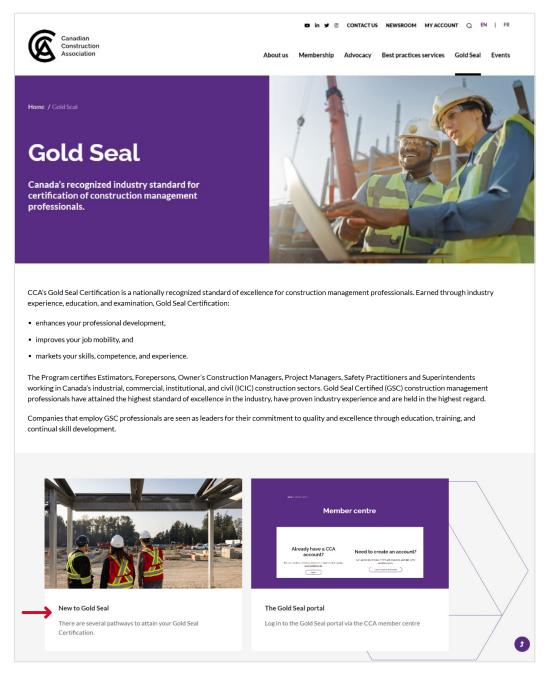


Welcome to the brand-new Gold Seal portal! This guide will help you navigate the portal, provide insight into how it works, and clearly outline each step you must take throughout the process. To get the most out of your experience, be sure to follow the instructions below as you manage your certification.

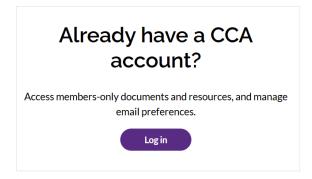
## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Visit www.cca-acc.com/gold-seal/
- 2. For Gold Seal information and resources, click "New to Gold Seal."
- 3. To log into the Gold Seal portal via the CCA member centre, click "The Gold Seal portal."

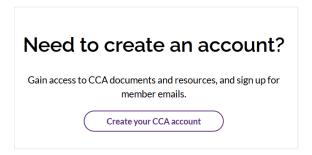


4. Once you reach the Gold Seal portal via the CCA member centre, there are two options:

a. For existing interns, GSCs or P.GSCs, please click the log in button under "Already have a CCA account?"

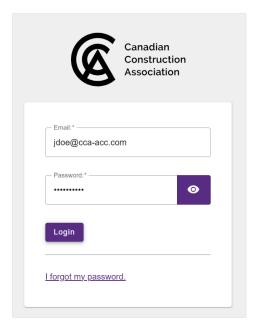


b. For individuals **new to the program** who do not have active applications, please click the **"Create your CCA account"** button under "Need to create an account?"

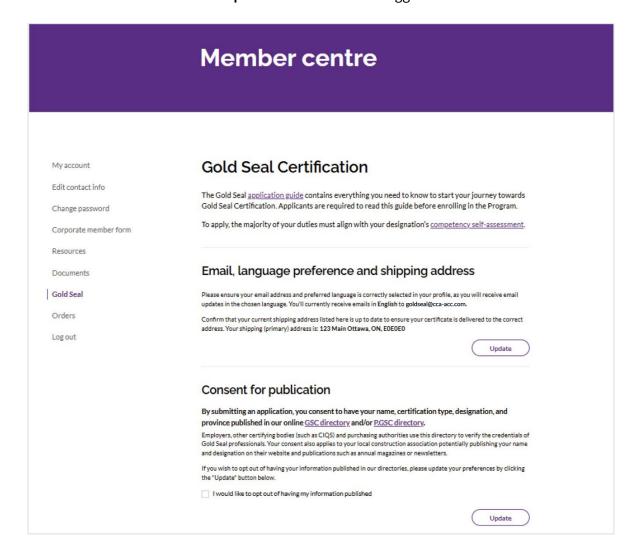


5. Enter your email and password to access the Gold Seal portal.

Direct link: <a href="https://www.cca-acc.com/member-centre/gold-seal/">https://www.cca-acc.com/member-centre/gold-seal/</a>

