

NM Certified Public Official Requirements Checklist

The NM **EDGE** (Education Designed to Generate Excellence in the public sector)
 A Program of NM Cooperative Extension Service

NM Certified Public Official Curriculum Checklist

Successful completion of the following **21** classes & culminating experience are required to earn a NM Certified Public Official designation (NM CPO). For further information contact nmedge@nmsu.edu or go to nmedge.nmsu.edu

		2025
Classes	Each class is three hours of classroom instruction.	Honing Event
Core Competencies		10 classes required
Take each of the following:		In-Person/Online
CPM 111- Knowing Your Government		June/Jan, March, Sept
CPM 122- Congratulations You're a Leader		March, September
CPM 131- General Human Resources		March, September
CPM 138- Conflict Resolution Among Employees		March, September
CPM 144- Risk Management		March, September
CPM 151- Foundations for Communications		January, June
CPM 154- Effective Meetings by Design		March, September
CPM 156- Improving Writing Skills		June, September
PE 110 A & B- Ethics: Know the Law (2 classes same day)		January, June
Government		1 class in this section
CPM 112- Answering the Call to Public Service or CPM 113- Knowing the Law I		January/June January, September
Ethics		2 classes in this section
CPM 121- Ethics and Professionalism or CPM 139- Creating an Ethical Culture or CPM 142- Ethics and Managing Public Funds or CARE 111A & 111B (2 classes taken the same day)		January/June January, June January /March January
Leadership		1 class in this section
CPM 125- Developing a Professional Workplace or CPM 133- Creating a Safe and Productive Workplace or CPM 157- Creating a Service-oriented Culture		January/June January, June January, June
Information Technology		1 class in this section
CPM 161- Making the Most of the Web or CPM 261 – Current issues in information technology or CPM 265- IT for Non-IT Users		January/June January/March June/September
Electives: Take six electives from any prefix: AO, AOTO, CPM, CARE, CES, DWI, EDS, AO, CL, CO, FP, GIS, IT, JP, NMP, NMF, PE, SH, RM, or TO		6 classes in this section
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Don't Forget the Culminating Experience!		
Once you have completed all required classes, please submit an audit request to be assigned an academic advisor for your culminating experience. https://nmedge.nmsu.edu/students/graduating.html		