

Certification PDU Opportunities

Following is an overview of the activities that qualify for professional development units (PDU) and in what amounts to meet requirements for the series of Certified in Family and Consumer Sciences credentials (CFCS, CFCS-HDFS, and CFCS-HNFS) and/or the Certified Personal and Family Finance Educator credential (CPFFE).

- Professional development units can be earned only for activities that promote the certificant’s enhanced professional level knowledge and skill directly associated with the competencies embodied in the certification held (competencies identified for the Personal and Family Finance Educator exam for those holding the CPFFE credential or competencies identified for the Family and Consumer Sciences composite exam for any of the CFCS series of certifications...CFCS, CFCS-HNFS, or CFCS -HDFS).
- Individuals holding both a CFCS-series certification (CFCS, CFCS-HNFS, or CFCS-HDFS) and the CPFFE certification may count an activity’s PDU toward the renewal requirements of both certifications if the activity aligns with the competencies identified for the exam for both certifications (CFCS series and CPFFE).

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Example</u>	<u>PDU's Earned</u>
Academic Courses	Credit Courses Audited Courses	15 PDU for Each Credit Hour 8 PDU for Each Credit Hour
Design Competitions	Placing or Recognition	5 PDU
Educational Travel	Subject matter educational travel or tour sponsored by professional association, organization, college or university. Objectives of travel or tour must be consistent with the knowledge base in family and consumer sciences or related fields.	25 PDU per Reporting Cycle Credit for actual subject matter parts of the tour or travel
Educational Resources	Development of Educational Materials such as curriculum guides, learning packages, workbooks, media packages for local, district, state, and national distribution and use.	Single Author: 10 PDU Senior Author: 8 PDU Co-Author: 5 PDU Contributor: 3 PDU
	Development of Software Programs that are developed for local, district, state or national distribution and use.	Single Author: 45 PDU Senior Author: 36 PDU Co-Author: 23 PDU Contributor: 15 PDU

Educational Fellowships	Competitive Post-Graduate Fellowship PDUs for fulfillment of fellowship responsibilities	2 PDU per Week Maximum of 25 PDU Per Reporting Cycle
Exhibitions	Acceptance and participation in a juried exhibition	5 PDU
Exhibits	Viewing Vendor Exhibits at Professional Development Conferences	1 PDU per 25 Exhibits Maximum of 10 PDU Per Reporting Cycle
Journal of Family and Consumer Sciences	Reading Peer-Reviewed Scholarship Articles and Answering Posted Questions	3 PDU per Journal
Leadership	Affiliate Executive Board Position	5 PDU per Year
	Servings as Chair or AAFCS Affiliate or National Committee, Council, Unit or Assembly	5 PDU per Year
	Serving on AAFCS Affiliate or National Committee, Council, Unit or Assembly	1 PDU per Year
	Serving on AAFCS Board of Directors	10 PDU per Year
Professional Development Training	Professional Development via Conference, Meeting, Workshop or Webinar	1 PDU per Contact Hour
	In-Service Workshops	1 PDU per Contact Hour
	Continuing Education Non-Credit Class	1 PDU per Contact Hour
Professional Development Presentations	Development and Initial Presentation to Professional Audience	3 PDU per Contact Hour
	Development and Initial Presentation to Consumer Audience	2 PDU per Contact Hour
Poster Session Program Showcase Curriculum Showcase	Viewing of poster session or showcase held in conjunction with Professional Development Conferences	1 PDU per Contact Hour
	Development of and Presentation for Session	2 PDU

Post-Baccalaureate Internship	Internship or Practicum in Family and Consumer Sciences or Showcase	1 PDU for each 30 hours or more in a week
Publications	Published Book contributing to family and consumer sciences knowledge base	Single Author: 45 PDU Senior Author: 36 PDU Co-Author: 23 PDU Contributor: 15 PDU Chapter Author: 10 PDU Listed Editor: 10 PDU Contributor to Revised Editions: 10 PDU
	Informational Article in newspaper, consumer magazine, non-refereed journal, professional magazine that fulfills mission of family and consumer science	Single Author: 2 PDU
	Refereed Journal Article or Research Article	Single Author: 10 PDU Senior Author: 8 PDU Co-Author: 5 PDU Contributor: 3 PDU
	Technical Publications related to family and consumer sciences knowledge base	Single Author: 5 PDU Senior Author: 4 PDU Co-Author: 3 PDU Contributor: 2 PDU
	Abstract	Single Author: 2 PDU
	Book Review of family and consumer science content published in a professional journal or magazine, consumer magazine, or newspaper	Single Author: 2 PDU