

Adobe Certified Expert Adobe Certified Instructor

Attention Adobe software experts: Certification by Adobe is available to help you gain official recognition for your Adobe product expertise. Become Adobe certified and start reaping the benefits!

What is an ACE?

An Adobe Certified Expert (ACE) is a person who has demonstrated proficiency with one or more Adobe software products. ACE is a worldwide standard of excellence in Adobe software knowledge. To become an ACE, you must pass one or more product-specific proficiency exams and agree to the ACE terms and conditions.

What is an ACI?

An Adobe Certified Instructor (ACI) is an ACE who has taken his or her skills to the next level, and provides instruction on Adobe products. In order to become an ACI, you must show you have an instructor qualification (a teaching credential, passed the CompTIA CTT+, or equivalent), and have passed one or more ACE exams.

Certification benefits

Benefits to individuals: Getting Adobe certified gives you a powerful way to communicate your skills to the world. Whether you are a consultant, instructor, job seeker, or employee, Adobe certification is a strong validation of your knowledge. With an Adobe certification, you can:

- Leverage the power of the Adobe brand and resources
- Differentiate yourself or your business
- Get the inside track on Adobe's latest offerings

Benefits to employers: If you are an employer looking to fill a position, simplify your search by looking for candidates who are Adobe certified. Using Adobe certification as a benchmark allows you to:

- Find the right person for the job
- Quickly assess candidate skill level
- Increase productivity and efficiency

Additional benefits to ACIs:

By becoming an ACI, you will receive additional promotional and product benefits that allow you to promote your training services and prepare your Adobe course content. As an ACI, you can:

- Receive prerelease software for most Adobe products
- Get educational pricing on Adobe products, books, and training materials
- Gain permission to use the ACI logo and Adobe trademarks in advertising materials



Choose your level

There are three levels of Adobe certification. Choose the one that's right for you.

1. Single product certification: Recognizes your proficiency in a single Adobe product. To qualify as an ACE or an ACI, you must pass one product-specific exam.

(Note: ACIs must meet the additional requirements described in the "What is an ACI?" section)
2. Specialist certification: Recognizes your proficiency in a specific medium: print, Web, or video. To become certified as a Specialist, you must pass the exams on the required products listed below. Examples: ACE Print Specialist or ACI Print Specialist (with passing marks on the tests for Adobe InDesign, Adobe Acrobat, and either Adobe Photoshop or Adobe Illustrator).
3. Master certification: Recognizes your skills in the Adobe product suites. To become certified as a Master, you must pass the exam for each of the products in the suite. Example: ACE, Creative Suite Master (with passing marks on the tests for Adobe Acrobat, GoLive, Illustrator, InDesign, and Photoshop).

	PRINT	SPECIALIST: WEB	VIDEO
Adobe InDesign®	●		
Adobe GoLive®		●	
Adobe Acrobat®	●	○	
Adobe Photoshop®	○	●	●
Adobe Illustrator®	○	○	
Adobe Premiere®			●
Adobe After Effects®			●

Specialist certification

Specialists must pass all required (●) exams and any one elective (○) within any given certification track. **Note:** Exam requirements are subject to change. Please go to http://www.adobe.com/support/certification/ace_certify.html for the latest requirements.

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Exam information

Adobe ACE Exams (which are administered by Pearson VUE and Thomson Prometric, independent third-party testing companies) are computer-delivered, closed-book tests consisting of 60 to 90 multiple-choice questions. Each exam takes one to two hours to complete, and results are given to you at the testing center immediately after you finish.

The ACE Exam fee is US\$150 worldwide, and exam registration is easy. To register online or to find a Pearson Vue registration location, visit www.pearsonvue.com. To register online or to find a registration location to register online for Thomson Prometric, visit www.2test.com.

Preparing for exams

The keys to preparing for an ACE Exam are experience with the product and studying using the Exam Bulletin. To access online training, user guides, and many other study materials, visit Adobe's training resources page.

The following resources can also help you prepare for your ACE exam:

- Adobe product User Guides
- Adobe Press books
- Adobe Authorized Training Centers (find the AATC nearest you through the Adobe Partner Finder online at http://partners.adobe.com/public/partnerfinder/tp/show_find.do)
- Adobe online training at <http://adobe.elementk.com>
- Tutorials and materials from Total Training at www.totaltraining.com
- Other training resources online at www.adobe.com/support/training.html

Recertification

Your ACE or ACI certification is valid until 90 days after a new exam is published for a designated product upgrade. Adobe will e-mail you with the details about new ACE exams as well as a reminder of when your certification is due for renewal.

