

Continuing Education Units Program Application

Submit this application to have your program considered for CEU approval toward Irrigation Association certification renewal.

CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM APPROVAL

Programs considered for IA continuing education units must include training related to at least one of the core competency areas of the IA certification programs.

CORE COMPETENCY AREAS

Irrigation Audit Procedures
Irrigation Design
Irrigation Equipment and Technology
Irrigation Hydraulics and Pumps
Irrigation Maintenance and Repair
Irrigation Scheduling
Irrigation Installation
Electrical (low voltage irrigation only)
Soil-Water-Plant Relationships
Irrigation Water Conservation
Irrigation Industry Business Functions

The training course cannot be proprietary in nature and must be available to all IA members.

CONTINUING EDUCATION PROVIDER QUALIFICATIONS

Presenters should be proficient in subject areas being taught.

CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Complete the IA CEU Program Application. A separate application should be completed for each course that an individual or organization wishes to offer IA CEU's. Multiple course offerings with different presenters should include a description of each of the courses offered with the credentials of each of the presenters listed in the application. Course descriptions and learning objective must be included in the application and include the length of instructional time. Application must outline current education, experience, certifications and licenses held by the presenting individual.

An application fee is assessed for each course, lecture or program application submitted for IA CEU approval (please see cost below). This fee is required prior to the IA reviewing an application for continuing education units. If an application is approved, your program will be listed as an approved program for continuing education units in IA materials.

LENGTH OF COURSE SUBMITTED	COST PER APPLICATION
4 hours or less	\$50
>4 to 8 hours	\$100
Over 8 hours	\$200

An original copy of all applicable program brochures showing dates, times and session titles offered must accompany each application. If you wish to include the IA logo with your marketing brochures and advertising, contact the IA at 703.536.7080.

If approved, a specific number of CEUs will be awarded. CEU value is dependent upon the amount of time a participant shall spend in the actual lecture/ learning environment and based on the three tier system the IA has established.

CEU Categories

Irrigation Association Qualifying Continuing Education Units (Beginning Jan. 1, 2024)

All certified professionals must submit 20 continuing education units per two-year cycle to remain in good standing.

A minimum of five Tier 1 CEUs per cycle must be related to sustainable irrigation and/or water-efficient concepts in the field of irrigation.

IRRIGATION ASSOCIATION CERTIFICATIONS

Cap	No cap (maximum) on the number of CEUs per year earned in this category
Qualifying activity	20 CEUs earned for becoming a CID
	10 CEUs earned for additional CID specialties
	10 CEUs earned for becoming a CIC, CIT, CLIA, CGIA, CAIS
Training definition	Does not apply to first certification earned

IRRIGATION ASSOCIATION LEADERSHIP ROLES

Cap	A maximum of 10 CEUs per cycle can be earned in this category. CEUs in this category are earned at the rate of 1 CEU per hour of attendance.
Qualifying activity	Serving as a board member on an IA affiliate local or state irrigation association
	Serving as a board member or chair/vice chair of a committee with the Irrigation Association
	Serving as a noncompensated member of a state irrigation licensing board or committee
	Advisory board member of an irrigation-focused entity for landscape, agriculture, sustainable/environmental organization

IRRIGATION EDUCATIONAL CONTENT DEVELOPER

Cap	No cap (maximum) on the number of CEUs per year earned in this category CEUs in this category are earned at the rate of 2 CEUs per article/book chapter/session and 1 CEU per newsletter or in-house publication.
Qualifying activity	2 CEUs for writing reference material or irrigation books
	2 CEUs for presenting irrigation-related technical papers
	2 CEUs for writing articles for an irrigation publication
	1 CEU for writing an irrigation-focused newsletter
	1 CEU for writing an in-house irrigation-focused publication

IRRIGATION TRAINING - TIER 1

Cap	No cap (maximum) on the number of CEUs per year earned in this category CEUs in this category are earned at the rate of 1 CEU per hour of attendance.
Qualifying activity	Attending in-person or online/virtual irrigation educational or brand-specific courses, webinars, trainings or seminars
	Teaching irrigation education or brand-specific courses or seminars
Training definition	Irrigation educational courses and seminars are typically sponsored by, but are not limited to, trade associations, educational institutions, IA-licensed providers, professional irrigation instructors, manufacturers or distributors.
	Subject matter within this tier is directly related to irrigation and can be brand specific. Examples of acceptable courses include irrigation scheduling, irrigation hydraulics, irrigation installation, or product application scheduling and maintenance.

