



GBCI's [EDGE V3 Technical Online Workshop](#) qualifies [EDGE Expert candidates](#) to take the EDGE Exam. The workshop covers the EDGE standard, the EDGE certification process, and how to successfully use the EDGE App.

The online workshop consists of six on-demand modules with interactive features, videos, and text. Students must complete the EDGE App Practical Exercise and upload their results as well as pass a quiz at the end of the workshop. The workshop costs \$150 USD and is estimated to take 8 hours to complete. Students have full access to the workshop for 12 months after purchase.



Prepare and qualify to sit for the EDGE Exam



Learn at your own pace, whenever & wherever you like



Learn how to sell EDGE & gain access to GBCI sales resources



Become an expert at using the EDGE App with a practical exercise



Earn Continuing Education (CE) hours for your LEED or AIA professional credentials



Receive 12 months of access to all workshop resources

REGISTER (English Version)

- Price** \$150 USD (payable via credit or debit card)
- Languages** English
Spanish (coming in July 2024)
- Time** 8 hours
- Format** 6 on-demand modules, with a practical exercise, videos, quiz, and other interactive features and resources
- Access** Available for 12 months after purchase
- Objectives**
 - 1) Gain an overview of EDGE and the certification process
 - 2) Learn how to use the EDGE App
 - 3) Understand how energy, water, and materials efficiency strategies impact cost, savings, and building performance
 - 4) Learn best practices to bring EDGE to market

Module	Content
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Course Orientation ▪ EDGE Overview ▪ Certification Roles and Processes
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EDGE Experts and EDGE Auditors ▪ EDGE Methodology ▪ Applying EDGE in Special Circumstances ▪ Resources
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EDGE App Tour ▪ EDGE App Practical Exercise Instructions
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EDGE App Practical Exercise Debrief ▪ Using the EDGE App to Maximize ROI
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Energy Efficiency Measures ▪ Water Efficiency Measures ▪ Materials Efficiency Measures
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Selling EDGE in the Market ▪ EDGE Exam Resources and Tips ▪ Conclusion

Registration Instructions

1. Click on the blue "REGISTER" button above for the [English](#) version of the workshop.
2. Click on the "Access or purchase this course" button.
3. Sign in with your existing usgbc.org account or click on the blue "Create one" link and follow the prompts if you need to set up a new free account.
4. Click on the "Purchase - \$150" button and follow the prompts to purchase the course. Students have full access to the course for 12 months after purchase.



An innovation of IFC, a member of the World Bank Group, EDGE is a green building certification system focused on making buildings more resource-efficient. It enables developers and builders to quickly identify the most cost-effective ways to reduce energy use, water use, and embodied energy in materials. EDGE empowers emerging markets to scale up resource-efficient buildings in a fast, easy, and affordable way. As a global certifier, Green Business Certification Inc. (GBCI) administers EDGE certification [in most countries around the world](#). **Learn more about EDGE at edge.gbci.org.**



Green Business Certification Inc. (GBCI) is the premier organization independently recognizing excellence in green business industry performance and practice globally. Through rigorous certification and credentialing standards, GBCI drives adoption of green building and business practices. GBCI is the only certification and credentialing body within the green business and sustainability industry to exclusively administer project certifications and professional credentials of LEED, WELL, SITES, PEER, Parksmart and Zero Waste.

GBCI provides its EDGE customers with trusted, quality certification; award winning customer service; best-in-class marketing and promotion support and comprehensive education services.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Is this workshop right for me?

This workshop is primarily designed for architects, engineers, and green building consultants. It is also appropriate for property developers and owners and those in the construction, government, banking or finance industries that wish to learn more about EDGE. In addition, this workshop qualifies and prepares EDGE Expert credential candidates to take the EDGE Exam.

We strongly encourage you to take GBCI's free online "Introduction to EDGE" workshop, available in [English](#), [Spanish](#), [Portuguese](#), and [French](#), *before* registering for this training. In only 30 minutes, you'll learn all about the EDGE software, the certification process, and business opportunities as both a consultant and EDGE Auditor.

2. Will I get continuing education (CE) credits after completing this workshop?

Yes, the workshop is eligible for 8 CE hours to maintain your LEED professional or AIA credentials.

3. What is an EDGE Expert?

An EDGE Expert credential holder is a professional that helps a developer, owner, and larger project team understand the EDGE standard, EDGE App and certification system. The scope of the EDGE Expert's work includes advice on green design and assistance with preparation of an application for EDGE certification.

4. How do I earn my EDGE Expert credential?

LEED APs are prequalified. If you are not a LEED AP, you must have a higher education qualification in a construction industry related field OR three (3) years of experience working in the construction industry (as a skilled professional or tradesperson) and a higher education qualification (not necessarily in a construction industry related field).

