



The Professional Certificate of Innovative Distribution
Supply Chain Management Technology Program, Department of Innovative
Technology
Purdue University, W. Lafayette, IN

The Professional Certificate of Innovative Distribution can be earned through Purdue University upon the completion of 90 hours of instruction that meets our requirement of nine Continuing Education Units [CEUs] or CEU equivalents.

Those 90 hours can be completed by:

A combination of one [1] or [2] or [3] University of Innovative Distribution [UID] programs (each UID program counts for three CEUs), in combination with other CEUs obtained in distribution education and/or training as needed. Each Continuing Education Unit [CEU] or CEU equivalent equals 10 hours of instruction [education and/or training]. Contact the UID Registrar, Cathy Vick, at cvick@univid.org or 410-940-6348 for verification of UID attendance.

If attending only [1] or [2] UIDs, the other required CEUs can be earned through a wide variety of education and training venues. Educational programs sponsored by UID co-sponsoring associations do qualify -- including education seminars/sessions/workshop at conventions, state meetings, etc., individual courses offered by associations through their resource centers, educational foundations, as well as other demonstrated education/training venues.

CEUs or CEU equivalents can also be earned by employees that attend their own company's training, as well as attending courses offered by their suppliers and/or customers. To be eligible, the information should be documented on the application form: the type of training completed, the number of hours completed, the name of the presenter, and an outline and/or copy of the course materials. It is also possible to use product training. Again, complete information is required for all sessions. Courses earning documented CEUs that are offered by outside contractors such as the American Management Association, the American Society for Quality or other educational, professional and/or training firms may also be used to satisfy the CEU requirements.

In summary, applicants can earn the nine CEUs required to earn the certificate by:

1. Earning three [3] CEUs by attending one [1] UID program, plus an additional six [6] CEUs (60 hours of educational instruction/training) from a variety of resources such as the members' association and/or other sources of educational training; **OR**
2. Earning six [6] CEUs by attending two [2] UID programs, plus an additional three [3] CEUs (30 hours of educational instruction/training) from a variety of resources such as the members' association and/or other sources of educational training; **OR**
3. Earning nine [9] CEUs by attending three [3] UID programs. Completion of three [3] UID programs will automatically result in the award of a certificate.

CEU credits can be easily obtained through UID-based educational programs, as well as association programs by providing the names of individuals attending the session(s), the number of hours training completed, and a copy of the materials used at the program. An application form can be found at www.univid.org. This information can be submitted directly to Dr. Kathyne Newton, Coordinator, University of Innovative Distribution, Professor of Supply Chain Management Technology, Purdue University, 155 S. Grant St., W. Lafayette, IN 47907-2114. Tele: 765-494-6080, Fax: 765-496-2519, kanewton@purdue.edu.

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