

Georgia Certified Appraiser Designation (GCA) Requirements

The Georgia Certified Appraiser (GCA) designation is an official commendation bestowed by the Georgia Association of Assessing Officials (GAAO) on those of its members who have demonstrated the possession of excellent knowledge and skills in the mass appraisal of property for ad valorem purposes. It is an honor to achieve the designation and each member of GAAO is encouraged to strive to achieve this distinction.

GCA Designation Requirements

The GCA designation is fundamentally associated with GAAO, and the professionalism of its grantees reflects further on the integrity and judgment of the grantors. Further, it presupposes a certain level of expertise in mass appraisal theory and familiarity with Georgia’s laws and procedures; therefore, continued membership in GAAO is a prerequisite for maintaining the designation. GAAO reserves the right to demand the return of the GCA certificate should the holder of the designation cease to belong to GAAO. Requirements for applicants attempting to obtain the GCA designation are:

- Must be a member in good standing with GAAO for one year before filing an application for candidacy and receiving the certificate.
- Must be employed by the state of Georgia, a county in the state of Georgia, or a joint city/county government in the field of property mass appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes.
- Must have received a certificate acknowledging the passing of the Appraiser IV examination and continue to be certified as an Appraiser IV by the Georgia Department of Revenue (DOR).
- Must submit evidence of having successfully completed 60 hours of elected continuing education (CE) from the Georgia Certification Program.
- Must submit evidence of having successfully completed a designation from “International Association of Assessing Officials (IAAO)”.

Upon successfully completion, the candidate must submit an affidavit attesting to experience and provide a letter of recommendation from their Board of Assessors and/or Chief Appraiser before the designation can be conferred.

GCA Designation Program Fees

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Candidacy Application Fee	\$100
Candidacy/Designation Annual Dues	\$100

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