

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?

The IIA offers ethics training – including this [OnDemand Ethics Course](#) – and is working with IIA affiliates to provide additional ethics courses to certified individuals to meet the requirement in 2018. Individuals are able to obtain ethics training from their employers, as well as other non-IIA related organizations.

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 Customer Relations at CustomerRelations@theiia.org.