Frequently Asked Questions LDA

1. Who are the instructors for the Land Development Academy Masterclasses?

Masterclasses will be delivered by Carina Guzmán, a renowned land development expert and CEO of Creative Dev Ventures as well as other leading industry experts, consultants and professionals.

2. What format are the Masterclasses in?

The masterclasses are delivered in a pre-recorded, on-demand format. This allows you to learn at your own pace and revisit materials as needed.

3. What level of experience is required for the Accelerator Masterclass?

The Accelerator Masterclass is designed for aspiring land developers with little to no prior experience. It provides a clear and accessible introduction to the core concepts and processes.

4. What topics are covered in the Accelerator Masterclass?

The Accelerator Masterclass offers a comprehensive introduction to land development. It covers all core concepts and processes, including land acquisition, market analysis, feasibility studies, zoning and entitlements, design and engineering, construction, project financing, exit strategies and more.

5. How is the Accelerator Masterclass structured?

The Accelerator masterclass is structured into comprehensive modules that cover the entire land development process, from initial assessment to project completion. Each module is designed to build upon the last, ensuring a step-by-step learning experience. You'll have access to video lectures, case studies, interactive exercises, and downloadable resources to reinforce your understanding and apply what you've learned in real-world scenarios.

6. How long does it take to complete the Accelerator Masterclass?

The time commitment for the Accelerator Masterclass will depend on your learning pace. The on-demand format allows you to adjust the schedule to your needs. However, expect a comprehensive curriculum designed to provide a thorough understanding of land development.

7. How in-depth are the Advanced Masterclasses?

The Advanced Masterclasses delve deeper into specific, complex aspects of land development. These classes are designed for seasoned professionals looking to refine their skillset. They go beyond basic principles by building upon the foundational modules of the Accelerator Masterclass and are designed to equip you with the knowledge and skills to tackle more sophisticated challenges and projects. Topics will include underwriting the deal, navigating environmental regulations, intricacies of mixed-use development, navigating the legal process, Development Management, Cost consulting, Build forms, Subdivision development, and more.

8. Do the Advanced Masterclasses cover specific geographic regions or is the focus more of a "a universal approach"?

It's a mix. While some Advanced Masterclasses explore region-specific regulations and considerations, most focus on universally applicable principles in land development. We always recommend checking local regulations relevant to your projects.

9. Can I apply the lessons from the Masterclasses to real-world projects immediately?

Absolutely! All lessons are designed to be actionable and are complemented by real-world case studies and practical tools like checklists and pro-formas, enabling you to apply what you learn directly to your projects.

10. Are there any assignments or assessments associated with the Masterclasses?

The Land Development Academy does not include mandatory assignments. However, the curriculum will incorporate quizzes and exercises to reinforce learning objectives.

11. What kind of resources are included with the membership?

In addition to the masterclasses, your membership grants access to exclusive resources. This includes real-world case studies to learn from practical examples,

checklists and proformas to streamline your workflow, and frameworks to guide your decision-making.

12. Can I download the course materials for offline access?

While core elements like videos will not be downloadable, the Academy will offer downloadable resources like checklists and case studies for offline use.

13. Can I share the course materials with others outside my membership?

The Land Development Academy content is protected by copyright and intended for members only. Sharing with others would violate the terms of service.

14. Will the course materials be updated over time?

The Land Development Academy is committed to providing the most current information. The curriculum and resources will be reviewed and updated periodically to reflect evolving industry practices and regulations.

15. Is there a community forum for members to interact with each other?

Yes, there is a community forum. Our academy features a dedicated online forum where members can connect, share insights, and possibly collaborate on projects. This interactive platform allows you to engage in discussions and exchange ideas with fellow land developers. Whether you're troubleshooting a challenge, seeking feedback on a project, or exploring new opportunities, the community forum is an invaluable resource for networking and learning from peers and seasoned professionals alike.

16. Is there a recommended order for taking the masterclasses?

Yes. If you're new to land development, start with the Accelerator Masterclass to build a solid foundation in the basics. This prepares you for the Advanced Masterclasses, which delve deeper into specific topics. Experienced developers, however, can directly select masterclasses that align with their current needs or challenges.

17. Does the membership offer access to live Masterclasses or interactive sessions with instructors?

The learning material provided focuses on pre-recorded masterclasses. There may be future plans to incorporate live elements. Stay tuned for updates on the official launch.

18. How can I ensure the course materials are relevant to my specific development goals?

The comprehensive Accelerator Masterclass will equip you with a broad foundational knowledge. For targeted learning, explore the Advanced Masterclass descriptions and choose those aligned with your specific development goals (e.g., focus on residential development or delve into sustainable practices, etc.).

19. Is there a syllabus or outline available for each masterclass?

The Land Development Academy membership portal will provide detailed syllabi for each masterclass, outlining the specific topics covered and learning objectives. Look for these resources upon enrollment.

20. How does the curriculum address the latest trends and innovations in land development?

Our curriculum is continually updated to include the latest industry innovations and trends. Masterclasses feature current topics such as technological advancements in construction, the impact of governmental policies, and emerging market opportunities.

21. Can I access the courses and masterclasses at any time?

Yes, once you enroll, you have 24/7 access to all courses and masterclasses. You can learn at your own pace, whenever and wherever it's convenient for you.