

# STUDENT PATHWAY TO AFC® CERTIFICATION

## WHAT WE BRING TO THE TABLE

- An enhancement to your degree. The AFC® Certification represents the highest standard of excellence in the field of financial counseling and education.
- Students enrolled in an AFCPE® Approved Education Program receive deep discounts to sit for the AFC® exam with a total cost of only \$465.
- An education that will prepare you to guide clients through a holistic counseling framework of life cycle financial education.
- Reduced student rates for AFCPE® Membership – only \$35/year.
- Career building resources through our online Career Center.
- Mentorship opportunities to jumpstart your career.

## EDUCATION

- Complete required coursework in an AFCPE® Approved Education Program.
- Register with AFCPE® to begin the certification process - \$50 (Study guides and review options also available).
  - All requirements must be completed within 3 years of registration.

## EXAM

- Pass the AFC® Certifying exam - \$415.
  - 165 Questions, 3 hours
  - Competencies tested were identified in the 2014 Job Analysis

## EXPERIENCE

- Acquire 1,000 hours of relevant financial counseling/financial education work experience.

## ETHICS

- Sign and agree to abide by the AFC® Code of Ethics.
- Submit 3 letters of reference attesting to professional competence – one each from a supervisor, a colleague and a client.
- Renew certification by acquiring Continuing Education Units (CEUs) biannually and paying annual certification fees.



  
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