Continuing Certification Requirements (CCR)
Changes, Controversy, and Challenges

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The Ouellette Group
Agenda

• PMI Certification Suite
• What’s New
• Continuing Certification Requirement (CCR) Program Update
1997
31,333 Total Members. 6,119 Active Certifications
Representing 96 Countries

- 95% Membership 93% PMPs
- 4% Membership 3% PMPs
- 0.75% Membership 0.5% PMPs
- 0.25% Membership 3.5% PMPs
2015
460,973 Total Members. 709,236 Active Certifications
In Nearly Every Country in the World

61% Membership
48% PMPs

15% Membership
13% PMPs

7% Membership
5% PMPs

17% Membership
34% PMPs

52% are outside North America!
PMI’S SUITE OF CERTIFICATIONS
Certification Development Process

PMI Credential Life Cycle

Step 1: Market Research
- Survey of global project professionals
- Conducted every 3-5 years or in the event of a new credential being introduced
- Identifies knowledge, skills, and tasks related to role
- Leads to Examination Specification

Step 2: Examination Specification
- Incorporates results from the role delineation study
- Provides blueprint for exam content
- Links test items to the job role

Step 3: Exam Development
- Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) from around the globe holding specific credentials write test questions
- SMEs review test questions for accuracy, fairness, and clarity

Step 4: Credential Exam is Piloted
- Computer-and paper-based exams are administered worldwide
- Candidates take the exam in specified timeframe
- PMI works with SMEs and analysis of statistical data to determine exam passing score

Step 5: A Credential is Released
- Candidates who pass the pilot exam become credential holders

Step 6: Continued Credential Care
- Exam development sessions occur on an ongoing basis to replenish test question pool
- SMEs review statistical data to ensure questions are still accurate, fair, and statistically sound
- In the event that a credential becomes ISO accredited, annual audits are conducted to maintain compliance
### Valid and Reliable Way to Assess Competence

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<th>A minimum number of contact hours in education are required.</th>
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<td>A minimum number of hours that are aligned with specific project/program/portfolio management (PPPM) tasks are required.</td>
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<td>A scenario-based multiple choice examination format is used and provides a highly reliable way to assess PPPM competence.</td>
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<td>PMI’s Continuing Certification Requirements (CCR).</td>
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PMI goes beyond testing to assess its certification candidates using the 5E’s of Project/Program/Portfolio Management Competence
WHAT’S NEW WITH CERTIFICATION
PMP Update

• Updated PMP exam
  – Date change: 1 Nov 2015  →  11 Jan 2016
  – Ongoing communications deployed throughout the year
  – Check www.pmi.org/exams for more info

• What’s changing?
  – 8 new tasks
  – Slight shift in domain level weights
  – Language modification to many existing tasks
  – Incorporation of more business, strategy, leadership concepts
PMP Named Top Paying Certification

- PMP listed as #4 top paying certification by IT training provider Global Knowledge

Top 5

1. Certified in Risk and Information Systems Control (CRISC)
2. Certified Information Security Manager (CISM)
3. Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP)
4. Project Management Professional (PMP®)
5. Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA)

2015 Salary Report By Global Knowledge
The PMP Credential Matters

In the 2013 PMI Salary Survey:

- Virtually all countries have higher salaries for PMP credential holders
- Four countries have > 30% salary difference for PMP credential holders

In the 2015 PMI Salary Survey:

- All countries have higher salaries for PMP credential holders
- Switzerland, the USA, and Australia are the top salaries at 130, 111, and 110K respectively
- South Africa shows a 47% salary increase for those with the PMP credential
- In nearly all countries the median salary steadily increases with those holding the PMP
- In Taiwan and Saudi Arabia, the median salary of those credentialed for 10 years or more is more than double that of those certified 5 or fewer years

PgMP Update

- Effective November 2013, removed the Multi-Rater Assessment (MRA) portion of evaluation process
- Reduced examination fees to account for MRA removal
- Volume of paid applications increased 26% YOY since November 2013 changes
CAPM Update

• Making CAPM more accessible
  – Delivery of exam changed to larger Prometric channel approximately four years ago to expand reach
  – Prometric has gradually begun to sunset this larger channel which means that CAPM (and the PMI-ACP) will eventually move back into the traditional Prometric channel that delivers the PMP later in the year
  – Goal to make the certification widely accessible to promote foundational knowledge of project management
  – Exploring additional ways to broaden the ease of access of this certification
PMI-ACP Update

- Launch in Mainland China
  - Pilot launch in June 2015
  - Full launch in September
  - Over 140 exams taken

- Updated PMI-ACP exam
  - Role Delineation Study completed December 2014
  - July – pilot completed
  - 15 October – new exam launched worldwide
  - Check [www.pmi.org/exams](http://www.pmi.org/exams) for more information
PMI Professional in Business Analysis (PMI-PBA)®

The PMI-PBA® certification spotlights your ability to work effectively with stakeholders to define their business requirements, shape the output of projects and drive successful business outcomes.

