IMS Global Learning Consortium

IMS Mission

*To advance technology that can affordably scale and improve educational participation and attainment*

Non-profit member organization of 430+ educational institutions and technology suppliers

Improving data interoperability through **open standards**

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2017 – A HUGE Year for Digital Credentials!

Open Badges standard moved to IMS

IMS hosts quarterly online Open Badges Community meetings

Standards published to support competencies

1. Open Badges
2. Extended Transcript
3. Competencies & Academic Standards Exchange (CASE)

IMS will begin to certify Open Badges compliant platforms by end of 2017
IMS Vision for Digital Credentials

**GOALS**

**LEARNING PATHWAYS**

**VERIFIED ACHIEVEMENTS**
IMS Vision for Digital Credentials

**GOALS**
- Job Opportunities
- Personal Growth and Development

**LEARNING PATHWAYS**
- Formal Curricula
- Informal Pathways

**VERIFIED ACHIEVEMENTS**
- Academic
- Co-curricular
- Career Skills
Digital Credentials are for Sharing

• Learner’s knowledge, skills and abilities are their valuable assets to leverage and to

• **Share** with the learner, other institutions and critically, employers

• Modern linked-data structures can be **mined** in support of ‘talent search and acquisition’ (pursuant to learner’s privacy controls)
Vision: Four Digital Credential Types

Applicable Technology Standards

Open Badges
Extended Transcript*
Learning Pathways
Personal Achievement Records

Bold items are existing published standards, others are underway.

*The Extended Transcript is also known as a Comprehensive Student Record (CSR) or Digital Learning Record.
Open Badges are a special type of digital badge

- **Proven** vehicle for communicating skills
- **Portable** and controllable by the learner
- **Secure and Verifiable** (via automated means: e.g. http and Blockchain)
- Capable of representing high quality credentials like extended transcripts
Save the Date

2018 Summit on Digital Credentials
Feb 27-28
Scottsdale, AZ (Arizona State Univ.)

Building Employer and Educator Partnerships:
Using Digital Credentials to Create Scale in the Supply-Demand of Skills
Get Involved with IMS

• Check out all the IMS activities at imsglobal.org
• Consider joining as a member
• Get involved with technical or non-technical workgroups

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