Category Management Association Accreditation



Shop! ANZ is the agent for the Category Management Association









Our Mission

The CMA, a Professional Association, exists to help its members drive meaningful category and brand growth by building shopper satisfaction and facilitating strategic collaboration between retailers, suppliers and solution providers.

The CMA...

- Provides broad thought leadership;
- Establishes industry benchmarks and best practices;
- Develops relevant certification/continuing education/collegiate curriculum;
- Facilitates collaboration and networking; and
- Creates robust and rewarding career paths and professional development





Our Commitment

The CMA is committed to continue:

- Providing broad thought leadership
- Establishing industry benchmarks and best practices
- Developing relevant certification/continuing education/collegiate curriculum
- Facilitating collaboration and networking
- Creating robust and rewarding career paths and professional development
- Growing in CMA's services:
 - Member Services
 - Conferences
 - Best Practices/Consulting
 - Strategic Alliances/Partnerships
 - Career Services
 - Certification
- Living in a non-competitive environment



CMA members include























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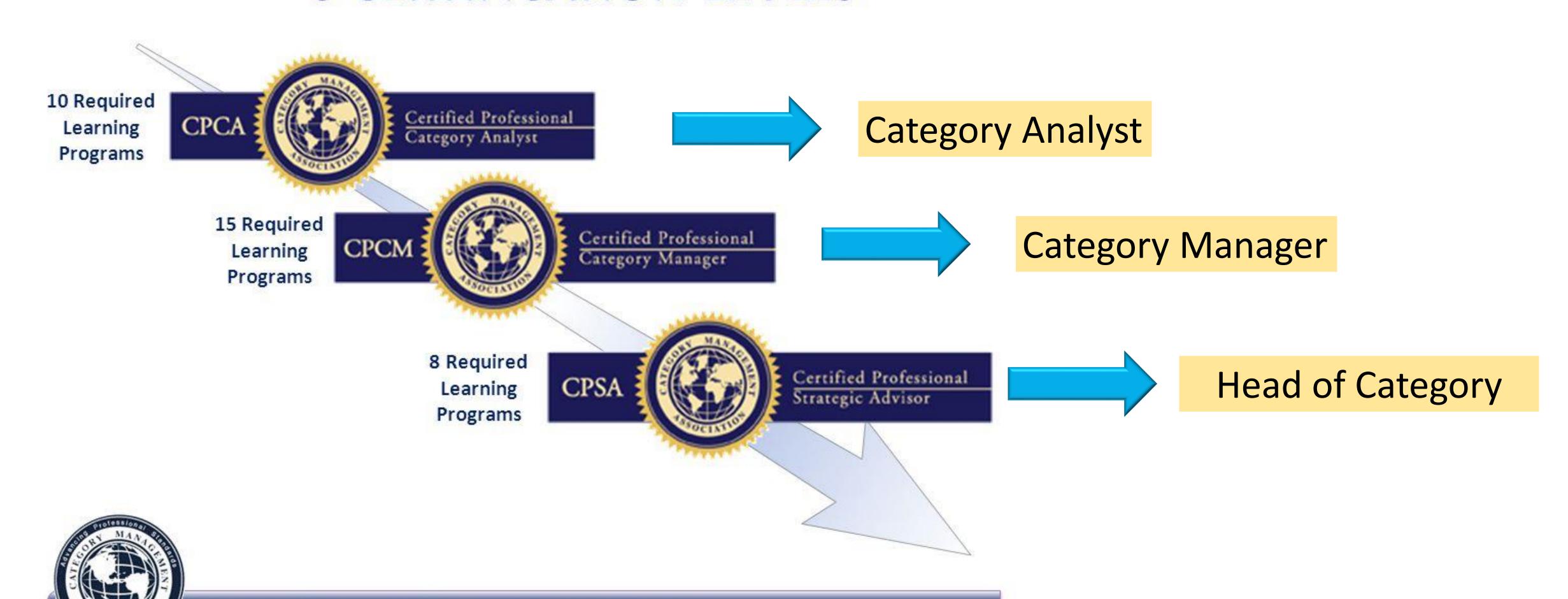
Exactly what does this mean?

- 1. Certification Internationally recognised
- 2. US Content
- 3. CMA Conference 23-26th February Dallas TX



3 CERTIFICATION LEVELS

Category Management Association Certification





Why Certification?

Certification addresses the following industry needs:

- A world wide talent focus
- Objective testing to determine proficiency
- Clear terminology and program presentation
- International



The industry standards are the foundation of The CMA Certification Program

- Certification standards are constantly evaluated to ensure they reflect current industry best practice
- The current standards are being revised to address Cat Man 2.0
- Revised standards were introduced in 2017



Certification - CPCA



Objective testing is required for CPCA Certification

- The CPCA test consists of 60 multiple choice questions drawn directly from the learning outcomes for the Learning Programs identified in the CMA standards.
- The test must be completed in 75 minutes
- Testing is randomized; meaning each test is constructed by drawing from a 165 question pool.
- Test question distribution is as follows:
 - Basic Industry Knowledge 9 Questions
 - Category Management History & Process 9 Questions
 - Pricing Analysis 7 Questions
 - Assortment Analysis 7 Questions
 - Promotion Analysis 7 Questions
 - Syndicated Scanner Data 7 Questions
 - Syndicated Panel Data 7 Questions
 - Retailer POS Data 7 Questions



Certification - CPCM



Objective testing is required for CPCM Certification

- The CPCM test consists of 70 multiple choice questions drawn directly from the learning outcomes for the Learning Programs identified in the CMA standards.
- The test must be completed in 90 minutes
- Testing is randomized; meaning each test is constructed by drawing from a 200 question pool.
 - Assortment Analysis 7 Questions
 - Syndicated Scanner Data 7 Questions
 - Syndicated Panel Data 7 Questions
 - Retailer POS Data 7 Questions
 - Space Management 7 Questions
 - Store Level Data 7 Questions
 - Syndicated Geodemographic Data 7 Questions
 - Opportunity Identification for Actionable Insights 7 Questions
 - Understanding Category Shopper Behavior
 - Category Management



Certification - CPSA



Essay testing is required for CPSA

- The CPSA test consists of 8 essay questions drawn from each of the 8 Learning Program identified in the CMA standards.
- Each of these essay questions asks the candidates to identify projects they have completed in the past that align their experiences to the Learning Program outcomes identified in the standards.
- There is no time limit for the exam and while you submit the exam on line you can construct your answers in a word document



"I've been working in Category for years. Do I need to do training?"

- No, you don't need to complete training to get certified
 - There is an exam for each level
 - If you pass the exam, you're Certified
- You can do any exam first, so if you're experienced you can do the exam for the CPSA
- There is a practise test if you're not sure what level you are at



What if I want training?

Category Management Knowledge Group training is ready *now*

 We're talking to other training providers and working on getting more accredited training options





CPCA or CPCM program for US\$749



Exam Costs

exchange rate	\$ 0.74			
	Member AU\$	Mer	on mber U\$	Exam Format
Assessment	\$ 75.00	\$	150.00	Multiple choice
Registration	\$ 140.00	\$	280.00	
CPCA Test	\$ 190.00	\$	380.00	Multiple choice
CPCM Test	\$ 330.00	\$	660.00	Multiple choice
CPSA	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,	000.00	Essay / Short Answer



This is just the beginning....

- We are starting with Category certification
- There are options for
 - Industry benchmarking
 - Best Practices / Consulting
 - Certification in Shopper Insights





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