

The CSAC Institute Credentials

Demonstrate your commitment to continuing your education by earning a credential from CSAC Institute.



Participants examine current issues and best practices in group discussions

Granted by the California State Association of Counties Institute, the credential provides recognition of the enhancement of leadership practices and knowledge capacity; increasing ability to better address the complex challenges facing communities today.

For new and experienced California county officials and staff, the credential is a rare opportunity for quality, professional learning.



California State Association of Counties
California Counties Foundation, Inc.

ABOUT CSAC

The **California State Association of Counties (CSAC)** is the voice of California's 58 counties at the state and federal level. The Association's long-term objective is to significantly improve the fiscal health of all California counties – from Alpine County with a little more than 1,200 people to Los Angeles County with more than 10 million – so they can adequately meet the demand for vital public programs and services. CSAC also places a strong emphasis on educating the public about the value and need for county programs and services.



CSAC Institute is operated by the **California Counties Foundation**, a 501(c)(3) charity, on behalf of CSAC. The Foundation provides professional development, research and analysis, and educational services to California county elected officials and staff.



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Continuing Education
for California Counties

CSAC Institute Credential Programs



Recognizing the continuing education achievements of County Supervisors, executives and senior managers



The Institute

FOR EXCELLENCE IN COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Credentialing Opportunities

CSAC Institute offers a unique opportunity for county supervisors and senior staff to be recognized for continuing their professional education. Earning an Institute Credential provides visible acknowledgement of your commitment to expand your capacity to better serve your community.

The Credentials

The Institute offers three Credentials



Credentialed County Supervisor for elected county supervisors.



Credentialed County Senior Executive for senior executives, managers and elected department directors.



Credentialed County Technology Executive for IT directors and senior managers.

Requirements

Each credential requires completion of 30 credits: We recommend 15 credits from the core courses (100 level) and 15 from elective courses (300, 400 level courses). Most Institute courses are three credits and represent six hours of class time.

Participants are encouraged to complete their credential program within 24 months, although extensions are granted.

The Institute

CSAC Institute offers over 80 professional courses designed specifically for county supervisors and staff. Each course is built on a foundation of leadership and policy competencies expected of effective county officials.

Courses offer practical approaches and "take home" value in a class setting which encourages interaction with peers and shared learning.



Practical application and active learning highlight Institute courses

Each course is designed to help participants:

- ♦ Ask *better questions* to get the information to understand issues and make better decisions
- ♦ Give *better answers* to questions and to more clearly interpret county and policy issues to constituents, the community, employees
- ♦ *Expand capacity* of individuals, the workforce and the community to be able to do ordinary things extraordinarily well
- ♦ Strengthen *leadership practices* and knowledge capacity throughout the county organization

Enrollment

All attendees automatically receive credit towards a credential for every class completed. In addition, the Institute offers a special discounted registration package for individuals who enroll in the credential program.

Participants may take courses individually and later apply all credits earned towards their credential. Registration for classes can be done anytime at the Institute website.

Registration Fees

The Institute provides a cost-effective learning resource for California Counties. The registration fee for county elected officials and employees is \$149/class.

A special discounted Credential Package is available for \$1,299. This allows participants to enroll in eleven courses; which includes an extra class. To take advantage of this offer, click on "credential package" when enrolling for your first class. Subsequent course enrollment will not require payment.

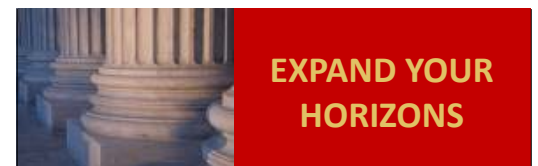


Expert faculty with real-world experience share their knowledge in each class

Discounts are also available when registering for three or more classes at the same time.

Recognition

Participants who complete their credential receive the framed Credential, Credential pin, recognition at a CSAC statewide meeting, have their name posted on the Institute Web site, and are eligible to become Fellows of the Institute.



For current course schedules, descriptions and registration, please visit the Institute website at:

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