



CES Policy on the Credentialed Evaluator (CE) designation

Authority

This is a policy of the Canadian Evaluation Society, a duly incorporated non profit professional association for evaluation in Canada since 1981. It is approved by the primary decision making organ of CES, National Council, who has ultimate responsibility for its administration, monitoring and adherence.

Application

The policy covers a voluntary service open only to Members of CES or those willing to become Members - to avail themselves of a Credentialed Evaluator (CE) professional designation, should they meet specified requirements.

Statement of Intent & Objectives

Throughout its long history, the CES has demonstrated commitment to and leadership for the evaluation community in Canada, as demonstrated in its mission statement;

The Society will advance evaluation theory, knowledge and practice through leadership, advocacy, and professional development for members and non-members.

The creation and offering of a professional designation service is an additional effort to advance evaluation practice. Specifically the goal of professional designations is;

To define, recognize and promote the practice of ethical, high quality and competent evaluation in Canada through a program for professional designations in CES.

In doing so, CES desired to contribute to the professionalization of evaluation in Canada and brings clarity and definition for and within the Canadian evaluation practice. The Credentialed Evaluator is the first designation to be developed and may lay the foundation for other designations as it evolves and matures.

Definition

A Credentialed Evaluator is given to mean – “*the holder has provided evidence of education and experience to be competent.*”

Requirements

The requirements to obtain the credential designation include:

1. Graduate level education demonstrated through a degree or certificate; and
2. Two years of evaluation-related work experience within the last 10 years; and
3. Alignment of experience and / or education to 70% of the competencies in each of the 5 domains in the Competencies for Canadian Evaluation Practice.

The requirement to retain the CE designation includes:

1. 40 hours of professional development over three years



Explanatory details and further definitions on each of these requirements are contained in Guidelines for the CE.

Roles

CES has primary responsibility for the delivery of this voluntary service to CES Members through the establishment of an efficient and sustainable infrastructure. The CE will be administered through a Professional Designations Program (PDP), under the management of a Vice President, Professional Designations Program and reporting to the President, CES. Dimensions of the Professional Designations program are provided in the CE Guidelines and include an administrative support and a decision making organ.

The Vice President, PDP as a member of CES Executive and National Council will ensure the delivery of the CE is well integrated with other CES services through collaboration with existing CES Standing Committees and Administrative support.

Accountabilities

The Vice President of the Professional Designations Program is responsible for the implementation, monitoring, evaluation and reporting on this Member service. This includes:

- reporting at each National Council meeting on CE operational data (demand, supply & turnaround)
- reporting to CES Members at the Annual General Meeting
- reporting on an ad hoc basis on changes and modifications to CE Guidelines during the implementation and delivery of this service
- reporting on the evaluation of this service on a systematic basis (determined in the Guidelines)
- bringing to Executive and National Council any fundamental CE changes or modifications to this policy, for consideration

The President, CES is responsible to ensure responsibilities and accountabilities of the Vice President of Professional designations program are met.

National Council has overall accountability for adherence to both the intent and requirements of this policy and reporting on same to CES Members at large.

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