



We are pleased to announce that IJCAHPO's core certification examinations were approved for college credit equivalency by the American Council on Education (ACE CREDIT®).

The ACE CREDIT recommendation service is applicable for certifications received between: March 1, 2019 through June 30, 2025. ACE CREDIT evaluated and recommended college credit as follows:

- √ COA – 12 semester hours in the lower-division baccalaureate/associate degree category
- √ COT – 18 semester hours in the lower-division baccalaureate/associate degree category
- √ COMT – 15 semester hours in the upper-division baccalaureate degree category

ACE CREDIT Questions and Answers

1. What were the previous dates of ACE CREDIT recommendations being accepted? Can someone still use those dates to claim college credit?

The ACE CREDIT previously approved college credit recommendation for certifications received from January 1, 1997 through January 31, 2008 and December 1, 2014 through February 28, 2019. If you received your COA, COT, or COMT certification during that time period, you may submit a request for a transcript to ACE CREDIT.

2. If someone is currently certified, but not within the dates being accepted, can they retest, pass the examination and claim college credit?

Yes, you may submit an application to retest in lieu of credits for recertification. The date you pass the exam may be used for submission to the ACE CREDIT.

3. Would this apply to anyone who recertifies or only to NEW certificants?

This applies to new certification dates ONLY, not the dates of recertification. However, you may take the examination in lieu of credits for recertification and then the date you pass the examination may be used for submission to ACE CREDIT.

4. Where can I learn more about ACE CREDIT?

Please visit <https://www.acenet.edu/National-Guide/Pages/Seeking-Credit.aspx>.

5. What are the steps necessary to obtain these credits?

You may request an ACE CREDIT transcript through Credly's Acclaim Platform. To begin the process, please contact the IJCAHPO Certification Department at 800-284-3937, option 2, or cert@jcahpo.org and request a Credly digital badge.