Acceptable Construction Industry Roles		
Architect	Contractor	Planner
Architectural Technologist	Construction Manager	Procurement & Contracts Management
Bid Manager	Developer	Quantity Surveyor
Building Surveyor	Electrical Engineer	Site Engineer
CAD Technician	Estimator	Site Manager
Civil Engineer	Energy/Environmental Engineer	Skilled Tradesperson
Contracts Manager	Facilities Manager	Structural Engineer
	Mechanical Engineer	

Professionals that meet the eligibility requirements must complete this workshop and successfully pass the EDGE Exam in order to earn their EDGE Expert credential.

5. What are the benefits of having an EDGE Expert credential?

As an EDGE Expert, you will be seen by developers and owners as a trusted resource and advisor on EDGE certification. You can market your understanding of the EDGE App to potential developers, which will inspire confidence that their project can achieve certification with your knowledge, insights and support. The workshop will allow you to develop new skills to stay competitive in the market, enabling you to expand your business and services and attract new customers. As an EDGE Expert, you will also influence best practices in bio-climatic design and make a positive impact by helping to create more resource-efficient buildings.

6. What is the EDGE Exam? Where can I take it? How much is it?

The EDGE Exam is administered by Prometric (a third-party testing center) and currently costs \$100 USD. A complete list of test center locations may be found at <http://www.prometric.com/edge>. You may also take the EDGE Exam from the comfort of your home or office as long as your workspace and computer meet Prometric's requirements. The EDGE Exam is administered via computer and consists of 75 multiple-choice questions that must be completed within a 2.5 hour time limit. All exams are closed-book. The exam is currently available in English, Chinese, Spanish, Portuguese, French, Vietnamese, and Indonesian Bahasa.

Please contact edgeexam@ifc.org with any additional questions about the EDGE Exam.

7. How do I prepare to pass the EDGE Exam?

Successful completion of this workshop is required in order to be eligible to sit for the EDGE Exam. While the workshop serves as your best preparation for the EDGE Exam, you should expect to invest significant additional time studying technical materials like the [EDGE Methodology Report](#), [EDGE User Guide](#), and IFC's [EDGE Protocols](#) before you attempt to take the EDGE Exam. You can also check out our tips on [how to pass the EDGE Exam](#) on your first try from our past students. Finally, you may wish to test your knowledge with [sample exam questions](#) and take the official [EDGE practice exam](#) via Prometric (\$30 USD, payable to Prometric).

8. Can I retake the EDGE Exam if I do not pass the first time?

You may retake the EDGE Exam once more within two months of your first attempt. Retaken exams will be different from the original EDGE Exam. Each exam attempt will cost \$100 (paid to Prometric). If you do not pass the exam within the specified time period you will have to retake the training. Please note that you will have full access to the workshop for 12 months after purchase.

9. Is an owner or developer required to hire an EDGE Expert for a project seeking EDGE certification?

Hiring an EDGE Expert is not required. However, we highly recommend having an EDGE Expert or another individual on the project team that has experience with EDGE to help facilitate the certification process.

10. What is the difference between an EDGE Expert and an EDGE Auditor?

An **EDGE Expert** is a professional that helps a developer, owner, and larger project team understand the EDGE standard, EDGE App, and certification system. The scope of the EDGE Expert's work includes advice on green design and assistance with preparation of an application for EDGE certification.

An **EDGE Auditor** is an individual who determines by investigation and evaluation of objective evidence whether a building meets the requirements of the EDGE Standard. The EDGE Auditor completes this assessment by reviewing project documentation (Design Audits), conducting visits to the project site (Site Audits), and making Recommendations for certification to GBCI. EDGE Auditors must be independent from the developer/owner/project team of the project they audit. The EDGE Auditor does not influence project design nor makes recommendations. The EDGE Auditor only becomes involved once the project application is received to begin the certification process.

EDGE Auditors have additional steps they must complete on top of what is required to be an EDGE Expert. EDGE Auditors must meet minimum [eligibility requirements](#), submit an application, and take GBCI's EDGE Auditor Candidate Workshop. They also need to sign an EDGE Auditor agreement with GBCI and pay a maintenance fee. [Learn more](#) about the EDGE Auditor position.

11. How can I become an EDGE Auditor with GBCI?

EDGE Experts may apply to become an EDGE Auditor at <https://edge.gbc.org/auditors>. You will also find a detailed description of the role, eligibility requirements, and process to become an EDGE Auditor on the same webpage. EDGE Auditor candidates must complete GBCI's EDGE Auditor Candidate Workshop. [Learn more](#) about the EDGE Auditor position.