Digital Credentials Consortium

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Digital Credentials Consortium Mission

Our mission is to create a trusted, distributed, and shared infrastructure that will become the standard for issuing, storing, displaying, and verifying academic credentials, digitally.



Get the whitepaper: bit.ly/DCCWhitepaper

DCC Founding Members

Delft University of Technology (The Netherlands)

Georgia Institute of Technology (USA)

Harvard University (USA)

Hasso Plattner Institute, University of Potsdam (Germany)

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (USA)

McMaster University (Canada)

Tecnológico De Monterrey (Mexico)

Technical University of Munich (Germany)

University of California at Berkeley (USA)

University of California, Irvine (USA)

University of Milano-Bicocca (Italy)

University of Toronto (Canada)

DCC Guiding Principles

Learners

- Learners retain primary control over their credentials.
- Learners' consent is required for issuance of digital credentials
- Learners decide to whom they grant access.
- Barriers to receiving and managing credentials are minimal to enable broad participation.

Issuers

- Issuers control to whom they issue credentials, the particular achievement that the credential represents, and which credential options are available to the learner.
- Issuers can revoke credentials according to their institution's policies.
- Barriers to issuing credentials are minimal to enable broad and diverse participation.

Trust: Everyone is able to review how the infrastructure and processes work.

- Trust in the integrity of the credentials is established cryptographically.
- Credentials can be verified without consulting the original issuer

Verifiable Credentials Ecosystem



"National Organization"

A **DCC-compatible Credential** is a W3C Verifiable Credential (tamper-evident credential where the authorship can be cryptographically verified) that meets the technical and policy specifications adopted by the DCC.

MIT xPRO Pilot

MIT xPRO

MIT xPRO offers online professional education programs designed to help working professionals build their skills on the job.

Programs and courses include:

- <u>Systems Engineering</u>
- Quantum Computing
- Leadership Principles for Scientists, Engineers and Researchers
- Big Data, Additive Manufacturing, Machine Learning

Issues course and program certificates.

~50,000 learners, 94% of whom earned certificates.

Highlights

- Learner imports into wallet on completion of course/program
- Uses Verifiable Credentials and schema.org EOCred types





MIT and U.S. Department of Education Digital Credential Project

MIT-ED Digital Credential Project Goals

- U.S. Department of Education contract to MIT to develop an open Student Wallet draft standard and implementation
 - MIT's work builds on DCC activities and is a reference implementation of them
- Deliverables
 - Open Source (Draft) Standard for Student Wallet (March 2021)
 - Reference Implementation of the Open Standard (April 2021)
 - 2-3 higher education pilots ("deployments"), support, and analysis (May-September 2021)



Current Status

- Deployment to app stores imminent
- Core flows to request/receive with proof-ofcontrol identifier
- Contributing to Universal Wallet Interop Specification and Reference Implementation
- Compatibility with a Broad Range of Digital Wallets

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Georgia Tech LMS Issuer (LTI)

LMS Issuer

- Shout out to Stuart Freeman!
 - ... and front-end support from Chris Yang!
- GitHub repos: cred-admin and lti-issuer
- IMS Global:
 - Iti-issuer adheres to the LTI standard
 - Credentials are Open Badges wrapped in VC
- Leverages past work building a Blockcerts Admin application
- Upcoming pilots will also use the Open Source Wallet
- UX research (Shout out to Sonam Singh):
 - Fall 2020 conducted interviews with faculty and students using wireframes
 - Spring 2021 usability tests with an MVP



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W3C Verifiable Credentials for Education

About the W3C CCG

- Standards Incubation
- Broader charter, draft standards, but not SDO
 - Create draft standards and work with SDOs that can help bring the specs to maturity
 - Solidify with reference implementations, use cases
- Responsible for
 - Verifiable Credentials
 - Decentralized Identifiers
 - Universal Wallet Interop Spec
 - $\circ \quad \text{And more} \quad$

W3C CCG VC-EDU Approach

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	related standards in educational use	VC in Education	Provide baseline interoperable standard	 Europass
	cases	Standards	for VC-Ed; ideally other VC-Ed standards should be extensions of this.	
0	Bridge to existing educational (and workforce) data standards		Cause minimum disruption to existing large-scale implementations.	
0	Conceptual alignment	Credential System	Allow for these standards to be	IMS Open Badges
0	How decentralized identity methods	Standards	semantically interoperable with VCEd standards	PESC CLR
	can be used with existing standards	ing standards		HROpen
	and systems	Vocabulary Standards	Use existing vocabularies from these	• CTDL
Curr	ent work items		standards if and when they are suitable for purpose.	schema.orgEuropass Code
0	VC-EDU Use Cases			Lists
0	VC-EDU Models	Best Practices / Principles Standards	Use these to inform our approach in line with best practices and possibly enrich best practice.	ILR/LER Wrapper

Questions?

Backup

Envelope/Payload

