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### Online Advanced Diploma Aids Building Design Skills Development

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An online advanced diploma offered by Southbank TAFE is set to transform the way the building design industry upgrades its skills, Employment, Training and Industrial Relations Minister Tom Barton said today.

Mr Barton said the Advanced Diploma of Building Design and Project Administration allows those already working as building designers, or as part of a project management team, to upgrade their skills without having to attend classes.

The online program uses 'real-life projects' to upgrade skills in the design, management, presentation and documentation of a major building project," Mr Barton said.

The advanced diploma program was created with the busy design professional in mind.

"Time restrictions and distance from Southbank TAFE are no longer a problem as online delivery allows students to study when and where they choose," Mr Barton said.

"The program also allows students to study at their own pace to fit in with busy lifestyles."

Mr Barton said an added advantage of the program was that successful completion fulfils the educational component of the Queensland Building Services Authority (BSA) open licence requirements.

"As well as industry-relevant training, students receive the added benefit of educational and mentoring support from Southbank TAFE's teachers who have close links to business and industry," he said.

"The result is better educated building industry professionals who are able to offer innovative solutions which create an improved built environment for the community. "

For more information about the online Advanced Diploma of Building Design and Project Administration call the Southbank TAFE Client Service Centre on 13 72 48.