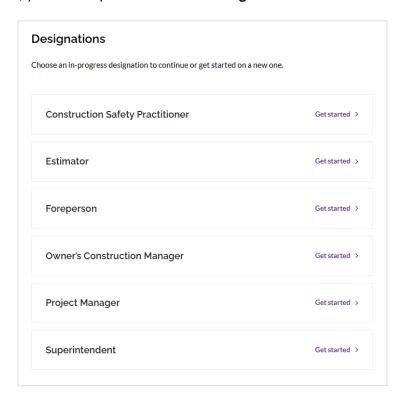


6. You will reach the Gold Seal portal dashboard once logged in.

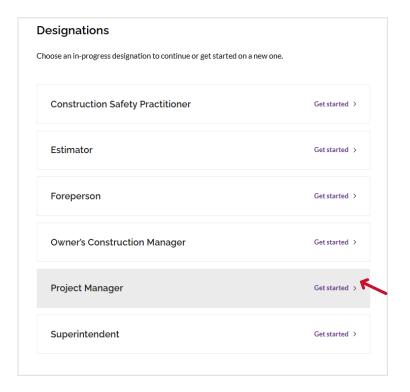


7. Review the <u>application guide</u> and competency self-assessment before beginning your application.

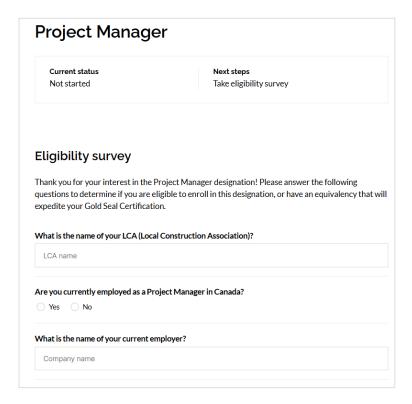
8. After consent, you will be presented with 6 designations.



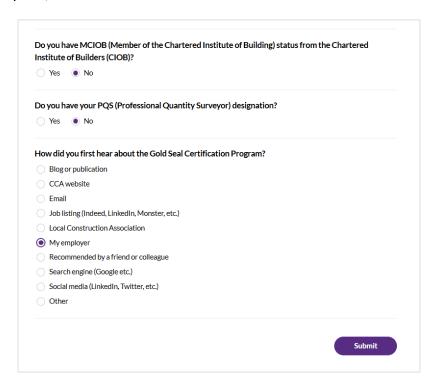
9. To begin your application, select your designation (must be currently working in that role).



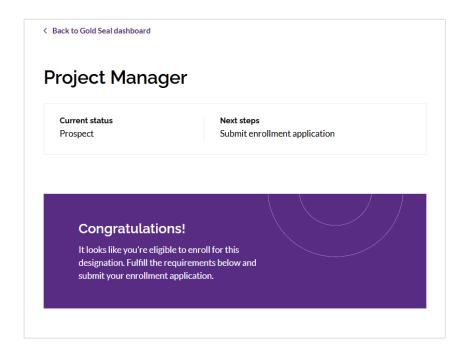
10. The first step in the process is to complete the eligibility survey.



11. Once complete, click the "Submit" button.

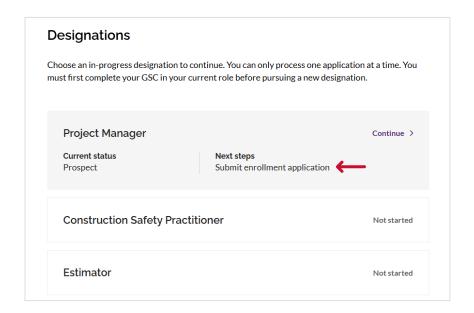


12. If you are eligible, you will see the following message:

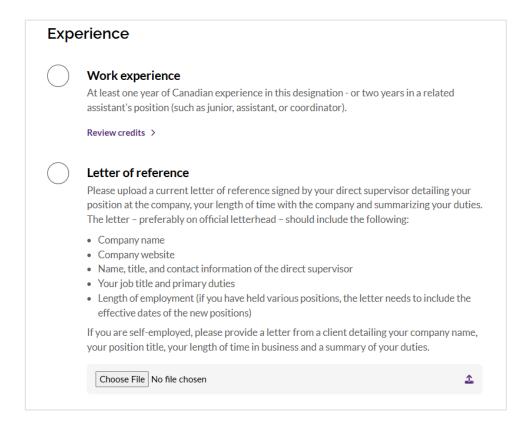


If you are <u>not</u> eligible, the reason will be provided with the next steps.

