



DESIGN ACADEMY

Fall 2025

WHEN?

Planning for Fall of 2025

WHERE?

Ocean Shores Convention Center

WHAT?

Design Academy is our premier Design Training event. It takes participants through the Project Development process via virtual and in person sessions by key support groups, as well as a team design project. Content includes Right of Way, Environmental, Real Estate Services, Traffic, Utilities, Bridge and Structures, Geotech, Hydraulics, and Design.

OBJECTIVES

- Network in-person
- Learn more about project development
- Prepare with pre-academy virtual classes
- Engage in hands-on activities
- Collaborate as a design team on a project

WHO?

Design Academy is recommend for design engineers, team leaders, support offices, and others interested in the design process.

WHY?

This blended learning experience has virtual instructor led pre-academy sessions and 4 days of in person training.

HOW?

Region and division management identify the students. Inform your region or division manager contact of your interest in attending Design Academy.

CONTACTS

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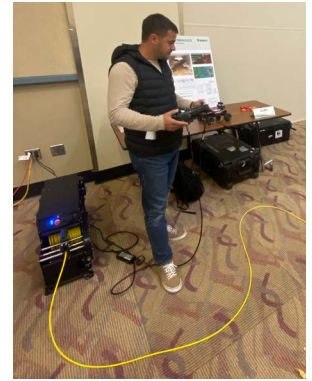
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SNEAK PEEK

There are videos of the Virtual Pre-Academy Sessions, please visit the Design Academy Library in the Learning Center. There are online recordings of the sessions from the last academy. You will only receive course credit for attending the live virtual sessions once you are registered for an academy.

WHAT WILL IT BE LIKE?

- The Design Academy experience includes virtual pre-academy classes, in person interactive sessions, and a team project that will be shared at the end. This will allow students to gain base knowledge, to interact with the subjects, and demonstrate learning through discovery and experience. The team project encourages freedom and creativity in design.
- Students will be assigned a team and a real WSDOT project location prior to the academy. Students will work on this project throughout the academy incorporating knowledge from the classes and sessions. There will be a virtual meet and greet before the academy, 8 hours working time during the academy, and an open house for teams to present their project at the end.



For general information please contact Design Trainers Dan Backman or Carol Winfrey.



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