SITES
AP

A CREDENTIAL FOR PROFESSIONALS IN LAND DEVELOPMENT
ADVANCED KNOWLEDGE IN SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT LAND DEVELOPMENT

Administered by Green Business Certification Inc. (GBCI®), the SITES Accredited Professional, or SITES AP, credential establishes a common framework to define an individual's knowledge in creating sustainable and resilient landscapes and other outdoor spaces. SITES APs also have the skills necessary to support the SITES certification process, including participating in the design and development process, supporting and encouraging integrative design process, managing the application and certification process, and providing advocacy and education for the adoption of SITES.

Prerequisite/eligibility requirements: Candidates must be 18 years of age or older, and prior SITES project experience is recommended but not required.

Maintenance requirements: 30 CE hours + $85 renewal fee every two years.

WHY BECOME A SITES AP?

The SITES AP credential provides a professional distinction in the marketplace and is an important tool for those practicing sustainable landscape design and looking to impact the direction of land development and management. Whether you are a landscape architect or designer, ecologist, civil engineer, arborist, sustainability consultant, educator, architect, builder or developer, earning the SITES AP credential showcases your commitment to sustainable and resilient land design and development to your peers, clients and community. This credential demonstrates the belief that land has an inherent value and that it is your role to elevate its importance in the marketplace and in professional practice.

By supporting the SITES certification system, SITES APs help ensure landscapes and places provide important ecosystem services, conserve resources, create regenerative systems, foster resiliency, mitigate climate change and enhance human wellbeing while strengthening the community. SITES APs are critical to educating clients, colleagues and the community about the essential role that SITES plays in protecting and restoring the environment and the community.

The Sustainable SITES Initiative (SITES®) was created to provide a comprehensive set of criteria that is grounded in science and best practices in land design and development. As a SITES AP, you also have the capacity to participate in SITES' evolution, as it is a living document that will continually respond to the latest research and set of applications.

APPLY

▶ **APPLY ONLINE** at sustainablesites.org/sites-ap

▶ **Participants are required to take and pass the SITES AP exam — a two hour exam that is available online, or in person at test centers worldwide. If you would like to locate your nearest testing center, please visit prometric.com/gbci and click on "Locate." The exam fee is $275-$550 USD*.**
  Exam fees are based on country and membership. Visit sustainablesites.org/sites-ap to determine the exam fee in your country.

PREPARE

▶ **DOWNLOAD** the SITES AP Candidate Handbook — a must for all candidates

▶ **READ** the SITES v2 Reference Guide — the exam is based on content found here. Purchase at www.sustainablesites.org/resources

▶ **USE** this study plan to help you prep for the SITES AP exam - from the link above

▶ **TAKE** an online course through sustainablesites.org/education