



ENGINEERS &
GEOSCIENTISTS
BRITISH COLUMBIA

ENGINEER-IN-TRAINING

QUICK GUIDE TO REGISTRATION

WHAT IS ENGINEERS AND GEOSCIENTISTS BC?

Engineers and Geoscientists British Columbia is the regulatory authority for these professions in the province of BC. We set and maintain high academic, experience, and professional practice standards for all members. Only individuals licensed by Engineers and Geoscientists BC are permitted to undertake and assume responsibility for engineering and geoscience work in BC.

THE PATHWAY TO YOUR P.ENG.

The Engineer-in-Training (EIT) category of membership is for people who have completed their education and are working towards obtaining the required four years of work experience in order to obtain their Professional Engineer (P.Eng.) designation.

While registering as an EIT is not required, it can help bridge the gap between your post-secondary education and professional licensure, and provides access to systems and resources that streamline your application for your P.Eng. designation.

When you register as an EIT, you will:

- Gain the right to a restricted title. Only registered EITs can refer to themselves as such. Many companies require junior employees to possess or be eligible for EIT status.
- Gain access to members-only systems and programs.
 - Report your work experience and have it validated in real time with the online Competency Experience Reporting System.
 - Take advantage of our employment and mentoring resources.
 - Build your network by participating in local events and volunteer opportunities.



HOW TO APPLY

To become an EIT, you must:

- Graduate with an undergraduate degree (or equivalent) from an accredited four-year, full-time bachelor's program in applied science, engineering, science, or technology. If you do not have an undergraduate degree in engineering or if your program is not accredited, you may be assigned academic examinations or an interview.
- Complete an application online at egbc.ca.
- Provide proof of citizenship. This must be certified by a professional engineer, geoscientist, or notary to verify your identity.
- Request official transcripts for all post-secondary institutions you have attended. The transcripts must be sent to us directly by the post-secondary institutions.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. How long does the application process take?

- A. If you meet the academic requirements, it typically takes one to two weeks to review and approve an application. If you do not meet the academic requirements, you may be assigned examinations, in which case the process will be extended.

Q. What does it cost?

- A. The application fee is \$472.50. This fee is waived for first-time applicants who apply within 12 months of graduation. Once enrolled as an EIT, an annual membership fee of \$232.05 applies.

Q. Should I be employed when I apply?

- A. You can apply at any time. You do not need to be employed in order to apply or maintain your EIT status.

Q. Do I need to be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident?

- A. No. Anyone can apply.

Q. Can I transfer my Student Membership to EIT Membership?

- A. If you are a current or previous student member, use your existing account information to begin your application for EIT status. For every year that you were a student member, \$12.50 will be credited towards your first annual EIT membership fee (up to a maximum of \$50).



I'M AN EIT. WHAT'S NEXT?

Once you're an EIT, you can begin reporting your work experience and having it validated through the online Competency Experience Reporting System. This system enables you to identify how you meet our competency categories for registration. Four years of validated experience is required before you can apply for your P.Eng.

When you are reporting your experience, keep the following tips in mind:

- You should apply for your P.Eng. in the same field as your work experience. If these differ, you may be asked to demonstrate (usually through exams or interviews) that you have bridged the gap between your education and experience.
- Co-op and pre-graduation work (taken after your second year of university) can count towards your work experience, to a maximum of 12 months.
- International experience can count if it is relevant engineering work, and occurred under the supervision of a professional recognized by Engineers and Geoscientists BC.

- Record your experience soon after you gain it and consult your supervisors to ensure they will validate that experience. You will still have time to make changes; your experience will not be reviewed by Engineers and Geoscientists BC until you apply for your P.Eng. designation.
- You will need four references who have first-hand knowledge of your work. These individuals will validate your experience, competencies, and your readiness for professional licensure. At least one reference must be a direct supervisor and should share the same discipline of practice you are applying for. Colleagues, clients, and consultants may count as references.

Once you've completed all the required education and work experience, you can apply for your P.Eng. designation. Your P.Eng. designation allows you to take full, independent responsibility for professional engineering work.



To complete your application, you will need to:

- Take the Professional Engineering and Geoscience Practice in BC online seminar.
- Write the Professional Practice Exam. This can be taken at any time, but most applicants take it within two years of graduation.

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