



ASCENT Center for Technical Knowledge is Selected as an Autodesk Authorized Publisher

New Program Recognizes ASCENT's Long-Term Commitment to the Development of Industry Leading Autodesk Courseware

Owings Mills, MD — March 3, 2016 — [Rand Worldwide](#) (OTCBB: RWWI), a global leader in providing technology solutions to organizations with engineering design and information technology requirements, today announced that its courseware division, [ASCENT – Center for Technical Knowledge](#) has been recognized as part of an elite group of publishers of Autodesk-related books, courseware, and training materials, receiving the enhanced designation of Autodesk Authorized Publisher. All new releases of Autodesk-related publications from ASCENT will now carry the prestigious Autodesk Authorized Publisher Program (APP) badge.

“ASCENT is proud to see our relationship with Autodesk continue to evolve through participation in the Autodesk Authorized Publisher Program,” says Paul Burden, director of product development, ASCENT. “We have long demonstrated our commitment to increasing the productivity of Autodesk software users with over 60 training guide titles for more than 20 Autodesk software products. Our products continue to be chosen by Autodesk Training Centers for the delivery of instructor-led training, by individuals for self-learning, and by companies for ongoing development of their employees the world over. We look forward to continuing our development of leading learning and training resources under this new program from Autodesk.”

Publishers granted Autodesk Authorized Publisher status are among a select and small group recognized for their development of high-quality learning materials. To participate in the Program they must meet a strict set of requirements set by Autodesk including: a minimum volume of published content; adherence to learning objectives, and; specific technical and quality requirements. Quality and relevancy have always been a priority for the authoring staff of ASCENT, who have backgrounds in engineering and architecture, instructional design, and have achieved applicable Autodesk Professional Certification related to the software tools with which they work.

“Autodesk is pleased to have ASCENT as a partner in our elite Authorized Publisher Program,” says Tom Williams, director of Autodesk Knowledge Network. “ASCENT content has been a tremendous resource to our customers and training partners for over 20 years. Their high quality, in-depth courseware provides the knowledge to help professionals in the manufacturing, AEC and civil engineering industries enhance their skills and work more efficiently with Autodesk’s software tools.”

ASCENT’s APP offering includes Autodesk Training Guides, [Official Certification Preparation Books](#), and Instructor Tools. Through their partnership with fellow APP member, CADLearning, ASCENT also offers self-paced learning options, [video-enhanced eBooks](#) and [video-enhanced eLearning](#), which help to address all learning styles.

About ASCENT

[ASCENT- Center for Technical Knowledge](#) develops professional training courseware and technical documentation for engineering applications including those from Autodesk, Dassault Systèmes and PTC. ASCENT is an Authorized Publisher and Developer of Autodesk curriculum. ASCENT training guides, eBooks and Instructor Tools are available to educational institutions and training centers, individuals and corporations and can be purchased directly from the [ASCENT eStore](#) (for volume sales, contact an ASCENT representative). For more information visit the [ASCENT website](#) and follow ASCENT on Twitter at [@ASCENT_CTK](#).

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