NYC GREEN CODES
LEGISLATION AT A GLANCE

GCTF Proposal
Enhance Code Training for Architects & Engineers

In Progress

Summary
With the adoption of the 2008 New York City Construction Codes, along with regular revisions and the addition of new green provisions, the city's building codes are continuously changing. It is important that the city informs building professionals of all code changes and ensures that training is provided so that practitioners can comply with new requirements.

Code training was developed and delivered by Urban Green Council, AIA New York, Department of Buildings, and others. The Mayor’s Office also helped form Green Light New York, a nonprofit organization that will provide training on lighting design and associated code requirements.

New Requirements or Changes
“Cracking The Energy Code,” a course developed by Urban Green Council, delivered by AIA New York, and funded by NYSERDA, is being offered 65 times between October 2011 and November 2012. The 4-hour course covered the structure of the New York State Energy Conservation Construction Code (upon which the New York City code is based), the various compliance paths within the code, and an overview of each code chapter. In addition, the Department of Buildings developed a 2-day code training that was offered twice to the general public at Cooper Union.

In 2010, the Mayor’s Office helped to form Green Light New York whose purpose is to develop a lighting resource center to provide training on lighting design and related codes to architects, engineers, and other lighting designers.

Enforcement
Not applicable. There are no education requirements beyond existing professional continuing education.

Implementation
Not applicable.