

RICS APC MOCK INTERVIEWS

Real Panel Experience | Confidence Building | APC Success

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APC-Aligned
Assessment



Empowering Built Environment Professionals

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ABOUT ACL ACADEMY

WHO WE ARE

ACL Academy is a modern training platform dedicated to developing industry-ready professionals through practical, real-world learning in construction and the built environment. Founded by a Chartered professional with extensive Middle East experience, ACL Academy bridges the gap between academic knowledge and industry practice through hands-on training, real project scenarios, and digital workflows.

OUR VISION

To become a leading global platform that transforms built environment professionals by integrating real industry practice with advanced digital and AI-driven solutions.

OUR MISSION

To equip students and professionals with practical, job-ready skills across the built environment by delivering training that reflects real project environments, enhanced with modern tools, digital workflows, and Artificial Intelligence.

WHY CHOOSE ACL ACADEMY?

Industry Experts in the Lecture Room

Every module is delivered by active construction professionals with real world experience — not academics reading from textbooks.

Practical, Project-Based Learning

You work through real documents, real BOQs, real payment applications and real contract scenarios drawn from live construction projects.

Specific Contract Knowledge

Full coverage of FIDIC, NEC and JCT contracts, procurement practices, and the commercial structures used by leading regional developers.

Interview & Career Preparation

The programme concludes with dedicated interview coaching and a live mock interview session - so you leave job-ready, not just course-complete.

RICS-Aligned Training Standards

Course content, competency framework, and assessment approach are designed to align with RICS professional standards and APC competency requirements.

Trusted by Professionals Across the Gulf

Our graduates are working as QS professionals across the UAE, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman, and Sri Lanka.

MEET YOUR ASSESSORS



AFRATH MAHMOOD

MRICS, MAIQS, CQS

Senior Cost and Commercial Manager

Saudi Arabia

14+

Yrs Exp

4

Countries

MSc in Construction Project Management

BSc (Hons) in Quantity Surveying

HND in Civil Engineering (SLIATE)

Afrath Mahmood is an accomplished, RICS-chartered commercial professional with over 14 years of elite industry experience spanning Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Qatar, and Sri Lanka. Currently driving high-value commercial strategies for one of Saudi Arabia's leading real estate developers, he brings practical, cutting-edge expertise to the assessment panel.

As an active RICS mentor, Afrath bridges the gap between complex contract theory and real-world execution, equipping the next generation of Quantity Surveyors with the skills required to succeed.

◆ Pre & Post Contract Administration

◆ Commercial Management

◆ Value Engineering

◆ RICS APC Mentoring



FAYAS ABDUSSAMAD

MRICS

Senior Cost Manager

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15+

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3

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BSc (Hons) in Quantity Surveying

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Fayas Abdussamad is an accomplished, RICS-chartered commercial professional with 15 years of robust international experience across Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and Sri Lanka. As a Senior Cost Manager in Saudi Arabia, Fayas brings a deep, practical understanding of commercial management, cost control, and contract administration on major regional developments.

Renowned for his expertise in professional development, Fayas specialises in demystifying the RICS pathway, successfully guiding APC candidates toward achieving their chartered status. His approach combines strategic best practices with hands-on mentorship.

◆ Cost Control & Management

◆ Contract Administration

◆ RICS APC Pathway Coaching

◆ Commercial Strategy



ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

RICS APC Mock Interviews

Preparing You for the Real APC Panel — Not Just the Theory

The RICS APC is one of the most rigorous professional assessments in the built environment. Passing it is not simply about knowing your competencies, it is about thinking clearly under pressure, structuring your answers with precision, and demonstrating professional judgement in real time. Many candidates are technically strong but struggle in the interview room itself. ACL Academy's RICS APC Mock Interview Program is designed specifically to close that gap.

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Full Mock Interviews

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Different Panel Approaches

100%

APC Panel Format Aligned

01 Real Panel Conditions

Every mock interview is conducted in a format that mirrors the actual RICS APC panel with structured timing, cross-competency questioning, and the same professional pressure you will face on assessment day. You train in the conditions you will be assessed in.

