CHOOSING A CREDENTIAL

NCDA CREDENTIALS
Committed to providing global leadership in competency-based credentialing for career professionals.

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Our Mission
To serve the general public and the career services community by using NCDA standards and ethics for defining roles in the field of career services and recognizing those who demonstrate and maintain a high level of professional competency.

Commitment | Competency | Certification

Our Vision
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Factors to Consider When Choosing a Credential
Job titles can be arbitrary at times, so ask yourself, “What role do I play in the field of career services?”

Factor #1
*If you are working on enhancing your involvement in the career field - what credential “ties in” with your background (experience, education and training), and therefore demonstrates to others your level of proficiency in career development?

**Factor #2**
Have you looked at the in-depth FAQs page for each of the certifications? Start there to address your initial questions such as:

* **Who is this credential for?**
* **Which career competencies form the basis of the credential?**
* **What educational requirements are needed in order to apply?**

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**Factor #3**
There is also a general FAQs page that will guide you through core questions on the process of applying for and pursuing a credential.

Factor #4
* Each credential is competency based, meaning it has a set of “requirements” with guidelines, for industry-specific practitioners.

* Each credential is independent of the other credentials and there is NOT a hierarchy of importance from least to greatest.

* Visit the Credentialing section of the NCDA website for detailed descriptions and requirements.
Credentials Offered by the Commission

Certified Career Services Provider™ (CCSP)

Certified Career Counselor Educator™ (CCCE)

Certified School Career Development Advisor™ (CSCDA)

Certified Master of Career Services™ (CMCS)

Certified Clinical Supervisor of Career Counseling™ (CCSCC)

Certified Career Counselor ™ (CCC)