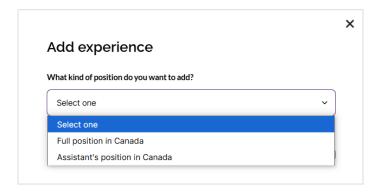
13. To continue, scroll down to the designations section, where your next steps have been updated to "submit enrollment application."



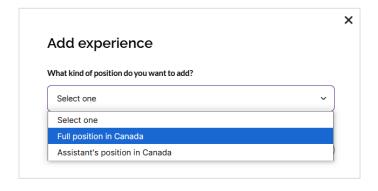
14. You may begin your enrollment application by completing the work **experience** and **letter of reference** sections.



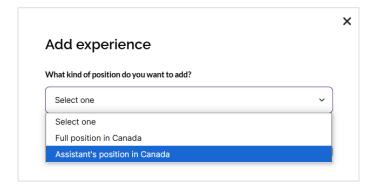
15. A box will appear where you can **add your experience**. Alternatively, you can close the box and click "review credits" under "Work experience."



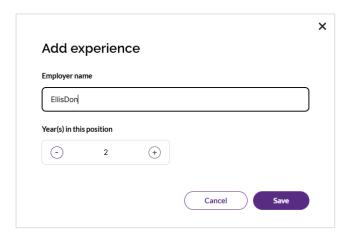
16. To enroll, you only need one year of experience in a full position or two years in an assistant's position. **Select your experience type**:



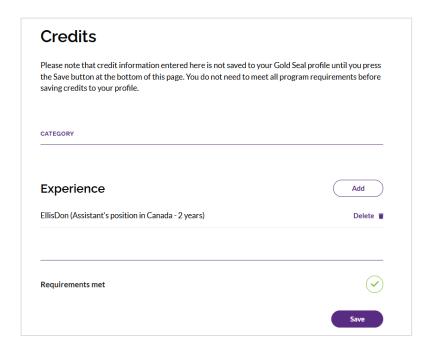
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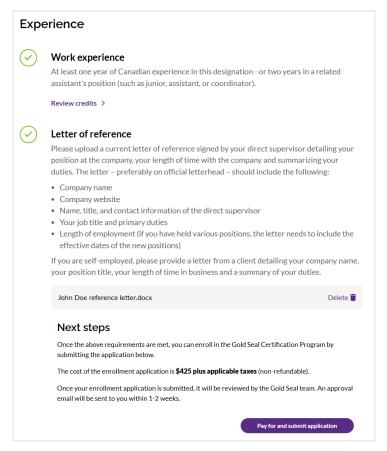
17. Include the **employer's name and year(s) in this position**, then save.



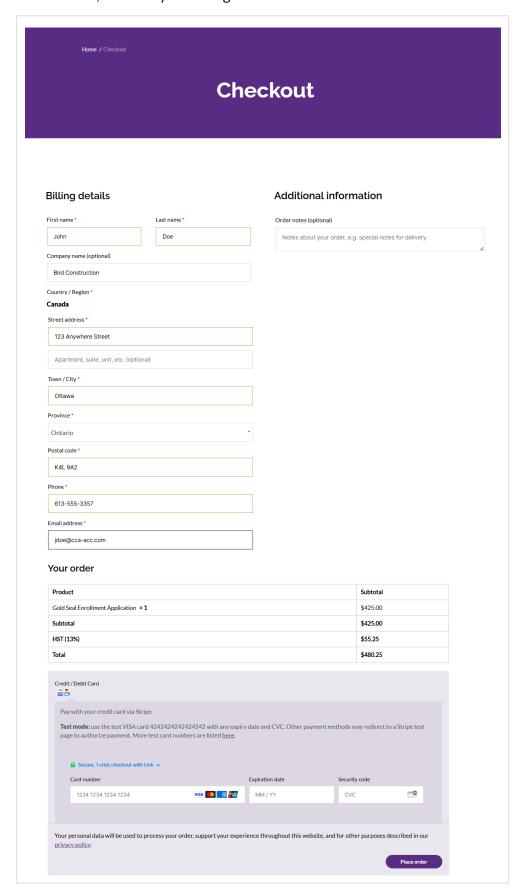
18. You will then see that you have met the minimum requirements. Save and proceed to upload your letter of reference.



