

## APICS CPIM (Certified in Planning and Inventory Management) Online Course

### **What are the program's main objectives?**

- The APICS Certified in Planning and Inventory Management (CPIM) program provides a comprehensive body of knowledge, best practices and standards to allow candidates to better respond to supply disruptions, respond to demand variations and manage supply chain risk.
- Earning the APICS CPIM certification demonstrates mastery in an organization's internal operations and an in-depth understanding of materials management, master scheduling, forecasting, production planning and how it applies across the extended supply chain.
- The APICS CPIM certification program was created with the following objectives in mind: inventory reduction and improvement of the inventory mix, forecast accuracy improvement and a more efficient use of the S&OP cycle, timely resource and capacity planning, a more efficient use of the ERP system

### **Who might benefit the most?**

- Experienced professionals working in the field of supply chain
- Anybody who would like to standardize and streamline his/her accumulated wealth of supply chain knowledge
- Anybody who wishes to understand how a complete cycle of planning looks like and also those aspired to apply for higher level supply chain positions

### **What is the course about?**

The APICS CPIM online course covers the following topics:

- Module 1: Supply chains and strategy
- Module 2: Sales and Operations Planning
- Module 3: Demand
- Module 4: Supply
- Module 5: Detailed schedules
- Module 6: Inventory
- Module 7: Distribution
- Module 8: Quality, technology and continuous improvement

**Do I have to take a final exam upon completing the APICS CPIM online course?**

Yes, APICS CPIM certification can be claimed only after passing the Final Exam. This is a proctored exam, which takes 3.5 hours to complete. The participants need to correctly answer the majority of 150 multiplechoice questions that form the written test. The instructor will share more details regards the Final Exam during the APICS CPIM online course.

**What will I receive upon completing my APICS CPIM online course?**

After the successful completion of your Final Exam, you will receive your APICS CPIM Certification issued directly by APICS in an electronic downloadable and printable format

**Do I need to conduct maintenance after the completion of the ASCM Planning Certificate online course?**

Yes, in order to keep your APICS CPIM Certification valid, a maintenance process every five years needs to take place. The instructor will inform you about the various way of maintenance points collection during the APICS CPIM online course

**What does the package include?**

- Fifty educational online hours led by a certified APICS Master Instructor
- APICS Online Learning System, an e-learning platform that includes the body of knowledge, a Pretest, a Posttest, Section Quizzes, two timed exams that resemble the Final Exam, a Resource Center with the PowerPoint slides the instructor uses during the online course, flashcards, extra reading material, Progress Track option, etc. The Online Learning System is accessible for one year
- The printed version of the body of knowledge available in the APICS CPIM Online Learning System (participants receive their printed books to the address of their preference). In other words, this is the second format available for you to access the body of knowledge, besides the Online Learning System.
- The body of knowledge available in the APICS CPIM Online Learning System is also downloadable electronically on your iPad or Google Play

Book and accessible both with and without a Wi-Fi connection. In other words this is the third way to access the APICS CPIM body of knowledge

- APICS Dictionary, which is also downloadable on your smartphone as an app
- Extra educational material developed by the instructor that may include prep work and white papers
- Proctored APICS CPIM Final Exam
- A free exam-retake, meaning after a possible first fail of passing the Final Exam, a second attempt is granted for free.
- The price includes a 199 EUR yearly ASCM membership.
- Dedicated administration.

So-called exam credits serve as tokens to sit for the Final Exam. The exam credits are valid for a year. For example, if you purchase your exam credits on the 23rd of March 2024, you may choose to sit for your Final Exam till the 22nd of March, 2025

In case the participant would fail the Final Exam on the first attempt, there is a possibility to purchase exam credits for the next attempt that costs 400 eur.

### **Additional information:**

- The Foundations of Supply Chain Management program is nonrefundable should a participant decide not to participate in the online course and/or decide that the program is not relevant/needed for his/her needs
- The program package is nontransferable
- Unused hours will be forfeited
- In order to succeed, participants are responsible to carry out all prep work assigned by the instructor in advance of the online class, which might include reading, quizzes, case studies
- Upon receipt of your ASCM Planning Certificate you will also receive an electronic social badge that helps you showcase the completion of your certification on social media (eg. LinkedIn)

### **What are ASCM membership benefits?**

Some of the benefits include more favorable purchases related to program packages and exams, access to the APICS Dictionary, exclusive ASCM content. For more information about membership benefits please consult:

<https://www.ascm.org/membership-community/>

**Technical prerequisites:**

- A laptop, desktop or a tablet with Wi-Fi connection as well as a smartphone are required in order to successfully follow and complete the program
- Especially in noisy environments, a headset is highly recommended
- The online courses are run using Zoom. There is no requirement to download or install any part of Zoom from the participants' point of view. The instructor will share the Zoom invitations, among other, with the prospective students in due course via email

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