1	2%
Retired, Other	1	2%
Other	0	0%
Total Respondents		47

2. Are you currently a member of an IAB?

	Response Total	Response Percent
Yes! I am a current Member	28	60%
No, but I used to be	1	2%
No, but I am considering it	1	2%
No, I am faculty	15	32%
No	2	4%
Total Respondents		47

3. How did you learn about this event?

	Response Total	Response Percent
Directly from an ACCE email	22	47%
ACCE Website	8	17%
Word of mouth from a Colleague	3	6%
Forwarded email from a Colleague	3	6%
Word of mouth from my IAB Chair	5	11%
Forwarded email from the Program Chair of my IAB	4	9%
Other	2	4%
Total Respondents		47

4. Why did you decide to attend this event?

- We have accreditation coming up and I wanted to learn some more about the process and what I can do to help my university. I've been on the IAB at UW-Stout for nearly 10 years and I think it's time to get some renewed interest in the board and engagement, not much has changed in 10 years on it and I think we need to look at the best practices that were discussed and see if there are some take-aways we can implement in our own board. Our board does some things very well but we could always improve to try to help support our program.
- Asked to be a panel member in a presentation
- To gain more knowledge of how successful IAB's have been functioning.
- To help our dept. IAB become even stronger as a resource in building our program for the future of construction education

- Asked to present.
- IT is important to show support for our schools
- I am currently an IAB Chair and wanted to share best practices and stay current on topical issues in our industry.
- To learn the best practices as well as the challenges faced by other programs
- It is a great way to network and learn best practices from other IABs.
- Organizer
- Interest in supporting IAB member involvement, value, and benefit to both member and institution.
- To get a sense of what other IAB's are doing and potentially "steal" ideas to implement at my home institution.
- Learn IAB best practices to take back to my IAB.
- Knowing more about accreditation process
- To learn from others
- It was in our backyard.
- Because I care about the future of our wonderful industry
- I am very happy that I attended the IAB event on accident. Great presentations and ideas for industry to help support specific construction management programs.
- I thought if I was going to best serve as the new president of my IAB executive committee then I should attend this event and learn something about it.
- To learn more about the accreditation process.
- We will be going through accreditation next year, and wanted to get up to speed on some of the steps.
- Considering certification for our 2-year AAS CM program.
- To invite IAB members and improve our Board.
- I love the content, energy and networking!
- I'm always looking for ways to help our IAB improve and impact the school
- To bring my IAC members to learn how they can assist our School of Construction + Design at University of Southern Mississippi
- To gain knowledge of what other IABs are doing that may help to develop and improve our IAB
- To represent North Lake College's Construction Management program and collect information helpful to our reaccreditation visit next spring.
- I am the incoming chair of our IAB
- Starting up an industrial board prior to submitting application for program candidacy.
- I try to attend annually; however, this year I had a presentation.
- Force of habit. I have attended all the IAB's since we started. I always come away with some new ideas and information to take back to my IAC group.
- Catch up on industry practices, re-green on accreditation visits, time to visit with CIAC Board members
- Interested in IABs and info
- To support my IAB chair in his attendance.
- Continuing education about IABs and interacting with educators and other industry members.
- To learn best practices and the experiences of others.
- To better understand how we can engage with our IAB as a partner to produce a better student
- Attend each year since being accredited to stay up on the current trends.
- Learn what other IAB are doing
- To understand what the best practices for IAB is and to foster the my programs' IAB grow
- To learn about how other IABs function in order to provide beneficial info to IABs during visits.
- To learn how I can be more involved with my IAB.
- As a new instructor for Construction Management I felt it would be important to be familiar with ACCE.
- Good past experience
- As a current IAC Board Chair, I find tremendous value in being at these events to discuss best practices and leverage each other to ensure the strength of each other's programs.
- Just to learn more about IAB activities.

5. Overall, was this event of value to you (briefly, Why or Why Not)?

- Yes, it helped my understanding the accreditation process better and IAB best practices.

