

The Benefits of Belonging

In addition to its many other benefits, membership in Delta Kappa Gamma can provide an easy and interesting route by which to maintain your Arizona State Teacher Certificate.

(Basic estimate is shown; document more, and earn up to 30 hours per year in each category)

	Hours
SAMPLE for all members:	
• Fall Workshop—three one-hour workshops or comparable events	3
• The All-member Business Meeting—an additional hour of credit	1
• Try the Omicron State Spring Convention workshops for an additional three hours of credit.	3
• The Convention Business Meeting? Another hour of credit, of course.	1
• When your chapter meetings involve education-related events, say, six times per year, that's six hours of credit. (Be fair, though, and do not include the holiday tea or similar personal growth items.)	6
Membership total	14
SAMPLE for chapter presidents (After your biennium, be a state committee member/chairmen, or other chapter/state officer to earn comparable hours)— <i>in addition</i> to the membership hours:	
• Attend presidents training; add another two credit hours (yearly average per biennium)	2
• Planning time for chapter meetings (half the meeting time for six meetings)	3
• Chapter executive board meeting, chapter finance committee meeting, etc.	2
Officer total	7

Life is simple for the active Delta Kappa Gamma member—Here is the math when you add good times and a few events: 21 hours per year x 6 years = 126 of the 180 education credits needed for recertification.

Document just half the maximum allowed, 30 hours x 6 years, and Delta Kappa Gamma alone provides the full 180 hours needed for recertification.

Excerpts from AZ Dept. of Education Application for Renewal of Certificate, Section 4:

Professional Development requires the completion of activities after the most recent issuance or renewal of the certificate and shall relate to Arizona academic or professional educator standards or apply toward the attainment of an additional Arizona certificate, endorsement or approved area. Professional development shall consist of any of the following activities:

Professional Development Activities	Documentation Required
Professional conferences and workshops related to the profession of teaching or the field of public education.	Conference agenda and a statement or certificate from the sponsoring organization noting clock hours earned in training sessions. Limited to 30 clock hours per year.
Serving in a leadership role of a professional organization related to the profession of teaching or the field of public education.	Written verification by the governing body of the professional organization of the dates of service and clock hours earned. Limited to 30 clock hours per year.