



How to Get Certified

Thank you for your interest in becoming ACSM certified! Below is a step-by-step guide to help you navigate the certification process.

Choose the certification that best fits your education and interests:

ACSM offers several certifications based on your education and career goals:

- **ACSM Certified Personal Trainer® (CPT)** – has earned a high school diploma or GED and works with apparently healthy clients and those with stable health challenges who have been cleared to exercise independently.
- **ACSM Certified Group Exercise Instructor® (GEI)** - has earned a high school diploma and works in a group exercise setting with apparently healthy people and those with health challenges who can still exercise independently.
- **ACSM Certified Exercise Physiologist® (EP)** – has a bachelor’s degree or higher in exercise science and works with healthy clients and those with medically controlled conditions to establish safe, healthy, and effective exercise and lifestyle behaviors.
- **ACSM Certified Clinical Exercise Physiologist® (CEP)** – holds a bachelor’s or master’s degree in exercise science/clinical exercise physiology (or equivalent) with 600 (master-level) 1,200 hours (bachelor-level) of hands-on clinical experience. Use prescribed exercise and basic health behavior interventions to assist clients with chronic diseases or conditions. An application must be approved before exam scheduling;

1. Under the certification you choose, click **Get Started**:

Get Started

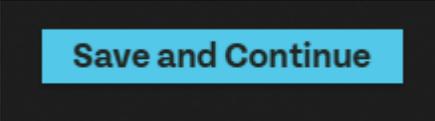
2. Upon determining which certification you’re most qualified for, you will choose which study options fit your study preferences. There are several study materials and options. You can utilize none or all of these based on your preparation needs.
3. Once you are ready to purchase and schedule your exam, you will complete the registration to schedule. From the page of your certification choice, **click Register Today**.

The ACSM Certification exam can be taken in-person at a Pearson VUE testing center, or take it online from the comfort of your own home, office or workplace!



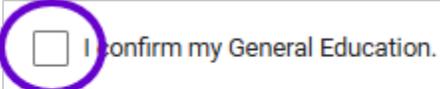
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4. Proceed through the certification application form, be sure to click Save and Continue to advance.



Save and Continue

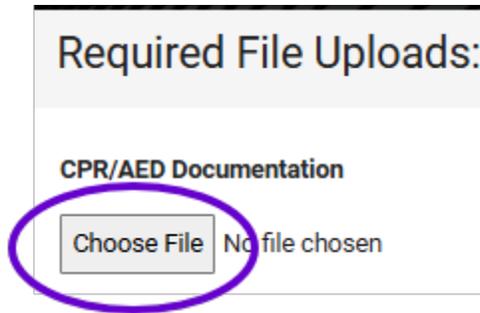
5. Read through the attestation agreements and click that you confirm and agree to the required options.



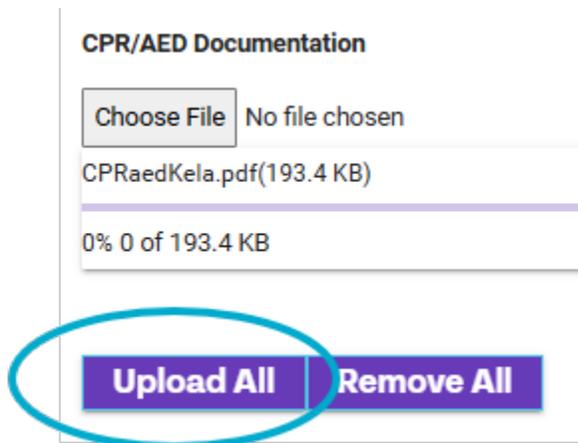
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6. If you require special accommodations in testing, please check and choose your needs. You must download the form and upload it to the application for pre-approval.
7. Please upload your degree transcript (if applicable), your CPR/AED documentation, and/or your accommodations form (if applicable).
 - a. Click Choose File



i. Once you have selected the correct file, click Upload All. You'll need to do this for each upload.



ii. Once each required document has been uploaded, the progress bar will be filled, and you'll **click Upload documentation to Save & Continue.**



8. Choose if you would like to donate to our Foundations and **click CONTINUE.**
9. Your exam fee will be in your cart. If you are a member, your member price will automatically be applied. If there is anything that you do not want to purchase at this time and it is listed in your cart, simply click the red X to remove it.
 - a. Click **Proceed to Checkout** and enter your payment information. **Click Process Payment.**
10. **Schedule your exam appointment.**

If you need to exit and return to your application at any time, log in to access your MemberHub/MyACSM account and choose **My Applications**.

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Program	Application Type	Status	Date Submitted
Application - Certified Exercise Physiologist	New Certification	Pending Submission	
Application - Certified Personal Trainer	New Certification	Pending Submission	