- Yes, keeps me up to date on what other IAB's are doing and how we can improve ours.
- Yes, getting to speak with other University Faculty and Industry professionals was very helpful to gain some pointers as to where we can improve.
- Yes. It was especially helpful to our IAB members in attendance. But some of the early forums seemed to be overly represented by smaller 2-year programs and tech programs. I sense a reluctance on the part of the faculty of some larger programs to share best practices with the entirety of our ACCE membership. This is especially prevalent among the programs who have formed their own exclusive, private group that meets independently and off site during ACCE events. Although ACCE has no control over what member institutions do on their own time, it puzzles me that member institutions conduct themselves in a way that seems to be counter to the purpose and intent of ACCE.
- It was - there were some good ideas exchanged and a lot of enthusiasm overall.
- yes- It is always a good event to help understand what other schools are doing.
- Yes, I enjoyed the conference.
- It was of great value due to the fact that I was able to achieve my objective as well as build new relations that will be beneficial in the future.
- Very Valuable, made good connections and learned some good ideas from others.
- Yes
- Yes, the event provided a variety of discussions and information. The discussions about best practices and experiences was most helpful.
- Yes, learned lots of good things about what other programs are doing and got some ideas.
- yes
- Yes, getting to know more fellows and receiving useful information
- Yes because it avoids re-inventing the wheel.
- It was more helpful than the actual ACCE meeting the following 2 days.
- YES!!! I really enjoyed meeting all the ACCE members, IAB activists and other professionals passionate about the future of our industry.
- This event was of value because of the great presentations and ideas for industry to help support specific construction management programs.
- It was of value to see, hear and feel the vibe of ACCE along with listening to the challenges and opportunities other IAB's face.
- Very valuable in forging contacts with other faculty and IAB Members. I will change the way IAB meetings are conducted at my school
- Yes. Our Advisory Council/Board had been the "coffee and donuts" group in the past, not being asked to do anything, and not knowing any better. New leadership has made us more active. It is good to see where your program should be, and how to get it there.
- Yes. Good to learn from others who have experience.
- Yes. It is always helpful to hear what other IABNs are doing.
- Yes, interactive and you learn best practices.
- It was a great value. The roundtable discussion with our IAB members was excellent
- A resounding YES!
- Yes, the networking with other educators was valuable. Spending time with the members of our IAB to discuss what was learned and what we can implement or share with ACCE to help others
- Incredibly helpful and somewhat overwhelming. Great information.
- Yes, learning from other programs. Talking to Mostafa regarding their program at CSU
- Yes. I will use the material and advice directly into my IAB. Our first meeting is in April.
- Always. Networking and learning new ideas is of value to me.
- Again, learned of some new things that we may be able to use in my IAC
- Yes.
- Yes. I met some great people and contacts.
- Overall No. I attended last year and I feel 90% of the info was the same. I may plan to attend every 3-4 years if that is the intention of the IAB meeting.
- Good value in learning what other IABs are doing and learning to improve our IAB. Good networking with other industry advisory board members.
- Event was very valuable for me because of the content and the networking opportunities.
- yes, it sparked several conversations both internally and with the IAB for several ideas relating to IAB involvement in projects, speaker series, site visits, etc.

- Yes, it provides best practice advice on what other schools are doing so we can improve as well.
- Yes, I like the blend of academia and industry.
- Yes. I could get some information about 'good' practice of IAB from other schools.
- Yes. Learn something new each time. Event helps improve the function of an IAB and helps the program to do a better job of utilizing the IAB.
- It was a great networking event and there are many ideas I was able to take back.
- yes, I learned quite about the ACCE program and the accreditation process.
- Good content, new ideas, strong networking opportunity.
- Absolutely. Being around like-minded people who are committed to the success of our program's educational value is second to none.
- Yes. I got valuable information about the involvement of IAB in ACCE activities.

