



American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Certificate Accreditation Program (CAP)

Make Your Certificate Mean More...
to Potential Students, to Certificate Holders, to Employers, and to Regulators

The American National Standards Institute Certificate Accreditation Program (ANSI-CAP) helps you document that your program meets an American National Standard for quality. When you earn ANSI accreditation, your customers—and their customers—can have confidence that the certificates you award to your students represent the best in quality education and training.

Employers and Regulators Care about ANSI Accreditation

Several industries and a number of government agencies already require ANSI accredited certifications for their new hires—and many are considering similar requirements for certificates. Among those that have sought ANSI accreditation for their certificate programs are the U.S. Army, Food and Drug Administration, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators, and SCIPP International.

The Accreditation Process Assures Program Quality—and Certificate Value

ANSI-CAP is based on an American National Standard, ASTM E2659-09, *Standard Practice for Certificate Programs*. The standard requires that your program meets predefined industry requirements for content, follows predetermined processes, includes constant feedback for quality improvement, and much more. ANSI's accreditation process itself follows ISO/IEC 17011, the International Standard that defines quality third-party accreditation practices.

Accreditation Puts Your Program in front of Your Competition

ANSI accreditation will signify that the certificate holder has completed a prescribed course of study designed specifically to meet predefined industry requirements—and that your organization has met, and continues to meet, standards for quality improvement. Will your competitors be able to say the same?

Why Choose ANSI Accreditation for Your Certificate Programs?

ANSI is the official U.S. representative to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and, via the U.S. National Committee, the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), and is a U.S. representative to the International Accreditation Forum (IAF). ANSI accreditation is nationally and internationally recognized as a mark of quality and assures that employers can have confidence that the certificate holder has completed the prescribed course of study.

Your Certificate Program plus ANSI Accreditation—Documenting Excellence in Education and Training

“For too long, tremendous confusion has existed regarding the relative values and differences between various training certificates. ANSI-CAP helps clarify this confusion for consumers and sets a whole new benchmark for employers seeking the best training available.”

– Don Williamson, SCIPP International

“The individuals and agencies we serve can rest assured that their training has been developed and delivered in a professional manner.”

– Chris Moore, National Association of State Boating Law Administrators



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