Frequently Asked Questions

What is my CPD requirement if I am participating in Time-Valued CPD and Credit-Rated CPD?

If you participate in both Time-Valued CPD and Credit-Rated CPD in one year, you will have automatically have completed the RAD CPD requirement.

What is a credit?

Academic credit is a means of quantifying and recognising learning. Credit is awarded once you have successfully completed a module in recognition of the amount and depth of learning which you have achieved. Credits are then accumulated towards the total credit required for a programme of study and a qualification.

Within the UK, one credit represents 10 notional hours of learning. Notional hours of learning are the number of hours which it is expected that a learner (at a particular level) will spend, on average, to achieve the specified learning outcomes at that level. Institutions use this guide as a basis for setting the credit value of a module or programme before it is offered to students. For example, a module that is estimated to involve 150 notional hours of learning will be assigned 15 credits and one that involves 400 notional hours of learning will be assigned 40 credits.

The value of a credit will vary internationally. Please contact a higher education provider in your country to find out further information on credits in your area.

I'm not teaching RAD at the moment, but still want to keep my registration with the Academy - do I have to do CPD?

If you wish to maintain your registration with the Academy, you have to participate in RAD CPD.

I am on adoption leave. Can I apply for an exemption from CPD?

Yes, this is a valid reason to support an exemption application. Please bear in mind that we have complied an extensive list of reasons for exemptions. We understand that sometimes life gets in the way, and this may affect your ability to participate in CPD. If you are not sure whether you can apply for an exemption, please contact the Membership team for further advice and support.

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