6. Did you find value in “Understanding and Preparing for Accreditation Assessment”?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		45	98%
No		1	2%
Total Respondents		46	

7. Why or Why Not? Please explain the value you received or would have liked to.

- Yes, this provided a good overview of the accreditation process for me
- It's was beneficial for me to understand the baseline requirements which we as Industry should expect as well as providing me with the Knowledge of things Industry can do better to support CM.
- Good refresher for what lies ahead and what the teams are focused on when they arrive on site.
- It is important to understand how to keep up with changing standards
- It has provided an overall understanding of the newly adopted system. It was very informative.
- It really was not relevant
- Information about IAB member participation in and support of the accreditation process was beneficial.
- The assessment piece of the accreditation is the most challenging so hearing how other folks are addressing this is important.
- Providing useful information
- Information is power.
- As we shift to outcomes based assessment, it is helpful to get ideas on being prepared for reaccreditation.
- Details of the process were explained and for a first timer it was very helpful.
- This presentation had the most relevant information relating to our current program.
- Keeps us on top of things, and the more you hear it the better for me to be able to process.
- Duh. All of the presentations relating to this subject were immensely valuable.
- Our program assess every year; therefore, ood to have a refresher in preparation for the semester write up.
- Good info
- Even though we just finished accreditation, it was still valuable to see the many ways to interpret the SLO's and team perspectives. There is no ONE way to do it!
- Content was fine. We had already completed our assessment in the Fall semester, we are already making changes to how we will deliver this material the next time.
- Excellent presentation. More clarity about the new accreditation process.

8. Did you find value in “Providing Real World Experience for Students & Faculty”?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		35	76%
No		11	24%
Total Respondents		46	

9. Why or Why Not? Please explain the value you received or would have liked to.

- There was value to the conversation but the title should have been "Attracting new talent to the construction industry". This didn't discuss how to give opportunities to the people already engaged in construction education, it was almost solely discussing how to attract people from the high schools and attracting other new people into the construction industry. I've had professors the last 2 summers work for me to give them some relevant industry experience and I would have liked to know what others from industry have done to help faculty get current experience and maybe different ideas for internship/coop experience duties.
- As an Industry professional that hires a lot of interns I fully understand the value of hands on education to bring perspective to the theory's taught in the classroom.
- It's good to get others' perspectives in addressing issues that are common among schools and IABs.
- Panel focused on craft training, which is only one aspect of "real world experience," and provided diminished utility overall.
- Great advice and something to look for as we move forward
- The focus of the presentation was very limited. It mostly focused on 2 year programs and trade skills. It did not provide a transitioning platform for the 4 year programs.
- Great panel, good examples of real world application of craft training and the value.
- Anecdotal information was valuable.
- It was too focused on hands-on craft training. Not all programs can afford that, in terms of academic supervision.
- because this is the real world
- I am a huge advocate for experiential learning. Experiential learning is deeper learning. When students return from an internship, they have gained knowledge in which they can ground new knowledge from the classroom.
- I found the presentation informative and helpful
- This material was less relevant to our program.
- This was the BEST. I especially loved Greg Zick. :)
- It was fine.
- Helping our students prepare for the real world of construction is our mission.
- I find that providing real world experience is the best way for students to understand learning objectives.
- Think this is very important for students.
- It was hard to pay attention and follow along with the information.
- Learning how others incorporated student practical learning experiences in their programs was very important.
- I am currently engaging with Construction firms for internships for students, as well as myself.
- The presentation was not new to me and my program.
- Increases the awareness needed to get faculty/staff back into the workforce for keeping their experience current with industry.
- Good examples on how students are engaged in real-life work experience.

10. Did you find value in the presentation “Surviving Leadership Change – How to Navigate Critical Transitions”?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		37	80%
No		9	20%
Total Respondents		46	

11. Why or Why Not? Please explain the value you received or would have liked to.

- This was interesting but not overly helpful to me personally.
- BSU is going through this very thing.
- Did not attend
- Useful but generic - additional, specific examples of what to do/not do would have been helpful.
- Leadership change is a critical component of our programs. Great to see other examples
- Good information for succession planning
- Good
- did not attend
- It did not stick to the topic.
- "The only constant is change." Succession planning is critical for success and all groups and organizations.
- This was very helpful as we have a new program chair and I am the new IAB President.
- Not applicable to our program at this time.
- It brought up a critical topic which often neglected.
- However, we are currently going through leadership changes here and I didn't glean that much help in dealing with this.
- Their leadership succession process for their IAB and their post grad survey process.
- Currently involved in a leadership change!!
- Missed it
- Learning the experiences of others with leadership transitions was important.
- We have a professor who will be retiring this Spring so this helped provide some insight.
- Always helpful to programs but also can be beneficial to organizations also.
- Increases awareness and focus around targeted mentorship and guidance for up and coming IAC leaders.
- Did not attend the session.

