

IEEE CEUs / PDHs

What is an IEEE CEU?

An IEEE CEU (Continuing Education Unit) is a currency that measures a person's participation in a formal, non-credit continuing education program, such as a workshop, seminar, tutorial, or self-study course.

IEEE Continuing Education Programs are peer-reviewed by content experts. This peer review guarantees both quality of the technical content of learning materials, as well as adherence to IEEE's strict criteria for educational excellence. All programs that pass this strict process are entitled to award IEEE Continuing Education Units (CEUs), recognized as the standard of excellence for continuing education programs in IEEE's fields of interest.

One CEU is equal to ten contact hours of instruction in a continuing education activity. Any activity less than one hour in duration is not eligible for CEUs.

Currently, [thirty states](#) (PDF, 57 KB) require Professional Development Hours (PDHs) to maintain P.E. licensure, encouraging engineers to seek CEUs for their participation in Continuing Education Programs. IEEE CEUs readily translate into PDHs. 1 CEU = 10 PDHs. Earning CEUs helps engineers meet company training requirements.

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IEEE and CEUs

IEEE maintains an official registry of all CEUs awarded. This makes accounting to state licensing boards an easier task for engineers. It also helps IEEE keep track of seminar / tutorial participants.