BECOME A CFE

Impact Your Career, Your Company and the Global Economy

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WHY BECOME A CFE

Certified Fraud Examiners are highly-valued and sought after by organizations spanning all industries, sectors and sizes.

CFEs protect the global economy by uncovering fraud and implementing processes to prevent fraud from occurring in the first place.

CFEs have a unique set of skills. They combine knowledge of complex financial transactions with an understanding of investigative techniques, legal issues and the ability to resolve allegations of fraud. Careers in the anti-fraud profession continue to grow as organizations seek individuals with this diverse skill set.

“Holding an internationally recognized credential like the CFE has helped grow my reputation as a speaker at industry events and helped elevate my own role here at Etsy.”

RICHARD BARBIERI, CFE
SENIOR MANAGER OF RISK OPERATIONS
I don’t think I would have been given the opportunity to have my dream job if it weren’t for my CFE credential.”

SAMANTHA WEEKS, CFE
SENIOR FRAUD RISK ANALYST

The CFE credential is recognized globally, respected and accepted as the standard of professional excellence in the anti-fraud industry.

CFEs in more than 180 countries

MORE THAN 75% OF FORTUNE 500 COMPANIES EMPLOY AT LEAST ONE CFE

CFEs earn 31% more than those without the credential*

one of the MOST MARKETABLE CREDENTIALS TODAY, according to Robert Half International

RECOGNIZED IN HIRING POLICIES OF LEADING ORGANIZATIONS
including the FBI, the SEC and the South African Revenue Service

Research conducted by the ACFE in the 2018 Report to the Nations determined that:

On a scale of 1-10, the CFE is a 10 for me… without it my credibility would be a zero.”

CONNIE TOMMERUP, CFE, CPA
CFEs possess expertise in preventing, detecting and investigating fraud, and this proactive approach reduces the duration and median loss of a fraud. ACFE research shows that organizations with CFEs on staff uncover frauds 50% sooner and suffer losses 65% lower than organizations without CFEs.
**HOW TO BECOME A CFE**

Become a CFE in 4 Steps:

**STEP 1**
JOIN THE ACFE

You must be an Associate member to take the CFE Exam and earn your CFE credential. To become a member, visit ACFE.com/join.

**STEP 2**
PREPARE FOR THE CFE EXAM

Choose from the following:
- CFE Exam Prep Course®
- CFE Exam Review Course
- Study on your own using the Fraud Examiners Manual

**STEP 3**
APPLY FOR THE CFE EXAM

Complete a CFE Exam application with documentation before taking the CFE Exam.

**STEP 4**
PASS THE CFE EXAM

The CFE Exam tests your knowledge and expertise on Financial Transactions and Fraud Schemes, Law, Investigation, and Fraud Prevention and Deterrence.

"Having the CFE credential has allowed me to be a transformational leader in the fight against fraud, waste and abuse in the areas of financial management, intelligence contingency funding and management of internal control programs for Army military intelligence worldwide."

GEORGE W. HALL, CFE, CGFM
SENIOR INTERNAL AUDITOR
### HOW SHOULD I PREPARE FOR THE CFE EXAM?

Whether you prefer a self-paced option or an in-person instructor-led event, the ACFE has the resources you need to prepare for the CFE Exam.

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PREPARE FOR THE CFE EXAM

The CFE credential has made me more marketable. It’s an internationally established and recognized brand, and since I work in a multi-national, multi-country organization, the CFE is a very valuable accreditation to have.”

HITA VAN WYK, CFE, CA (SA)
HEAD OF GROUP FINANCE & GOVERNANCE

CFE EXAM PREP COURSE

Designed with the busy anti-fraud professional in mind, the CFE Exam Prep Course® software gives you the flexibility you need to prepare for the CFE Exam on your schedule. This computer self-study course is designed to fully prepare you to successfully pass the CFE Exam.

BENEFITS:

1,500 STUDY QUESTIONS
Review sample exam questions with explanations of the correct answers.

TIMED PRACTICE EXAMS
Simulate the CFE Exam environment by taking timed practice exams.

FRAUD EXAMINERS MANUAL
Explore topics in-depth with the PDF version of the Fraud Examiners Manual.

