

CAPM Eligibility Requirements

Who should apply?

If you're a less experienced project practitioner looking to demonstrate your commitment to project management, improve your ability to manage larger projects and earn additional responsibility, and stand out to potential employers, the CAPM certification is right for you.

CAPM Eligibility Overview

To apply for the CAPM, you need to have:

- A secondary degree (high school diploma or the global equivalent)
- AND**
- At least 1,500 hours of project experience
- OR**
- 23 hours of project management education by the time you sit for the exam.

This is an overview of the requirements. For complete details regarding the CAPM eligibility requirements, please view the [CAPM Handbook](#) for further details.

If you have gained experience leading and directing projects, you may want to see if you are ready for the [Project Management Professional \(PMP\)® credential](#).

How to apply and prepare for the exam

- **To apply for the CAPM,** [register and log in to PMI's online system](#) to get started. A [printable CAPM application form](#) is also available.
- **Need more information?** Get more information on the CAPM's role and requirements. For a more detailed look, [consult the CAPM handbook](#).
- **Ready to take the exam?** Use the [CAPM Exam Guidance](#) for information about the exam, tips for preparing, and important updates.

Maintain Your CAPM

As a CAPM certification holder, you do not need to earn PDUs. Instead, you take a re-exam before the end of your five-year certification cycle.

Consult the [CAPM Handbook](#) found on www.pmi.org for more information.