- Focuses on the specific role business analysis serves that most directly impacts project success
- 47% of unsuccessful projects fail to meet goals due to poor requirements*
- The number of business analysis jobs is predicted to increase 19% by 2022, indicating a growing need for skilled professionals**

I believe in PMI's mission to grow in this business analysis space. As a business analyst myself, I believe it will certainly help in my career to be recognized as a PMI-PBA.

*PMI Pulse of the Profession
** Us Bureau of Labor and Statistics
## PMI-PBA® Eligibility Requirements

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<td><strong>Business Analysis Experience</strong></td>
<td>3 years (4,500 hours) within past 8 years</td>
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PMI-PBA Update

- Expand PMI-PBA awareness and Business Analysis thought leadership through www.projectmanagement.com
- Integrate PMI-PBA promotion with other Business Analysis activities, such as the Business Analysis Practice Guide
- Collaborate with PMI Chapters to welcome the Business Analysis community
The PfMP® certification recognizes the advanced experience and skill to help align portfolios with strategy.

- 44% of strategic initiatives are reported unsuccessful*
- It’s not about doing the work right – it’s about doing the right work!
- Demonstrates a proven ability to manage and align a portfolio of projects, programs, or operations to realize organizational strategy.
- Helps advance portfolio management maturity of organizations.

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Certification Materials Available on the PMI Marketing Portal

The PMI Marketing Portal is your one-stop resource to find professionally designed, PMI branded materials. To find Certification resources:

1) Log in to the Marketing Portal at PMI.org/Marketing Portal
2) Go to Browse Media Library
3) Under Categories, check off Certification

Materials available for download include:
• PMI Certification Brochure (updated January 2015)
• Agile Flyer
• Start, Build or Advance Your Career flyers
The CCR Program Fosters Continued Development

- Enhance professional development
- Encourage/recognize continued learning
- Sustain value of certification
- Standardized means of recording activities

CCR
Why Update the CCR Program?

- Evolution of profession
- Organizations challenged by finding talent with the right skills
- Will become a better professional development tool
- Solely self-determined curriculum - no guidance provided
- Increase the value, relevance, and credibility of practitioners
Redesigned CCR Program

60 PDUs
(PMP/PgMP/PfMP/PMI-PBA)

Education – 35 minimum
- 8 technical
- 8 leadership
- 8 business/strategic
  - Remaining 11 in any area of triangle

Giving Back – 25 maximum
- Volunteering
- Creating knowledge
- Working as a professional (8 maximum)

30 PDUs
(PMI-ACP/PMI-RMP/PMI-SP)

Education – 18 minimum
- 4 technical
- 4 leadership
- 4 business/strategic
  - Remaining 6 in any area of triangle

Giving Back – 12 maximum
- Volunteering
- Creating knowledge
- Working as a professional (4 maximum)
# Comparison of Current v. New CCR Program*

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What Does This Change Mean to You as a Certification Holder?

• More guidance in professional development
  – Research showed that providing more direction in professional development is beneficial
• Focus on employer demanded skills helps to maintain relevancy
  – Technical project management skills
  – Leadership skills
  – Strategic & business management skills
• Increases credibility and value of certification you hold
PMI Talent Triangle, category details

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PMI Talent Triangle

- **Technical Project Management**
  - Business Analysis & Requirements
  - Organizational Agility
  - Risk Management
  - Portfolio Management
  - Scheduling

- **Leadership**
  - Key Leadership Practices
  - Decision Making
  - Change Management
  - Communications Management
  - New Practitioners
  - Talent Management

- **Strategic and Business Management**
  - Knowledge Transfer
  - Strategic Business Management
  - Innovation
  - Benefits Realization
  - PMO
What Does This Change Mean to You as a Chapter Leader/REP/Stakeholder?