MONEY-BACK PASS GUARANTEE
Prepare with confidence – the CFE Exam Prep Course is backed by our Money-Back Pass Guarantee.

ACFE.com/CFEprep
CFE EXAM REVIEW COURSE

Master the skills and knowledge you need to pass the CFE Exam by attending the CFE Exam Review Course. This 4-day, instructor-led course will help you master the concepts tested on the CFE Exam. This course, in combination with the CFE Exam Prep Course software, will provide you with an unbeatable combination for passing the exam.

BENEFITS:

**FAST TRACK**
Participate in an intense, 4-day preparation period.

**INSTRUCTOR-LED**
Receive guidance from experienced teachers in a structured learning environment.

**INTERACTIVE SESSIONS**
Participate in discussions on a variety of fraud prevention topics in a team environment.

**ON-SITE TESTING**
Take the CFE Exam on-site while the material is still fresh in your mind. Go home knowing you’ve passed your CFE Exam.

ACFE.com/examreview

FRAUD EXAMINERS MANUAL

All of the CFE Exam questions are derived from material contained in the Fraud Examiners Manual. This comprehensive 2,000-page guide is an essential resource for all anti-fraud professionals.

BENEFITS:

**ALLOWS A SELF-DIRECTED AND DESIGNED STUDY PLAN**
Best suited for those who are self-motivated and focused on the task at hand.

**THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE ON FRAUD**
The Fraud Examiners Manual is the global standard for the anti-fraud profession.

Fraud Examiners Manual

ACFE.com/bookstore
BECOME A CFE CHECKLIST

1. Join the ACFE
   - Join the ACFE as an Associate member

2. Prepare for the CFE Exam
   - Decide how to study for the CFE Exam
   - Study for the CFE Exam

3. Apply for the CFE Exam
   - Visit ACFE.com/CFEQualifications for academic and professional requirements
   - Submit completed exam application

4. Pass the CFE Exam
   - Request an Exam Activation Key (allow 3-5 business days to receive your key)
   - Take the CFE Exam
   - Submit completed CFE Exam and Exam Affidavit Form

Having the CFE credential differentiates me from the crowd and emphasizes my commitment to the profession. When decision-makers pore over the multitude of résumés to select the right candidate to hire, their eyes will naturally pick up those with the all-important initials that trail their name.”

MELISSA AW YONG, CFE, CIA, CCSA
CHIEF CONSULTANT
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

CFE Exam Coach
The ACFE’s dedicated CFE Exam Coach, Angela Fletcher, will help you with tips and encouragement along your journey towards becoming a CFE. She is your resource to help you stay on track to earning your CFE credential. Please contact Angela any time:

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The CFE Exam Coach E-Newsletter
This monthly e-newsletter provides study suggestions, answers to your questions and encouragement to help you complete the process. All CFE Exam Prep Course purchasers are automatically signed up to receive The CFE Exam Coach e-newsletter. If you haven’t purchased the CFE Exam Prep Course, you may still sign up for the newsletter at ACFE.com/CFECoach.

Chapter Support
Chapters around the world provide support and motivation through study groups and financial incentive awards that encourage and motivate members to earn the CFE credential. Chapter members typically span a broad spectrum of experience, from newly-minted CFEs to those with a wealth of anti-fraud knowledge, providing you with a valuable study resource, in addition to fostering friendships and developing career connections. Find your local chapter at ACFE.com/localchapters.

Online Resources

Discussion Forums
Participate in the ACFE Community to post questions online and receive feedback from other members and ACFE staff. Join a quarterly ACFE 90-day challenge with your peers. Receive study tips, best practices and support when preparing for the CFE exam. Join the discussion at Connect.ACFE.com.

LinkedIn
Join the ACFE’s LinkedIn Group and connect with other members and current CFEs who can share tips, advice and study strategies.

ACFE Support Staff
The ACFE staff is always happy to help with questions about the CFE Exam, CFE Exam Review Course, CFE Exam Prep Course or becoming a CFE in general. Contact an ACFE Member Services Representative at (800) 245-3321 / +1 (512) 478-9000 between 7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Central Time, by email at MemberServices@ACFE.com or via live online chat on ACFE.com/contact.
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