IRRIGATION TRAINING - TIER 2

Cap	A maximum of 5 CEUs per cycle may be earned in this category. CEUs in this category are earned at the rate of 0.5 CEU per hour of attendance.
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CEU Categories, cont.

Qualifying activity	Judging an irrigation competition in person or online/virtual
	Attending in-house irrigation courses or seminars in person or online/virtual
	Teaching in-house irrigation courses or seminars in person or online/virtual
	Irrigation backflow classes and irrigation backflow recertification classes
	Water harvesting classes for irrigation practices
	Proctoring Irrigation Association certification exams as a noncompensated activity
	Designing an irrigation system for a nonprofit entity as a noncompensated activity
	Conducting a field audit for a nonprofit entity as a noncompensated activity
	Installing an irrigation system for a nonprofit entity as a noncompensated activity
Training definition	Water-efficient irrigation, sustainable irrigation and/or other irrigation-specific, in-person or online/virtual courses and seminars offered by an individual's employer.
	Subject matter is directly related to irrigation and can be brand-specific.
IRRIGATION TRAINING – TIER 3	
Cap	A maximum of five CEUs per cycle can be earned in this category.
	CEUs in this category are earned at the rate of 0.25 CEU per hour of attendance.
Qualifying activity	Attending irrigation or green industry trade shows
	Attending or teaching green industry or pesticide/chemigation application in-person or online/virtual irrigation education or brand-specific courses webinars, trainings or seminars
	Attending or teaching business in-person or online/virtual irrigation education or brand-specific courses webinars, trainings or seminars
Training definition	Serving as a noncompensated irrigation advocate, consultant or member of a non-irrigation-focused entity, while representing the irrigation industry on a broader scope as the irrigation SME for a state organization, water task force or government task force.
	Irrigation or green industry trade shows attendance is considered for walking the trade show floor or attending corporate sales meetings. Staffing of an individual's employer or affiliate trade association booth does not qualify.
	Green industry courses and seminars are typically sponsored by, but not limited to, manufacturers, distributors, trade associations, and educational institutions.
	Subject matter is indirectly related to irrigation and can be brand specific .
	Landscape lighting and hardscape classes and seminars do not qualify for IA CEUs.
	Business courses and seminars are typically sponsored by manufacturers, distributors, trade associations, and educational institutions. Subject matter is directly related to irrigation industry business functions .
	Staffing a booth on a trade show floor as a noncompensated individual, representing irrigation interests, typically not for your employer.

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Complete this application.

CONTACT INFORMATION

1. Name of individual or organization applying for IA CEU approval:

2. Name of official contact person for event:

3. Mailing address and phone # for contact person:

STREET SUITE/APT. #

CITY STATE/PROVINCE

POSTAL CODE COUNTRY

PHONE FAX

WEBSITE EMAIL

COURSE INFORMATION

1. Title of course for which you are submitting CEU approval:

2. Location(s) the course will be held:

3. Date(s) of the activity/course:

4. Enter core competency and tier you feel (see previous pages) your activity/course falls.

5. Briefly describe the activity/course objectives for which you are submitting for IA CEU approval.

6. Who is the target audience for your event?

7. Upon completion of the program, students will be able to

8. Amount of contact hours each participant shall spend in actual lecture, excluding breaks:

INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS

1. Credentials of presenter (education, experience, certifications, licenses, etc.)

2. Previous presentation experience

SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

- ☐ Completed application for each course/lecture/topic submitting for CEU approval status
- ☐ All applicable program brochures showing event description, date, time and session titles
- ☐ \$_____ single event

PAYMENT INFORMATION

- ☐ Check enclosed

CHARGE: ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express ☐ Discover

(If you do not feel comfortable including your credit card information here, call the IA office and we can process the payment over the phone.)

CARD NUMBER EXPIRATION DATE (MONTH/YEAR)

NAME ON CARD

SIGNATURE DATE

Amount enclosed or authorized in US \$ _____

(Payable to Irrigation Association in US\$ drawn on U.S. bank)

Mail, email or fax application and appropriate forms to:

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