• Nearly 60% of all PDUs will be required in education
  – Certification holders will be looking for education opportunities in all areas of PMI Talent Triangle
  – Opportunity to review current course curriculum and add new content
  – Share information with customer base to help them plan for CCR change
• Giving back and volunteering still valued by PMI
  – 40% of PDUs can still be earned through this category
Aligning Activities

- Category A providers working on aligning activities to the PMI Talent Triangle
- Why? PMI will map all PDUs earned through these activities to your Talent Triangle allocation for certification holders
- Inactive and old activities should be retired

Use your best judgment!

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New CCR is live: What it looks like --

Call for Nominations for PMI Board

Are you interested in volunteering for the PMI Board of Directors? Members in good standing have until 1 February to submit their interest in open positions on the 2017–2019 Board. Learn more.

Ms. Beth J. Ouellette

Title: Add my title
Company: The Ouellette Group
Email: Beth_Ouellette@msn.com
Member ID: 84351
Member Since: 12 Apr 2000
Expires: 30 Apr 2016
Volunteer Status: Assigned
Chapter: New Jersey Chapter

New CCRS is live
The complete migration of your PDU data to the new CCRS may take up to one week after the 1 December 2015 launch. If you are reviewing your transcript and other PDU information during this timeframe, it may not reflect the most up-to-date status. All of your PDU information will be available by 8 December 2015.

Your myPMI dashboard will be available shortly. We appreciate your patience during this process.
Overview

**PMP Certified**
You are a PMP in good standing

PMP Number: 45452

PMP Credential holder since: 11 Feb 2002
PMP Credential valid through: 10 Feb 2018

You have accumulated the required number of Professional Development Units. [Begin the renewal process](#).

You may also download the [Application for Certification Renewal](#) and mail the application to PMI.

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**PgMP Certified**
You are a PgMP in good standing

PgMP Number: 471773

PgMP Credential holder since: 28 Jun 2007
PgMP Credential valid through: 10 Feb 2018

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**PMI-PBA Certified**
You are a PMI-PBA in good standing

PMI-PBA Number: 1793439
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PgMP – sample – PDUs fulfilled for cycle

Information
- Credential: #471773
- Status: In good standing
- Earned: 28 June 2007
- Renewal Date: 11 February 2018

764
- Days until renewal

Renew Now

PDUs
- 28.5 Technical
  - 8 minimum
- 17 Leadership
  - 8 minimum
- 8 Strategic & Business
  - 8 minimum
- 6.5 General Education

Education
- 35 minimum

Giving Back
- 25 maximum
- 0 Work as a Practitioner
  - 8 maximum

Claims
- 26 Approved
- 0 Rejected
- 0 Needs More Information
PBA – sample – yet to complete PDUs

PMI-PBA®

24.25
PDUs remaining to renew

Cycle: 17 Feb 2015 - 17 Feb 2018

Information

Credential: #1793439
Status: In good standing
Earned: 17 February 2015
Renewal Date: 17 February 2018

770
Days until renewal

PDUs

60
Required
35.75
Applied
24.25
Remaining

Claims

8
Approved
0
Rejected
0
Needs More Information
# Report PDU – Categories

## EDUCATION

Learning opportunities that allow you to broaden your knowledge in one of the PMI Talent Triangle skill areas: Technical, Leadership, or Strategic and Business Management.

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<td>Structured discussions with other professionals or mentors</td>
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Thank You!

You will receive an email shortly to confirm your activity claim and the PDUs earned for the claim.

Activity Title: Senior Business Analyst
Date Started: 05 January 2015
Date Completed: 30 April 2015

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Report Another Claim
Dear Beth Ouellette,
PMI ID Number: 84351

Thank you for your participation in PMI’s Continuing Certification Requirements (CCRs).

Your recent claim for professional development units (PDUs) has been submitted and is undergoing review.

The claim was submitted for:
Claim ID: 15535391
Giving Back - Work as a Practitioner
Activity Title: Senior Business Analyst
Date Started: 05 Jan 2015
Date Completed: 30 Apr 2015
For Credential: PMI-PBA
PDUs Claimed:
Giving Back: 8.00

We will review your PDU claim to ensure it meets the criteria established in the CCRs handbook. This review will take place within the next 30 days.

PDU Claim Has Been Approved

Dear Beth Ouellette,
PMI ID Number: 84351

Congratulations on your continued effort to maintain your PMI credential!

Your recent claim for professional development units (PDUs) has been approved.

