

APICS CERTIFICATION UPDATE

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APICS Certification Updates

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APICS CPIM RECONFIGURATION

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CPIM Reconfiguration Timeline – 2017-2018

2017

June 1 - Updated CPIM ECM available for purchase

August 29 - New Learning Systems and Instructor materials available for purchase

- Current BSCM courseware no longer for sale

- Current MPR/DSP/ECO/SMR courseware and exams available only for those in process

November 1– Part 1 and Part 2 exams available for purchase (exam administration will begin January 2018)

2018

January 7 - Last day to take the BSCM exam. BSCM exam discontinued after this date

January 8 - Delivery of Part 1 and Part 2 exam administration begins

July 1 - Discontinue selling current MPR/DSP/ECO/SMR courseware and exams. After this date, purchases will only be authorized for candidates who need to *retake* legacy exams

Dec. 31 - Last date to take MPR/DSP/ECO/SMR. All legacy exams will be discontinued after this date

All dates are subject to change

CPIM Reconfiguration

CPIM Program Exam Information:

- No change to the CPIM Body of Knowledge
- No changes in Key Terms or references – except to convert to latest editions
- CPIM Part 1 and Part 2 exams will be comprised of 150 questions (20 pretest), and with 3.5 hours allotted exam time.
- CPIM Part 1 will include Technology Enhanced Item (TEI) features, such as drag and drop and fill in the blank.
- CPIM Part 2 content areas are equally weighted between MPR, DSP, ECO, SMR
- The ECM is finalized and ready for distribution in June 2017

Frequently Asked Question:

Should candidates wait until the new exams are available?

- Candidates who complete the BSCM exam before 1/7/18 can **SAVE up to \$585** by not waiting to take the reconfigured CPIM Part 1 exam (available January 2018).
- The BSCM will count as Part 1 of the new configuration and prepare candidates for Part 2.
- Please note that the ATT expiration countdown for Basics will begin in early July 2017. Any ATT's purchased for the Basics exam after July 7, 2017, will have a set expiration date of January 7, 2018 and will not have a full 6 month validity period.

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APICS CERTIFICATION MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

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APICS Maintenance Program Restructured

Why is the Certification Maintenance program Changing?

- Roadblocks to obtaining maintenance points
- Feedback regarding additional activities to consider

What's New?

- APICS Maintenance activities are being condensed from a 4 category grouping to a 2 category grouping
- Streamlined point rubric
- No point restrictions for any categories
- Points awarded for relevant project management work
- Points awarded for participating in APICS mentoring program
- Points awarded for reading relevant books

Please contact certification@apics.org for any questions related to certification maintenance.

APICS CERTIFICATION FELLOWS PROGRAM

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APICS Certification Fellows Program Expansion

- In addition to the CPIM Certification, the Fellows program will expand to include the CSCP and CLTD Certifications.
- Fellows program requirements have been restructured, allowing candidates a broader opportunity to participate.
- New program requirements will be available 4Q17.
- Online Application is expected to be available for candidates beginning January 2018.

If you have any questions regarding the fellowship program, please contact us at certification@apics.org.

Thank you.

Questions?