

Badge FAQ



What is a Badge?

A digital badge is an electronic indicator of one's skills, performance, and achievement. Badges capitalize on technology and offer a means to "display" and validate individual achievements as well as verify technical competence through projects, programs, courses, assessments, and other activities.

What is a NOCTI SkillBadge™?

A SkillBadge is a digital badge earned through NOCTI. On September 1, 2014, NOCTI announced the launch of its College Credit Recommendation SkillBadge. Other badges are currently in development.

What is a College Credit Recommendation SkillBadge?

NOCTI's College Credit Recommendation SkillBadge is awarded to any individual meeting a 70.0 percent benchmark on any NOCTI credential recommended for college credit through the National College Credit Recommendation Service (NCCRS) (<http://www.nocti.org/nccrs.cfm>). There are no additional fees to earn a College Credit Recommendation SkillBadge.

How do I qualify for a College Credit Recommendation SkillBadge?

The process for earning a SkillBadge is simple. The first step is to sit for a NOCTI credential that has been recommended for college credit. During the log-in process to take the assessment, the individual will be asked for an email address. If the individual meets the minimum qualification (for the College Credit Recommendation Badge, a test taker must score a minimum of 70.0%), an email notification will be sent to the email address provided during login regarding the award of the college credit recommendation SkillBadge.

What is NOCTI's SkillBadge Locker?

NOCTI's SkillBadge Locker is a private password-protected site for accessing badges awarded by NOCTI.

How do I access my SkillBadge?

If an individual qualifies for a SkillBadge, an email notification will be sent to the email address provided during login with instructions for accessing the SkillBadge. The individual will access NOCTI's private password-protected SkillBadge Locker to register, view, and download/export each SkillBadge earned.

How long does it take for my SkillBadge to appear in the SkillBadge Locker?

The SkillBadge typically appears in the SkillBadge Locker within 48 hours. If an individual has received a notification email, then the badge is available to access.

How do I share my SkillBadge?

Once a SkillBadge has been posted to the SkillBadge Locker, individuals have a variety of options for sharing the badge with others. The badge can be exported to professional and social networks as well as being downloaded into PDF format.

Who can see my SkillBadge?

The individual test taker controls who can see their SkillBadge. Once a badge is shared, the metadata that is linked to the badge can be accessed by the viewer. The metadata includes things such as name of the credential, background information on the badge issuer, criteria for earning the badge and links to external standards to which the credential is aligned.

How will an employer, or any viewer, know what the badge means?

Anyone who is provided access to view the badge, will be able to "hover" over the badge to view the metadata that is linked to the badge. This includes the name of the credential, information on the badge issuer, criteria for earning the badge and links to any external standards to which the credential is linked.

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