



Undergraduate Certification Candidacy Timeline 2027

Fall Cycle Date	Spring Cycle Date	Responsible Party	Activity
By January 6, 2027		AUPHA	AUPHA contacts interested Associate Undergraduate programs on intent to stand for.
By January 19, 2027		Associate Undergraduate Programs Interested in Certification	Associate Undergraduate programs notify AUPHA of intent to stand for candidacy.
January 21, 2027		AUPHA	AUPHA sends candidacy materials, acknowledgment form and invoice to programs intending to stand for candidacy.
By March 25, 2027		Candidate Programs	Programs standing for candidacy status complete and submit candidacy materials.
Late March – Early April 2027		Peer Mentors	Peer Mentors will attend a training session
By April 8, 2027		AUPHA	AUPHA notifies programs that have submitted all candidacy materials by the deadline of their assigned peer mentor.
By October 14, 2027		Peer Mentors	Peer Mentors send AUPHA the program feedback forms for review. AUPHA will forward this form to the program after this date.

April 2027 until the program declares intent to stand for certification (January 2027 up to January 2029)	Candidate Programs	Candidate programs work with a peer mentor to review criteria and establish/refine necessary structures for self-study year and beyond. These programs may remain in candidacy status for up to 3 years. A candidate program that does not declare their intent to stand for initial certification after the 3-year mark will need to renew their candidacy status at that time.
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Please view the Undergraduate Certification timelines on the [Certification Documents page](#) of AUPHA's website for detailed information on deadlines for each upcoming certification cycle.