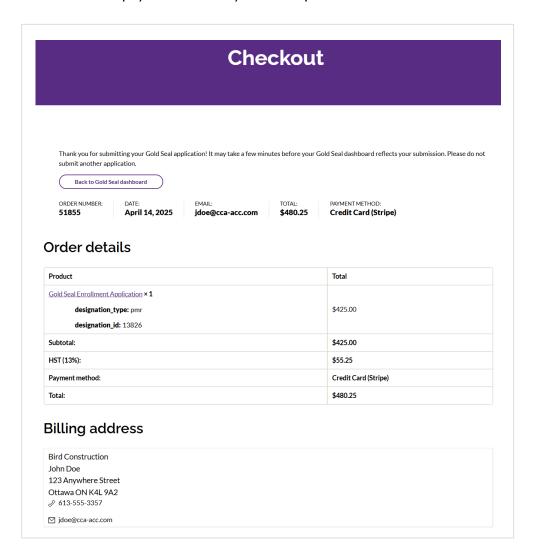
19. Once both requirements show a green checkmark, you can proceed to pay for and submit your application.



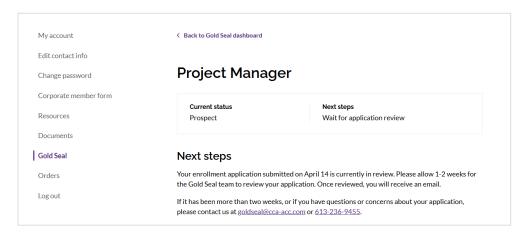
20. At the **checkout**, enter all your billing and credit card details.



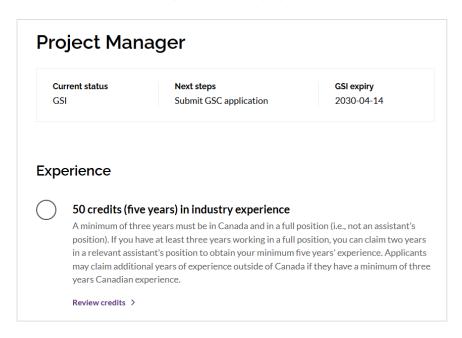
21. You will then see a payment summary with an option to return to the Gold Seal dashboard.



22. If you return to the Gold Seal dashboard, your next steps will indicate "wait for application review."



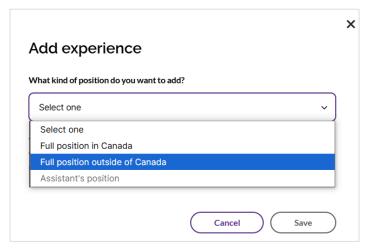
23. Once your application has been approved, the next time you log into the portal, you will see that your **current status**, **next steps and GSI expiry** have been updated.

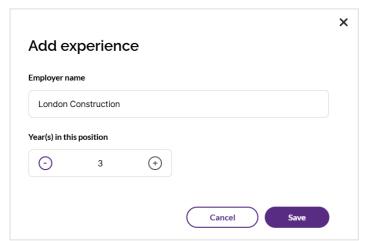


- 24. You can now scroll through each section, indicating the **credit requirements.** Alternatively, you can keep track of your credits using the downloadable <u>credit self-assessment tool</u>.
- 25. Once you have 100 credits, you can proceed with your **GSC application**.
- 26. Beginning with "Experience", enter a minimum of five years of experience up to a maximum of eight years.

