Certified Licensing Professional (CLP) Program Summary

The Certified Licensing Professional (CLP) professional certification distinguishes those who have demonstrated experience, proficiency, knowledge and exposure to licensing and commercialization of intellectual property (IP) through active involvement in patenting, marketing, valuation, IP law, negotiation, business development and intellectual asset management. The CLP community includes professionals from 30 countries who work in a diverse range of practice settings, including university tech transfer offices, law firms, research entities, non-profits, corporations, hospitals, and in private practice.

Why Earn CLP Certification?

- ✓ Establish credibility among colleagues and peers

- ✓ Exhibit knowledge and understanding of the latest industry practices

- ✓ Fulfill personal and professional goals for career development

- ✓ Expand opportunities for career advancement and job mobility

- ✓ Validate and recognize your experience and qualifications

- ✓ Demonstrate your commitment to professional development and your licensing career

CLP Eligibility Requirements

1. **Education**: Bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited college/university

2. **Experience**: Minimum 3 years of professional-level licensing experience within the previous 8 years and have worked in the licensing field within the previous 12 months

3. **Professional References**: Contact information for two professional references who can attest to one's licensing education and experience

Steps to Earn and Maintain Certification

1. Meet minimum eligibility requirements.

2. Apply for the exam.

3. After application approval, schedule the exam appointment.

   ▸ In 2024, the testing windows are April 1 – May 15 and September 15 – October 31.

   ▸ Exams are offered at testing centers worldwide or via live remote proctoring from your home or office, giving you the flexibility to choose the location and time that suits your schedule.

4. Prepare for the certification exam using the exam content outline, reference list and optional prep course.

   ▸ The exam covers five content areas: Opportunity Assessment, Development and Valuation; Intellectual Property Protection; Agreement Development and Drafting; Negotiation; and Agreement Management.

5. Take the exam and receive results immediately*.

   ▸ Following the testing window, passing candidates receive a secure digital badge that can be displayed on media platforms and email signatures. CLP credential holders are listed in the online credential registry and may use the credential "CLP" following their names.

   ▸ Following the close of the testing window, failing candidates receive a detailed score report and a retest attempt at no additional cost during their 13-month eligibility period.

   unless scores are held for psychometric validation (see CLP candidate handbook)

6. Complete the CLP recertification process every 3 years to demonstrate continued competence by earning professional development credits through a variety of educational activities.

For more information about the CLP certification process, contact clpinfo@licensingcertification.org.
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