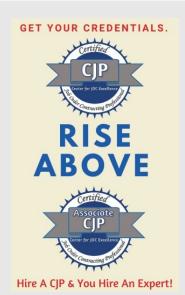
JOC insights



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Professional Credentials Demonstrate Expertise



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CJP Credential in Proposal Evaluation Criteria

It's becoming more common that owners are including CJP credentials as the highest ranking score in the qualifications and staff evaluation in proposals for JOC programs. And, of course they should since it's the nation's professional designation demonstrating JOC expertise. CJP is the acronym for Certified JOC Professional and it is tied to the industry's professional education program in partnership with University of Texas at Austin, Cockrell School of Engineering's Texas Engineering Executive Education. The CJP program serves as the national and international Program of Excellence at the Center for JOC Excellence.

In the early years of JOC, a professional engineer was required to be on the contractor's team of JOC experts to qualify. Today, the JOC industry has grown and matured after 35 years and now looks to the Certified JOC Professionals as the experts on the team. Many government facilities and procurement representatives that administer their JOC programs have become CJPs and report that becoming credentialed was one of the best professional programs they have experienced. Even the job order contractors and consultants that want to help owners need their credential to prove their expertise and win contracts. The learning and camaraderie developed with each cohort is incredible and a testament to the success of the professional education and certification program.

Through CJP credentialing, practitioners and professionals demonstrate their knowledge of the Job Order Contracting project delivery method as a program. JOC is the most collaborative project delivery method. It takes teamwork to realize a well-functioning JOC Program and Center for JOC Excellence is the organization that offers the credential that is specifically designed to provide education and training in the job order contracting best practices that promote successful programs.

To become a Certified JOC Professional, one has to take the prerequisite JOC Training & Certificate Program, pass the qualifying exam, submit an application with references, and have a minimum number of years in each of the five functional areas just to qualify for the credential. When one obtains the credential they have proof of their expertise so it is the single best item to include in the evaluation criteria in the qualifications section.

The CJP Program is governed by a Board of Governors termed Credentialing Board and is comprised of CJP professionals who are responsible for policies and procedures affecting criteria for professional credentials and the determination of the status of candidates test results and approval of applications and renewals.

We highly recommend starting your journey to becoming a Certified JOC Professional (CJP). Visit the CJE website at JOCexcellence.org to locate the class schedule and details.

To download the CJP and CJP Assoc Application Guidebook or the Renewal Guidebook, please visit JOCexcellence.org/joc-certificate.