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***Financial Management -  
Professional Development***



***Certification  
Guidelines***

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# ***Professional Development - Certification Guidelines***

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- **Level Certification is measure of Merit for Air Force Financial Managers and based on:**
  - **General Education**
  - **Technical/Professional Military Education**
  - **Experience**
  - **Relevant Test Based Certification (CDFM/CGFM/etc)**
  - **Continuing Professional Education**



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# SAF/FM Guidelines - Level Certification

## ■ **Level I** (Command Approved) - GS-9/12, E7/9, 2Lt/Capt

- Bachelors w/ at least 12 FM Type Credits
- FM Staff Officers Course (FMSOC)
- Squadron Officers/Senior NCO School

### APDP Level I

- BA Desired
- 1Yr Experience
- ACQ 101
- 2 BCF Courses

## ■ **Level II** (Command Approved) - GS-13/14, Maj/Lt Col

- Level I plus Graduate Work
- 6 Yrs experience (2 FM disciplines desired)
- Professional Mil Comptroller School (PMCS)
- Air Command and Staff College (ACSC)
- Encouraged to pass Certified Defense Financial Manager (CDFM)

### APDP Level II

- BA Desired
- 2Yr Experience
- ACQ 201
- 2 BCF Courses

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# SAF/FM Guidelines - Level Certification

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## ■ Level III (SAF/FM Approved) - GS-15/Col, SES/GO

- Level II + completion of MA/MS w/ at least 6 FM credits
- 4 more Yrs experience with 2 FM disciplines required
- Air War College or equivalent
- CDFM Strongly Encouraged

### APDP Level III

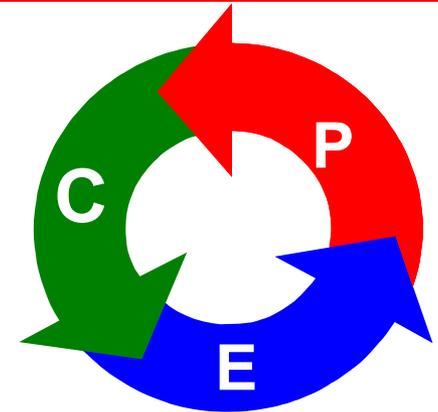
- BA Desired
- 4 Yr Experience, BCF 301

## ■ All Levels Require:

- Continuing Professional Education
  - 80 Hrs Every 2 Yrs w/ at least
  - 20 in each year

=== Concentrate on Broadening ===

**Maximize Distance Learning**





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