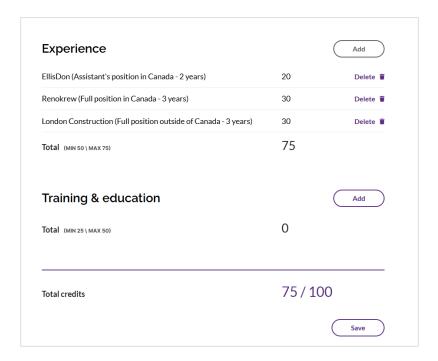


27. You can claim international experience if you have at least three years of experience in Canada.

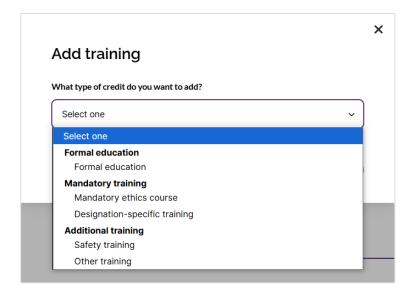


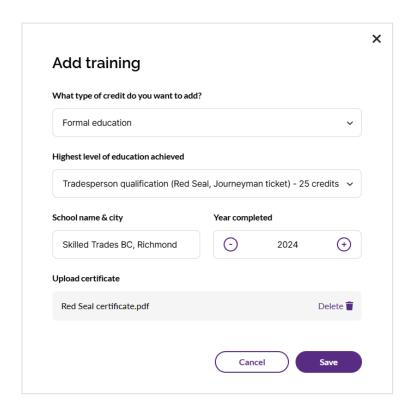


28. You have now reached the maximum number of credits in experience. Click "Save".

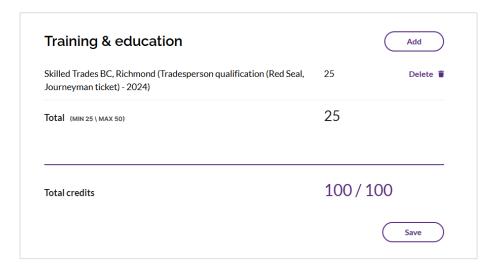


29. Next, complete the **training & education** section. Note that formal education is optional.

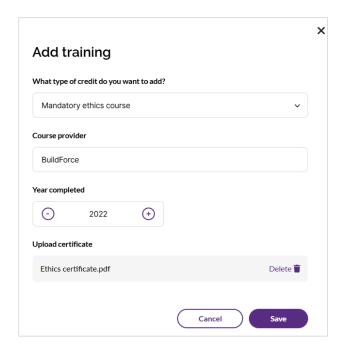


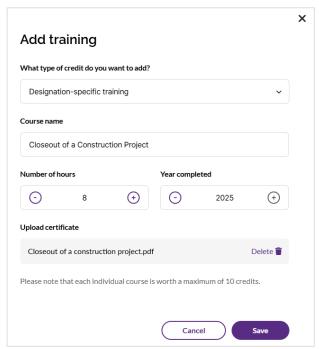


30. If you add formal education, it will automatically populate, and you will then be able to add training. Be sure to click "Save" to save your progress periodically.

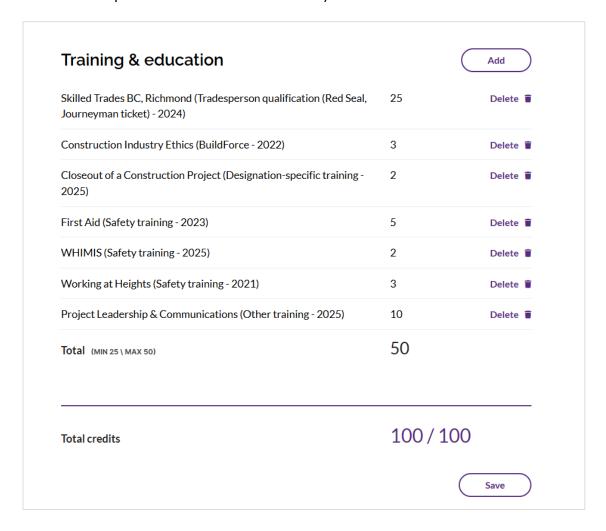


31. The next steps include adding **mandatory training** and, if more credits are required, adding **safety training and/or additional training**.