12. Did you find value in the presentation “High Impact Practices: Building Future Leaders”?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		40	87%
No		6	13%
Total Respondents		46	

13. Why or Why Not? Please explain the value you received or would have liked to.

- Great presentation, I have several take-aways from this I think our IAB can work with our university on. This was the most valuable presentation for me personally.
- Excellent presentation, lots of takeaways.
- We need strong leadership in Industry and it starts at colleges across the cuntry. Universities maintaining a high level of professionalism is only going to better the future of the student as they come into industry with the understanding of what a professional is and should be.
- Ditto
- Seemed like a commercial for CSU's program. Although program certainly does some wonderful work, its selective process for student involvement means that only a few are actually trained as leaders, and does not prepare the student body as a whole. Many programs have similar efforts that benefit a small, select group like this, but an approach that incorporates everyone would have been more useful.
- Leadership is critical to our success. Great to see Universities working to create that environment
- The examples provided were very relevant and applicable over a large domain.
- Good information about what future leaders need to be successful.
- Very insightful presentation
- Good content
- This is why I'm here

- Mostafa has initiated some great ideas at CSU. It is great hearing about the impact and Mostafa's passion for construction education.
- We already have something similar in place that is more effective for our 2-year program.
- The best presentation of the conference. Mostafa's insight and success is very valuable.
- That what we are here to do!
- Think something we may be able to use here.
- The information was just not pertinent to me or my situation.
- Leadership development is very important, and this session was very informative.
- Colorado State's model here was very inspiring and has our own department talking about how we can better engage the community.
- I thought that our construction education should incorporate other skills than just technical aspects of Construction Management. However, not sure how to implement it with fixed course credit hours & limited resources.
- Again, beneficial to all stakeholders
- Excellent presentations on leadership transition.

14. Did you find value in the presentation “Incorporating Craft Training into a CM Program”?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		32	70%
No		14	30%
Total Respondents		46	

15. Why or Why Not? Please explain the value you received or would have liked to.

- This was an interesting presentation, especially the Tuskegee University history section which I found culturally fascinating. There were not a lot of new ideas to what we are doing however, relating to how to incorporate real world skills into the CM curriculum.
- Very important for faculty and industry to work together in providing opportunities for students to grow.
- Content not relevant to our curriculum. There is a need for this, but not from every CM program.
- Limited usefulness.
- Craft training is important to develop real world knowledge
- Great examples, would have liked to hear more about industry involvement and how they can be utilized more.
- It was good, not consistent though!
- Opens new avenues in terms of courses
- Again, this is not applicable to all programs.
- I don't think I attended this one.
- I started in the construction trades. Currently, our biggest shortage is young people going into the trades. In addition, we need our CM students to understand and respect the people doing the work.
- I think in order for our industry to continue to thrive and serve future needs, we need to incorporate and maintain craft training in our CM programs.
- We are not considering craft training in our 2-year program.
- Heather Gay was the bomb. Want to see more of her.
- We do this at our program so it was validating.
- We are a two-year program and currently maxed out on credit hours per the government's restrictions. Our Construction Technology program addresses craft training.
- Great to see what programs are doing.
- I think we need more exposure to this type of training. However, there are only so many hours that are allowed these days for the entire program. Having a hard time seeing where it could fit in.
- Good info and ideas
- This is difficult in 4-year programs, but the panel discussion was interesting.

- yes it was in the sense that we are wanting to add more of this into our program, but there were certainly some presentations which were not focused on the topic and ended up being more of a history lesson of their university.
- Focused on the need for all program's to think outside the box on our industry-wide skilled labor shortage; taking this a step further, increases the importance of our students to understand how craft is both important and how it works so they can manage it in their future as PMs.
- This presentation just presented a panel of industry people on how their companies operate.

