



**ACCEPTABLE DEGREES,
CERTIFICATIONS and
COURSEWORK**

College Degrees/Fields of Study

Accounting
Business Administration
Business Management
Counseling
Criminal Justice
Criminology
Family and Consumer Science
Financial Planning
Gerontology
Health Care Administration
Human Services
Law/Pre-Law
Liberal Arts
Medical
Nursing
Occupational Therapy
Physical Therapy
Psychology
Public Administration
Recreation Therapy
Social Work
Sociology
Special Education
Speech Therapy

Certifications/Licensures

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| CALA | Certified Assisted living Administrator |
| CFP | Certified Financial Planner |
| CHW | Community Health Worker Certification |
| CPA | Certified Public Accountant |
| CMC | Care Manager Certified |
| CCM | Certified Case Manager |
| C-SWCM | Certified Social Work Case Manager |
| C-ASWCM | Certified Advanced Social Worker in Case Management |
| CDMM | Certification by the American Association of Daily Money Managers |
| CTRS | Certified Therapeutic Recreational Specialist |
| CPG | Washington Certified Professional Guardians |
| LMHC | Licensed Mental Health Counselor |
| LPN | Licensed Practical Nurse |

Accepted Coursework

- CGC will accept education units for an organized program of learning which includes attendance and/or participation towards the accepted coursework requirement. Coursework must address CGC core competencies. Credits earned from accepted programs of learning are permitted in live, recorded, or virtual formats. One educational credit hour is equal to 60 minutes/1 hour.

- An education unit should increase the candidate's basic knowledge and understanding of the NCG Core Competencies including:
 - NGA Ethical Principles and Standards of Practice
 - guardianship duties, responsibilities and limitations
 - the judicial system and legal process involved in guardianship proceedings
 - accessing and monitoring services, supports and benefits for the physical, psychological and emotional care and treatment of a person subject to guardianship
 - fiduciary financial management
 - person-centered and supported decision making

- CGC accepted programs of learning towards the educational requirements include, but are not limited to, the following organizations:
 - National Guardianship Association (NGA), its state affiliates, and its networks
 - Center for Guardianship Excellence
 - Area Agencies on Aging
 - American and State Bar Associations
 - American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
 - AARP and its state affiliates
 - National and State Adult Protective Services Associations
 - National Association of Elder Law Attorneys
 - National Association of Social Workers
 - National College of Probate Judges
 - Aging Life Care Association
 - Disability Rights Network

- CGC also accepts other specific classes, seminars or training course work related to guardianship matters.

- A candidate may request up to 15 hours of education credit provided by an employer or agency providing guardianship and related services and supports. In-house/program educational units provided by agency staff or sponsored by the agency/program must be documented and verified by agency/program administration.

- A candidate must provide documentation of attendance or completion of an educational unit from the sponsoring entity and submit the documentation to CGC. Candidates shall attach certificates(s) of attendance (copies accepted) for the program, course work for educational credits. CGC reserves the right to request additional information or documentation to verify educational units.

- All education credits shall be obtained within two years prior to the applicant applying to take the exam for national certification.