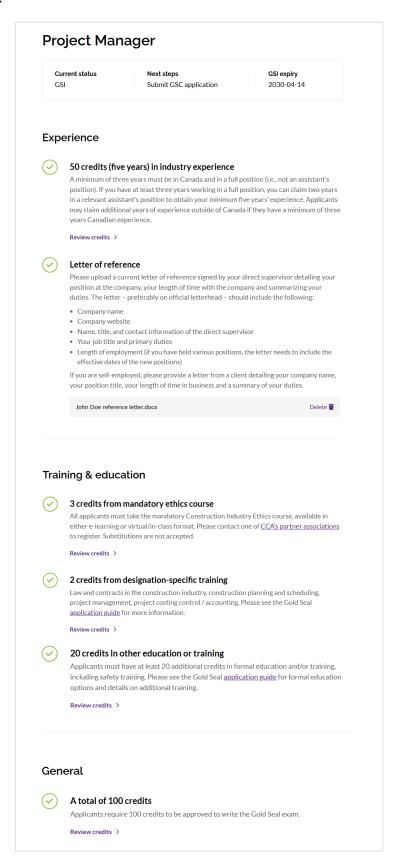




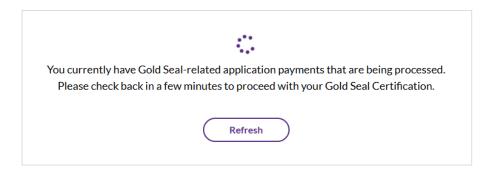
32. Once you have added all the required credits and reached 100 credits, the summary will look like the photo below. Click "Save" when you are finished.



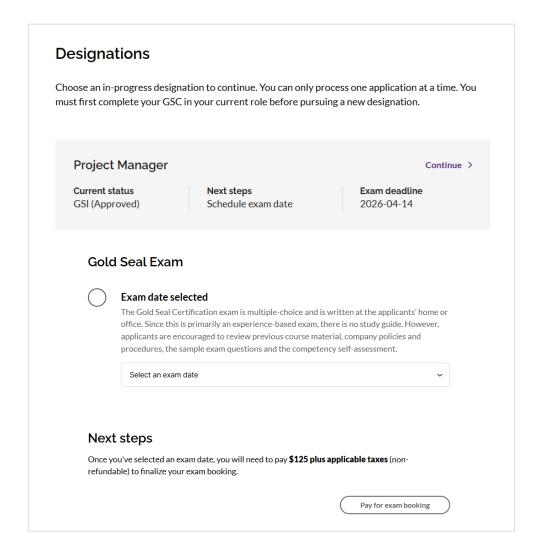
33. Once you have completed your GSC application, all the required sections will show a green checkmark.

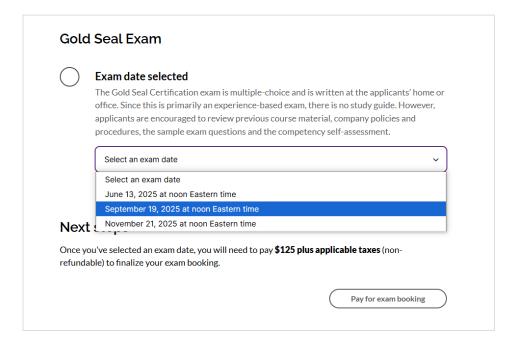


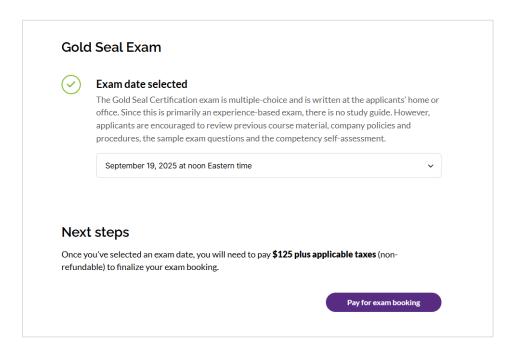
- 34. You may now pay for and submit your GSC application.
- 35. If you see the following screen after you have submitted your payment, click "Refresh".