02 Progressive Improvement

The 3 mock interviews are not repetitions; each one is carefully designed with a different questioning style. You progressively build competency, close identified gaps, and arrive at your final readiness assessment fully prepared and confident.

03 Expert Feedback & Coaching

After every mock interview, you receive a detailed written feedback report covering your strengths, areas to improve, how to structure better answers, and exactly what the assessors are looking for giving you a clear, actionable roadmap to success.



5 Key Features

WHAT MAKES OUR MOCK INTERVIEWS UNIQUE?

The 5 Key Features on what sets ACL Academy's RICS APC Mock Interview Program apart, built around real assessment conditions, expert coaching, and a structured approach that gives you the best possible chance of passing.

01

Different Interview Styles in Every Session

No two mock interviews are the same. Each session uses a deliberately different questioning approach - competency-based, scenario-driven, and rapid-fire panel style, so you are never caught off-guard or over-familiar in your real APC interview.

- ◆ Structured competency questions
- ◆ Scenario and advisory questioning
- ◆ Rapid-fire panel challenges
- ◆ You are never surprised on APC day

02

Real APC Assessment Experience

Every session replicates the actual conditions of an RICS APC panel - the timing, the professional setting, the cross-competency flow of questions, and the level of pressure you will experience. Train where you will perform.

- ◆ Panel-style interview setup
- ◆ Time pressure and structured flow
- ◆ Levels 1, 2 & 3 competencies tested
- ◆ Same conditions as the real APC

03

Detailed Written Feedback Report

After every mock interview, you receive a comprehensive written report - not just verbal feedback. It covers your strengths, areas that need improvement, how to structure stronger answers, and a clear roadmap to your next session.

- ◆ Strengths and performance highlights
- ◆ Areas for improvement identified
- ◆ Structured answer guidance
- ◆ Clear roadmap to the next session

04

Progressive Improvement Approach

The 3 interviews are a deliberate journey, not repetitions. You identify gaps, work on them, test your improvement, and arrive at your final readiness check knowing exactly where you stand and what you are capable of.

- ◆ Session 1: Identify gaps and baseline
- ◆ Session 2: Improve and apply learning
- ◆ Session 3: Test final readiness
- ◆ Interview-ready by the end

05

Confidence & Professional Delivery

APC success depends on how you deliver - not just what you know. We coach you to speak clearly and professionally, structure answers like a Chartered Surveyor, and handle difficult and unexpected questions without losing composure.

- ◆ Clear, professional communication
- ◆ Chartered Surveyor answer structure
- ◆ Handle unexpected questions calmly
- ◆ Delivery coaching - not just content



DETAILED FEEDBACK, IMPROVEMENT & WHY THIS MATTERS

RICS APC is not about memorising answers - it is about thinking, structuring, and delivering under pressure. This module explains the feedback process and why our approach gives you a genuine competitive advantage.

After Every Session: Your Feedback Report

Within 3 business days of each mock interview, you receive a detailed written report - structured so you know exactly what to work on before your next session. No vague impressions, just clear, actionable guidance.

Strengths & Performance Highlights

We identify what you did well - the competencies you explained clearly, the answers that showed professional depth, and the moments where you demonstrated genuine Chartered Surveyor thinking.

Areas for Improvement

Every gap is identified specifically, which competency, which level, and what kind of answer would have scored higher. You leave knowing precisely what to prepare before your next session or the real panel.

Answer Structure Coaching

We show you how to restructure your answers using frameworks that assessors expect situation, action, result, reflection. Clear, concise, confident delivery that satisfies the panel every time.

WHY THIS MATTERS

RICS APC candidates who fail often have the technical knowledge — but not the interview delivery. Our mock interview program is the bridge between knowing your competencies and being assessed as a Chartered Surveyor.

 Think like an assessor — understand exactly what the panel wants to hear

 Answer with clarity — structure every response with precision and confidence

 Perform under pressure — stay professional when questions get difficult

PREPARE. PRACTICE. PASS.

By the time you complete all three mock interviews, you will have been assessed under real APC panel conditions, received expert written feedback after every session, and built the confidence and delivery skills needed to perform at your best on assessment day.

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