Community College of Denver offering professional development for practicing architects

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(Denver, CO) For the professional architect, Community College of Denver (CCD) provides Professional Development Certificates designed to help practicing professionals prepare to take the Architectural Registration Exam or simply develop their skill set or increase their knowledge base to pursue advancement in the profession.

Three professional development certificates are offered:

The Professional Development certificate – This certificate is designed for individuals to increase their skills in the standard software of Revit and Sketch Up, as well as learning the newest iteration of the building code and advances in sustainable design. This one semester certificate is for individuals who need to refresh their skills.

The Computer Visualization certificate – This course will expand the computer skills of practicing professionals and put them in the forefront of emerging digital technologies. This certificate includes developing high end rendering skills, and is the first certificate in the state to include Rhino 3D.

The A.R.E. (Architectural Registration Exam) certificate – This certificate allows practicing professionals an opportunity to prepare for their registration exam in a structured hybrid educational setting (both classroom and online instruction) with the benefit of potentially qualifying for Federal Financial Aid. The classes are taught in an accelerated format, designed to accommodate today's busy professionals, and students can complete all six classes in a standard semester. CCD is the only Community College in the western United States to offer this opportunity to the professional community.

Courses are taught by licensed architects:

Scott Sworts is chair of Architectural Technology at CCD and a licensed architect. He earned his masters of architecture at the University of Colorado Denver, and has taught at both the University of Colorado and at the Savannah College of Art and Design.

Devin Shea graduated from the University of Kansas, School of Architecture with a masters in architecture in 2008, where he specialized in computer aided design, green design, and acoustical design.

Joseph B. Juhasz, Ph.D. is Emeritus Professor of Architecture and Environmental Design at the University of Colorado where he has served as interim dean, department chair, and chair of the university-wide faculty council.

Mark Broyles has practiced architecture, urban design, and landscape architecture over a career spanning 30 years and in settings as diverse as Seattle, Virginia, Washington, DC, London, and Denver.

With 15 years of architectural design and construction observation experience, Margaret Pauls blends a deep practical knowledge of the architectural profession with her passion for sustainable and high performance building design.

Jon Hostager is a registered architect with over twenty years of experience in the design of a wide range of building types including academic, hospitality, recreation, and historic preservation.

CCD also offers an associate of applied science degree in Architectural Technologies that qualify the student to work as a junior architect or transfer to a four year institution.

CCD is an affiliated member of ACSA (American Colligate Schools of Architecture).

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Community College of Denver (CCD) is a leading point of entry to higher education for the City and County of Denver. CCD provides a cost effective college education, along with access and opportunity for non-traditional students, workforce development and training resources for local organizations, and community partnerships. For more information, visit www.CCD.edu Information on occupations, rates for completion and placement, program costs and median loan debt can be found at www.ccd.edu/gainfulemployment