# CPLP Certification: Am I Eligible?

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# Learning Objectives

- Determine if CPLP is right for you
- Identify 3 reasons to become a CPLP
- Identify 3 sets of CPLP requirements



# What's the CPLP?

- CPLP (Certified Professional in Learning & Performance) is a certification for talent development professionals
- Earning the CPLP requires passing an eligibility requirement and two exams



It's a certification and not a certificate



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#### **The ATD Competency Model**



Exam areas are defined by the ATD Competency Model

ATD Competency Model identifies what individuals need to know and do to be successful in the talent development field



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# Who is it for?

- Individuals with a minimum of 5 years talent development industry experience / equivalent
- Industry experience means the individual has worked for a total of 5 full years in the talent development field
- Talent development solutions must focus on adults (not children) in the workplace (versus a school setting)





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Key themes for CPLP credential holders

- Opportunity
- Credibility
- Commitment
- Performance
- Return on Investment





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**Evidence is from independent research studies** 

- Research conducted by an independent firm in 2009
  - To determine perception of value
  - Surveyed nearly 1200 individuals
  - Interviewed dozens of CPLP holders, candidates, and top employers
- Research conducted by The ROI Institute in 2015
  - To determine return on investment
  - Surveyed 327 credential holders
  - Used a combination of questionnaires, focus groups, interviews with current and former CPLPs with supervisors

## Findings demonstrate CPLP is a valuable credential to both individuals and organizations



#### **Evidence is from independent research studies**

- CPLP certification contributes to 11% improvement in proficiency within the talent development function.
- CPLP credential holders report improvement in confidence to do their job, quality of work, and learning program effectiveness.
- More than 80% of CPLP holders report that their employers recognize the increased expertise they have as a result of obtaining the CPLP credential.

-CPLP credential holders



#### What employers are saying ...

Evidence is from independent research studies

 "The CPLP program is beneficial for a learning professional to gain a broader understanding of the field."

> —Employer, major financial services company

 "I would advocate for a team of CPLPs. I feel the productivity of the group would be greatly improved since everyone would have a common knowledge of the profession."

—Learning executive, major government agency

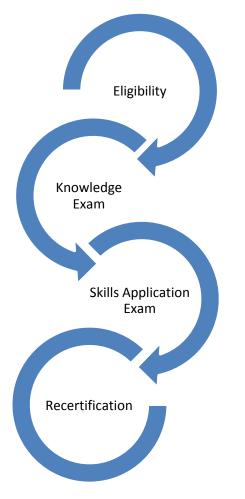


#### **Market Demand**

Just a few of the employers who have posted jobs as CPLP preferred on the ATD Job Bank and Monster.com



# What are the components?



#### **Eligibility Requirement**

 Minimum of five years industry related experience or equivalent

#### **Knowledge Exam**

- 150 multiple-choice questions
- 10 areas of expertise; 1 foundational competency

#### **Skills Application Exam**

- 100 items; Individual picks one of three area of expertise:
  - Instructional Design
  - Training Delivery
  - Managing Learning Programs
- Four case studies; 5-6 pages of supporting documentation and
  25 linked items per case study, on average

#### Recertification - 60 points every 3 years to maintain



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# What are the stats?

#### Knowledge Exam

Date	Administration	Exams	% Individuals	% Individuals
	Windows	Administered	Passed	Failed
June 1, 2005 – Oct. 10, 2016	44	4,776	74%	26%

#### Skills Application Exam<sup>1</sup>

Date	Administration	Exams	% Individuals	% Individuals
	Windows	Administered	Passed	Failed
May 1, 2016 – August 31, 2016	2	208	73%	27%

#### **CPLP** Designations Awarded

Date	Lifetime CPLP Designations Awarded	
June 1, 2005 – Oct. 10, 2016	2,190	

As of	Current CPLP Designations Awarded <sup>2</sup>
Oct. 10, 2016	1,614

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## Is it right for me?

### www.td.org/cplp

I'm ready to get started on my

Don't meet the requirements? Consider taking a to develop in an Area of Expertise.

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#### Is CPLP Certification **Right For Me?**

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1. CPLP certification - CPLP Certification-the Certified Professional in Learning and Performance (CPLP) certification is the only credential covering the entire talent development (TD) profession. To earn the credential, candidates must meet: 1) eligibility requirements, 2) successfully complete a ten area knowledge exam, and 3) successfully complete the Skills Application Exam (SAE).



Eligibility - To be eligible, all candidates must have at least five years of full-time professional work experience in the TD field or the equivalent. Please read the Certification Handbook for an overview of the ten Areas of Expertise (AOEs) and the SAE Key Actions. If you are unsure if you meet these requirements, complete and return this form via email.



3. Fee - The CPLP registration fee to test is \$900 for current ATD members and \$1250 for non-members. CPLP Preparation resources are at an additional cost.

4. Time Commitment - Candidates generally take approximately one year or more to earn the CPLP credential, including a thorough review of the Certification Handbook, 15 minutes to apply and register, 80+ hours to study/prepare for the multiple choice exam, and another 30+ hours to prepare for the SAE. The amount of time needed to study depends on the individual.



5. Preparation - ATD has several options for CPLP preparation workshops and materials. ATD also offers a free practice exam, the pCPLP.

#### For more information

For general program information, contact ATD Customer Care at <u>customercare@td.org</u> or 800.628.2783.

For detailed program information, see <u>www.td.org/cplp</u>.



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