

CIH Canada

Experienced Professional Route

Achieve our prestigious Chartered designation by demonstrating how your experience meets CIH's international standard



The Experienced Professional Route is a new means to achieve CIH's internationally recognized Chartered designation. Instead of completing online courses, participants will submit a reflective practice assignment and participate in a professional interview to showcase their knowledge and expertise.

Candidates will be required to demonstrate how their professional practice and academic experience meets the professional qualification specification for the Chartered designation and how they can evidence ethical practice that is required by the CIH code of ethics.

Why obtain a Chartered designation from CIH Canada?

CIH's Chartered designation is a badge of professionalism that tells employers, colleagues and connections that you are a committed professional, someone who:

- Can be trusted to make good decisions in an uncertain and changeable environment
- Is able to draw on existing knowledge and values to help make the right decision and adopt the correct behaviour
- Can be a leader and is someone who others can learn from

CIH's Chartered designation helps you stand out from the crowd by identifying you as a trusted professional who has achieved the highest standard in our industry.

What will I learn?

Successful applicants will already have considerable subject-matter expertise in housing and as management professionals. Therefore, the learning goals for this route are focused on reflecting upon broader leadership and professional questions and approaches. Participants will have access to a tutor and online resources focused on:

- Reflection and critical thinking
- The context for housing and relevant knowledge, skills and behaviours
- Professionalism and the role of ethics
- Professional development and future learning needs

After the conclusion of the program, Chartered members maintain their status by meeting their annual CPD (Continuous Professional Development) requirements.

Are you eligible?

Applicants need to demonstrate that they have knowledge and experience in housing. Please ensure you meet one of the three eligibility routes below:

1. You have five years of experience working as a senior manager in a housing organization.
2. You've worked in housing or housing-related sectors for five years, two of which are at management level, and you have:
 - A degree in a related area of study (see below); or
 - Achieved the Certified Housing Professional designation – CertCIH
3. You've worked in housing or housing-related sectors at the management level for at least three years and you are a fully qualified member of another professional body.

Examples of relevant degrees and professional body membership include:

- Housing
- Social Work
- Public Policy/Administration
- Business/Management
- Planning
- Architecture
- Building Science/Engineering

Candidates who do not have the relevant experience or qualifications are encouraged to take the online program appropriate to their situation.

How will I be evaluated?

You'll be required to show how your professional practice and academic experience meets the criteria for Chartered designation by:

- Preparing a 5,000 word reflective-practice assignment that is relevant to your role and organization. It will include the development of three case studies that demonstrates your professional ability and experience in housing policy, service delivery and management
- Submitting a Continuous Professional Development plan
- Participating in a professional interview that will assess your experience, reflective ability, and understanding of ethical issues

Learning Support

- Participants can access a tutor and online materials dedicated to this route to Chartered membership

Costs

- \$2,200 plus applicable taxes
- CIH Canada professional membership

Experienced Professional Route Dates

Successful applicants will have four months from their start date to successfully complete the program criteria.

Application due by:	Start Date:
January 17, 2019	February 14, 2019
April 4, 2019	May 2, 2019
August 29, 2019	September 26, 2019
October 31, 2019	November 28, 2019

How to Apply

Complete an Experienced Professional Route application form and send it to: cihcanada_info@cih.org



Questions? Want to learn more?

If you would like more information, or have a question, please let us know! You can contact CIH Canada by email at cihcanada_info@cih.org or visit our website at www.cihcanada.ca

