



CPE Ethics Requirement – FAQs

What is the CPE/CPD requirement?

As a condition of The IIA's CPE/CPD requirements, an IIA-certified individual must complete a minimum of two (2) CPE/CPD credit hours in the subject area of ethics as part of their overall annual [CPE/CPD requirements](#).

Why is The IIA requiring two hours of CPE/CPD in the subject matter of ethics?

The IIA's Professional Certifications Board (PCB) approved the recommendation by the Global Ethics Committee (GEC) requiring that two of the annual continuing professional education/development (CPE/CPD) hours for all active IIA certification and qualification holders must be in the category of ethics. The requirement is intended to:

- Demonstrate The IIA's commitment to the highest professional standards.
- Foster compliance with the IIA Code of Ethics and encourage IIA certificate holders to achieve proficiency in professional ethics, as included in The IIA Global Internal Audit Competency Framework.
- Allow The IIA to keep pace with other highly esteemed global professional associations with certification programs.

I didn't take an ethics course in 2017. Is that a problem?

It will be optional to complete and report two CPE/CPD credit hours in the subject area of ethics for IIA-certified individuals reporting by 31 December 2017.

In 2018, IIA-certified individuals will be REQUIRED to earn and report two CPE/CPD credit hours in the subject area of ethics.

Does this requirement apply to my specialty certification?

The requirement applies to all IIA certifications and qualifications, including CIA, CRMA, CCSA, CGAP, CFSA, CPEA, CPSA, and QIAL. One two-hour course or two one-hour courses that meet the requirement of "ethics" is sufficient to support any IIA certification/qualification an individual holds in any given reporting period. For example, if you hold both the CIA and CRMA, only two CPE credits in the topic of ethics are required per reporting period.

Where can I obtain ethics training/courses?

If you have attended our 2017 Annual Conference on 27 October 2017, you will receive 1 CPE hour in Ethics for the session on "Ethics in the Digital World" presented by Omer Ali Khan.

The IIA Academy is offering new CPE course for Ethics – "Ethics for Effective Internal Auditors". First run of the 3-hour facilitator-led CPE Ethics course will be held on 26 January 2018. Click [here](#) to sign up now! Please check our [training calendar](#) for the subsequent runs.

What should I do if I have questions?

If you have any questions related to the CPE/CPD ethics requirement, submit an incident in CCMS or contact IIA Global Customer Relations at CustomerRelations@theiaa.org.