

# WHICH UPPCC CERTIFICATION IS RIGHT FOR YOU?



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# CERTIFICATION COMPARISON



## Certified Public Procurement Officer (CPPO)

For procurement professionals in leadership and management positions. Applicants for CPPO manage one or more aspects of the procurement cycle or supervise procurement staff.

### Eligibility Requirements- 2 options

#### **Option 1**

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree
- ✓ 5 yrs of experience & 3 yrs management/supervisory experience
- ✓ 96 contact hours of coursework/training

#### **Option 2**

- ✓ no degree
- ✓ 10 yrs of experience and 6 yrs of management/supervisory
- ✓ 96 contact hours of coursework/training



## Certified Professional Public Buyer (CPPB)

For procurement professionals responsible for performing essential functions within the procurement cycle, but may or may not have management or supervisory responsibilities. Applicants for CPPB serve in responsible procurement positions with their organizations – clerical and administrative-support positions within procurement are excluded.

### Eligibility Requirements – 2 options

#### **Option 1**

- ✓ 2 yr degree
- ✓ 3 yrs of experience
- ✓ 72 contact hours of coursework/training

#### **Option 2**

- ✓ no degree
- ✓ 5 yrs of experience
- ✓ 72 contact hours of coursework/training

*\*All applicable coursework/training hours must be procurement-related and completed within the previous 10 years. For the CPPO option with no degree, all required work experience must have been completed within the previous 15 years; CPPO with a degree work experience must have been completed within the previous 10 years. For the CPPB, all work experience must have been completed within the previous 10 years from the applications submission date. A minimum of 50% of the required years of experience must be in public sector (remaining experience may be from either public or private sector).*

*“I have carried professional certification from UPPCC since 2003. Over the course of my public procurement career, this has added credibility to my body of work and enhanced my ability to create change and implement nationally recognized best practices. I strongly believe that earning certification is one of the best ways for our young professionals to solidly plug into the public procurement community.”*

**– Debra K. Carrejo-Trull,  
CPPO, CPPB - Purchasing  
Agent, County of El Paso**



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