

CPA Exam Timeline

There are three key timelines to consider for the exam process and maintaining candidacy:

If you have passed at least one section: Your timeline to complete all four parts of the exam starts from the release date of your first passing score. You have 30 months from that date to pass the remaining sections, or the first passing credit will expire. The final section needs only to be sat within the 30-month window, and the score release for the final section does not need to occur within that window.

If you have not passed any sections: Your timeline is 30 months from the date of your last score release. If you do not sit for another section within this period, you will become an inactive candidate and will need to reapply.

If you have not yet taken any sections: Your timeline begins 30 months from the date you were approved to take the exam. Failing to sit for any section within this period will result in your status as an inactive candidate, requiring you to reapply.

In all cases, it's important to be aware of the 30-month window to ensure you remain an active candidate and complete the exam requirements within the specified timeframe.



Eligibility Checklist

Additional Information

✓eScrips must be sent directly from the University to the Examination Coordinator when submitting the official Qualification Application for Eligibility.

✓Graduate level financial and managerial accounting, which is equivalent to undergraduate principles of accounting, do not count toward the required the accounting hours above principles. Duplicate courses will not count twice.

✓College credit earned outside the United States must be evaluated by NABSA's International Evaluation Service. Our website contains additional information under "Foreign Applicant Information".

✓Credit for CPA Review Courses may be counted for credit toward eligibility only if reflected on an official transcript.

IMPORTANT NOTE: There are currently two education options for CPA exam eligibility and licensure. You do not have to use the same option for both, as long as you meet the requirements for each.

For example, you can qualify for the CPA exam under the legacy 24/9 option and meet the licensure requirements under the new 24/24 option.

You must meet all requirements at the time of making application.

Before submitting your eligibility application to sit for the CPA exam, check that you have the following:

Legacy Education [Current] - Option Expires May 31, 2030

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A baccalaureate or higher degree.

The degree and all credit hours needed to qualify are posted to your official transcripts.

Requirements to sit for the Exam

_____ 24 hours of accounting above principles including external auditing or assurance

_____ 9 hours of upper level of the designated business subjects*

Requirements to License

_____ 30 hours of accounting above principles including external auditing or assurance

_____ 9 hours of upper level designated business subjects*

****The designated business subjects include economics, statistics, business law, finance, business management, marketing, business communication, risk management, insurance, management information systems or computer science.**

Revised Education Requirements [Effective Nov 1, 2026- Does Not Expire]

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A baccalaureate or higher degree.

The degree and all credit hours needed to qualify are posted to your official transcripts.

Requirements to sit for the Exam

_____ 24 hours of accounting above principles including external auditing or assurance

_____ 24 hours of upper and lower level designated business subjects*

Requirements to License

_____ 24 hours of accounting above principles including external auditing or assurance

_____ 24 hours of upper and lower level designated business subjects*

Education Self-Evaluation Worksheet

Oklahoma Accountancy Board

The Oklahoma Accountancy Board has developed a resource to assist applicants in evaluating the education needed to qualify to be a candidate for examination.

This worksheet is not to be submitted with or in lieu of the official transcript with the qualification application.

Bachelor's degree and confer date: _____

Line No.	Institution	Total Hours	Accounting* Hours	Business* Hours
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
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10				
11	Sub-total: (Sum lines 1-10 in each column)			
12	Multiply the total number of quarter hours by 0.6667 and enter in each column**			
13	Total semester hours per column (line 11&12)			

*Accounting courses must include at least one course in Auditing or Assurance with concentration in external auditing.

**This only applies to quarter hours. Do not do this if you have semester hours.