



LEED v3 Educational Resources

With LEED v3 set to launch on April 27th, USGBC has identified several educational resources designed to facilitate the transition.

As you may be aware, LEED v3 addresses issues relevant to geographical areas or “environmental zones” within USGBC regions throughout the United States. In the South Central Region (the region that encompasses Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana), the identified environmental issues include brownfield contamination, impaired air quality, impaired water quality, landfill waste overflow, regular flooding, water shortages, soil, wind and coastal erosion, and habitat conservation. LEED v3 also contains revised point weightings designed to place the most important aspects of green building at the forefront.

Along with the technical enhancements to the LEED rating system, USGBC has put in place a new professional certification model that will make more accreditation levels available than the currently existing “LEED AP” title. The new system is separated into three educational tiers based on understanding of the LEED rating system. Within the new system, titles of “LEED Green Associate”, “LEED AP+” and “LEED AP Fellow” are attainable.

Simply follow the links below for an overview of the various LEED educational attainment levels, course catalogs and reference material, and an official timeline for the LEED v3 rollout.

[LEED Educational Program Overview \(Power Point presentation\)](#)

[Detailed FAQ with specifics on educational resources and attainment levels \(PDF\)](#)

[2009 Timeline detailing LEED v3 rollout \(PDF\)](#)

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