The transaction included the following information:
Claim ID: 15535390
Giving Back - Work as a Practitioner
Activity Title: Senior Business Analyst
Date Started: 05 Jan 2015
Date Completed: 30 Apr 2015
For Credential: PMI-PBA
PDUs Claimed:
Giving Back: 8.00

You will be able to view this activity on your online transcript.
After Submitting – Work as a Practitioner

PMI-PBA®

21.25
PDUs remaining to renew

Cycle: 17 Feb 2015 - 17 Feb 2018

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Renew Now

PDUs

60 Required
60 Applied
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Claims

27 Approved
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Education

- 20.5 Technical
  - 8 minimum
- 17 Leadership
  - 8 minimum
- 8 Strategic & Business
  - 8 minimum
- 6.5 General Education

Giving Back

- 8 Work as a Practitioner
  - 8 maximum
- 0 Other Giving Back

Cycle: 11 Feb 2015 - 11 Feb 2018
Resources Available

- CCR update webpages:
  - REPs/Chapters - www.pmi.org/certification/ccr-updates.aspx
  - Practitioners - www.pmi.org/certification/ccr-updates-pra.aspx
  - Key information about changes
  - Webinars

Contact customer care: customercare@pmi.org
## Timeline

- 1 December 2015 – updates to CCR active
- Transition plan:

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<td>Classify PDUs according to new CCR format.</td>
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<td>Meet minimum number of PDUs in Education category and each of the three skill areas. This is required for renewal.</td>
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<td>Limit Giving Back category PDUs to new maximum requirement.</td>
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Certification and Chapters

• Chapters are a key resource for:
  – Promoting awareness of certification
  – Education opportunities
    • Exam preparation
    • CCR relevant courses
      – Even more opportunity with updated CCR
  – Community of peers
Carry over PDU is handled in the new CCRS as it was in the prior. Thus, in the third year of the PDU cycle 20 PDUs are allowed to be carried over. Are these all education or a split of education and give back?

Correct, the rules around carry over PDUs are still the same – any PDUs over and above required number, earned in final year, can be carried over to the next cycle (limit depends on certification). There is logic built into the system to first look for education PDUs to carry over since those will help with achieving the minimum requirements for renewal. It will carry over giving back PDUs as well, if there are not enough education PDUs to carry over.

Category split for min/max Education 35-60, Give Back 0-25

There is no max or cap on the number of education PDUs that one can earn but at a minimum they must earn 35 PDUs. Giving back is an entirely optional manner in which to earn PDUs but there is a maximum number allowed, which is 25. This is for the 60 PDU certifications.

If pre-defined PDU as “General” these may be redacted / deleted, and reentered as talent triangle.

Yes, those PDUs that people see in “general education” can be reclassified to the areas of the talent triangle by each individual through the redact and edit button. These were basically all of the self-directed learning PDUs that people had previously entered and didn’t come from a provider such as an REP or chapter that could classify the activity.

Is there any thought to give an “eternal” status to PMPs of a certain age and experience, to not have to continue to renew or claim PDUs?

Giving some sort of “eternal” status is not being considered. Currently there is an option to go into “retired” status if one has truly retired from the profession and not actively working in the field. Information on that can be found on page 17 of the CCR handbook. The synopsis is herein:

Retired Status
If you are a certification holder in good standing and wish to voluntarily relinquish your active status due to retirement, you are eligible to apply for retired status. To qualify, you must no longer earn primary remuneration for practicing project management and must have been a certification holder in good standing for at least 10 consecutive years. Once you are in retired status, you do not need to earn or report PDUs.
To apply for retired status, submit a written request to PMI by email (certccr@pmi.org) or fax (484 631 1332). PMI will send you guidelines about retired status and a form to complete. There is also a US$100 processing fee.

If you begin practicing project management again, you can apply for active status again by contacting PMI’s Customer Care by email. Once you have active status again, you will be required to earn and report PDUs.

**How do we ensure proper allocation of PDUs to the Triangle, especially with the self-reporting? i.e. if REP pre determines it is clear, if Chapters predetermine it is clear, if Projectmanagement.com predetermines it is clear. Otherwise, the quality will surely suffer.**

Allocation of PDUs that are not coming from REPs, chapters, or other providers will ultimately be determined by the individual. With this we are asking people to use their best judgment (and act ethically, of course). I am working on creating other resources that will help people with understanding how to allocate PDUs based on subject area but we are also trying to be very cognizant of not being too directive. Our goal is not to create an all-encompassing list of subject areas and how they are classified because many could straddle multiple areas of the Talent Triangle based on the precise aspect of the subject being covered. For example, change management could realistically fall under all three areas – creating a change management plan (technical), creating a vision for change (strategic), and leading a change initiative (leadership).