16. Did you attend Track One - Visitor Team Training?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		3	21%
No		11	79%
Total Respondents		14	

17. For Track Two attendees, did you find value in the presentation “Industry Advisory Board Best Practices - The Best Thing We Ever Did”? (Do not answer if you attended Visitor Team Training)

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		9	82%
No		2	18%
Total Respondents		11	

18. Why or Why Not? Please explain the value you received or would have liked to.

- This is one of the sessions I really came for, I was maybe hoping for a little more out of it, but that might just mean that we are doing a lot of the things the other IAB's are already too. All good information, it reinforced a lot of things we are doing and gave me a couple things I could take back to my board.
- I did not get the feeling that the panelists were representative of the IABs of larger CM programs. A broader cross section is needed. Too much focus on residential construction and hands-on skilled craftsman applications.
- Lacked structure and direction.

19. Did you find value in the presentation “Forming a Mentor Program within your IAB or IAC”?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		6	55%
No		5	45%
Total Respondents		11	

20. Why or Why Not? Please explain the value you received or would have liked to.

- I've never thought about a IAB mentoring program, I'll take it to our IAB and see what people think of the idea. It will really call out the IAB to become engaged which I personally think is a great thing.
- Not sure this will have much impact on our IAB, but good to hear what others are doing.
- Broad, but interesting.
- I missed this one as well and we really needed information on this. Is it possible to get any documentation that accompanied the presentation?

21. Did you find value in the presentation “Collaborative Internship”?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		6	55%
No		5	45%
Total Respondents		11	

22. Why or Why Not? Please explain the value you received or would have liked to.

- As a company we have a robust intern program and I don't think there was anything I learned here that would change how we do things or adds value to what we already do. I really didn't care to have a file sharing app being pushed on us, kind of felt like an infomercial pushing NoteVault. We have a strong internship program do this was not as applicable to us.
- I don't think the idea of requiring a student to go to work for the company they internship with is in the best interest of the students.
- Awesome.

23. Did you find value in the “Round Table Discussions”?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		9	82%
No		2	18%
Total Respondents		11	

24. Why or Why Not? Please explain the value you received or would have liked to.

- We had some good dialogue about idea sharing and possible areas of improvement.
- Any takeaways from events like this are worthwhile.

25. Did you find value in the “Closing Remarks”?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		37	80%
No		9	20%
Total Respondents		46	

26. Why or Why Not? Please explain the value you received or would have liked to.

- I believe a good high level summary of what the ACCE is doing and trying to do with the conference is a great idea, there should always be some kind of summary at the end of a presentation like this.
- A lot of effort and momentum put into the event and it was nice to hear the direction of the organization.
- Not much new information
- Great meeting
- As expected
- I was not present
- too long winded
- I actually missed the closing because I was in a meeting with an attendee.
- Good summary and wrap up.
- Very much so. Probably could have used a bit more of Mike Holland.
- Good ideas presented. I wish that my entire Advisory Board could hear this.

- University of Southern Mississippi would like to present at next years IAB event. The School of Construction and Design will share how we partnered with the construction industry utilizing innovative approaches for (A)recruiting high school and community college students into the construction field of study, (B) how we have grounded the lab courses content in the online program utilizing NCCER modules.
- I think I stepped out during the closing remarks; however, Susan does a get job with the IAB Meeting!
- missed it
- Mike is always a great motivator.
- it is always a good idea to recap to bring synergy to the ideas that were previously presented.
- Did not attend

27. Please give your opinion on various other items, i.e., Registration Process, Breakfast, Lunch, Breaks, Dinner, Overall Venue, etc.?

