



Certified Licensing Professional-Associate (CLP-A) Program Summary

The CLP-Associate (CLP-A) credential is designed for individuals who are either new to or are re-entering the licensing and technology transfer field. CLP-A allows individuals to demonstrate a commitment to the licensing profession while building experience in the fields of licensing, technology transfer or intellectual property management. The designation is a pathway to meeting the requirements for the Certified Licensing Professional (CLP) certification.

CLP-A designees gain valuable knowledge in the tasks and activities associated with the role of a licensing and tech transfer professional and demonstrate commitment to the profession through one's ability to relate knowledge gained through training, education and/or work experience.

Why Earn the CLP-A?

- ✓ Provides a tangible demonstration of knowledge attained in the early stages of the individual's licensing and technology transfer career
- ✓ Demonstrates commitment to the profession and ongoing development of knowledge and skill
- ✓ Prepares applicants for success in the field
- ✓ Establishes the basis of knowledge needed to earn the CLP certification

CLP-A Eligibility Requirements

There are two eligibility requirements – education and a professional narrative. Applicants have two options to fulfill each eligibility requirement.

- 1) **Education or Training** in the [content areas](#) covered on the CLP certification exam.
 - ▶ Complete one education or training option:
 - A. Complete a self-selected 8+ hour intensive course OR
 - B. Complete 9+ hours of self-selected training across a minimum of 3 CLP content areas through multiple education activities
 - ▶ The CLP content areas are Opportunity Assessment, Development and Valuation; Intellectual Property Protection; Agreement Development and Drafting; Negotiation; and Agreement Management.
- 2) **Professional Narrative** that encourages reflection on education, training and/or previous work experience.
 - ▶ Submit a written response to the professional narrative question based on a completed work project, OR the provided mock scenario.

Steps to Earn the CLP-A Credential

1. Meet minimum eligibility requirements.
2. Complete the online [application](#) and pay application fee.
3. Designees receive a secure digital badge to be displayed on media platforms and email signatures, showcasing the accomplishment. Designees are listed in the online credential [registry](#). Designees may use the credential "CLP-A" following their names.
4. The CLP-A is valid for three years, and recertification is not required.
 - ▶ Individuals may apply for CLP certification once [CLP eligibility requirements](#) are met. The CLP-A application fee is applied towards the CLP exam fee, providing savings on the CLP exam fee for CLP-A designees.