- 36. In the dashboard, you will notice that your next steps have been updated to "wait for application review."
- 37. Once your GSC application is approved, your next step is to schedule an exam date.

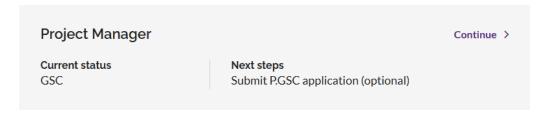




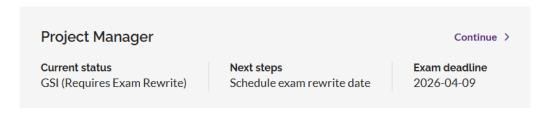


38. There will be two outcomes after you write your exam.

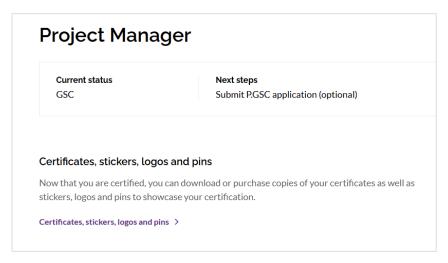
Outcome 1: Passed exam, now Gold Seal Certified

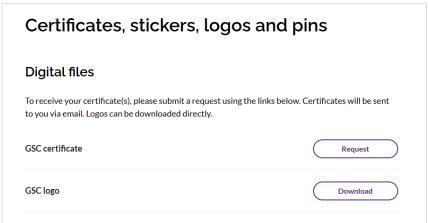


**Outcome 2:** Failed your exam with an opportunity to rewrite the exam for \$125 plus tax. Proceed by choosing a future exam date and paying for your exam rewrite application.



39. Once a GSC, you can purchase additional certificates, stickers, pins or download logos.





## Purchase physical materials Certificates are issued in an unframed $8.5 \times 11$ " format. Stickers are durable and weather-resistant, designed for hard hats, with a lifespan of 3 to 5 years. The Gold Seal lapel pins are made of antique gold metal and engraved with the GSC logo. Orders are processed in 2-3 weeks and shipped at month-end. Orders placed after the last Thursday ship the following month. GSC Certificate - \$20.00 \$20.00 GSC Sticker - \$2.00 \$4.00 O 1 ⊕ Gold Seal Pin - \$15.00 \$15.00 Subtotal \$39.00 Taxes and shipping calculated at checkout. Checkout

40. You can pursue your **Professional Gold Seal Certified (P.GSC)** one year after obtaining your GSC. The requirements for experience, training, and industry activities are listed. Proceed in the same way as the previous applications.

Experience	
	Two years of work experience Proof of having worked for the past two years, in the designation in which you were certified.  Review credits >
Traiı	ning & industry activities
$\bigcirc$	10 credits from construction-related courses within the past two years  A minimum 10 credits (one credit per three hours) from construction-related courses obtained after recieving the GSC (or since your last P.GSC renewal) is mandatory.
	Review credits >
$\bigcirc$	A total of 30 credits within the past two years  In addition to the 10 mandatory credits above, 20 credits are required from the following:  Seminars, conferences, self-directed study or professional meetings (one credit per three hours);  Involvement in community-based or charitable organizations or mentoring (one credit per three hours);  Teaching including giving presentations, seminars and workshops (two credits per hour of teaching);  Contributing to activities that improve the construction industry, such as committee work (one credit per hour).  Review credits >
The op Certific develor workin Once to this ap	otional final stage of the Gold Seal Certification Program is the Professional Gold Seal coation (PGSC). By obtaining your PGSC, you are making a statement of enhanced professional opment and recognition while letting your clients, co-workers and partners know that they are not with a capable professional, committed to the job.  The above requirements are met, you will be able to submit your PGSC application. The cost of opplication is \$125 plus applicable taxes (non-refundable). Once the PGSC application is tted, it will be reviewed by the Gold Seal team. An approval email will be sent to you within 1-2 in the pay for and submit application.

For questions, please contact goldseal@cca-acc.com or 613-236-9455 option 3.

We hope you enjoy the new portal!