- Honestly, I was good with all the tangible items listed above by the i.e..., One thought I had several time through the presentations was the feeling there was a lot of involvement or focus on the homebuilding trades. That focus surprised me and there may be nothing to do about that, it might just be a function of what industries find interest in the ACCE, just an observation.
- All done well
- Well orchestrated. Service was great. Meals were very good, but disappointed that the Friday lunch did not have a Lenten non-meat option. The conference venue location was a bit bizarre in how it had to be accessed from the guest rooms/elevators. Having to walk through the restaurant or around the outside of the building to get to the conference space was strange and inconvenient.
- Went well.
- It was a great experience. I was a little disappointed that region specific lunch wasn't served. Long trip and a lot invested for a ham sandwich.
- I thought the Sheraton Tucson was "just OK". I think you could enhance the conference in a nicer location.
- Everything was great and done with ease.
- Food was good, registration process was easy and dinner was simple and very good.
- Food was great. Location not so great.
- Well prepared, organized, and implemented.
- Greater use of seating at round tables for workshops and presentations would encourage more exchange and discussion among participants, which increases exchange of information and networking at no additional cost and greater value for participants.
- All good.
- Venue out of the way. Maybe should have been downtown.
- It seems the whole three days could be condensed to two days
- All good
- It was well planned. More information helping the industry members understand academics would be useful.
- terrible hotel experience at the Radisson
- Great Venue and great meals.
- Registration was simple, easy and friendly. I thought it was a little odd that we walked through the venue past the food up the stairs to register then came back down stairs to eat breakfast. Breakfast was good and enjoyable to meet new people. Lunch was good. The breaks were well positioned. I did not attend the dinner. The venue seemed to serve the needs of the events. The logistics just seemed a little outdated.
- Overall, it was a good meeting. Tucson was hard to get to requiring plane changes. I was affected by weather delays and many I spoke to expressed the same. I'll wait to attend Houston next year as I can get a non stop flight to and from my hometown.
- Venue was remote. Lunch was crowded. The walk to dinner was inconvenient, and while I did not mind I did see this as a negative. I felt the roundtable could have been longer...rotating tables or something like that. We got great benefit in the roundtable.
- Everything was fine. Thank you.
- Keep up the good work.
- The registration needs to be seamless with ACCE it is one organization one event. IAB is simply a pre-conference option. Let's play better together. Charlie and Susan need to hit the reset button with Mike and Billye. Future focused. Better together!

- Allow more time for IAB members to interact with each other
- All good.
- Dinner location was very crowded which made it difficult to communicate
- All of the surrounding issues with the event were good.
- The event staff seemed to be putting up additional tables and chairs. Did they not prepare for the actual number of participants?
- Everything was nice and professionally prepared. The Sheraton was a bit out of town which made transportation in and around the city more difficult.
- Excellent!!!
- Hotel was a little weird. Registration, meals and breaks all good.
- Great food, easy registration, good networking. A great day.
- The city, hotel, and conference venue was sub-par and not very inspiring. Actually, it was very mediocre and inconvenient. I would expect a higher level of service and accommodations from the venue for the IAB meeting. I would also expect better for the full-ACCE conference the remaining days, too.
- Food could be better and a better venue. I didn't find the Sheraton in Tucson to be the best location and/or facility.
- More coffee stations on the different floors/rooms would have been nice.
- Registration and venue were great.
- I would like to see vendors such as Procore, Bluebeam, etc.
- The Sheraton selected for this event was subpar and did not meet expectations based on the past two venue locations.
- The Best Practices is not necessarily only from big schools/programs. It would be great if best practices from medium/small size CM programs are introduced & discussed.
- Thought all was done well except the space for the dinner was tight and small. Probably partially impacted by the cooler weather and not being able to enjoy the outdoors.
- Venue was average. Event was very nicely organized
- everything was very nice.
- Well organized. Timely breaks. Good attendance by industry and faculty. Traveling to/from Tucson not convenient.
- Would like to see a more formal registration process electronically vs. via email and PDF.
- Great!!

28. Would you consider attending another ACCE IAB event next year?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		42	95%
No		2	5%
Total Respondents		44	

29. Which ACCE IAB Events have you attended? (n = 44)

	Yes	No
2010 Albuquerque	13.64% (6)	86.36% (38)
2011 Ft. Lauderdale	18.18% (8)	81.82% (36)
2012 Phoenix	15.91% (7)	84.09% (37)
2013 Baton Rouge	13.64% (6)	86.36% (38)
2014 Tampa	20.45% (9)	79.55% (35)
2015 Long Beach	22.73% (10)	77.27% (34)
2016 Mobile	31.82% (14)	68.18% (30)
2017 Orlando	50% (22)	50% (22)
This is my first IAB Event	45.45% (20)	54.55% (24)