

ABOUT AST&L® CERTIFICATION

AST&L® helps you underscore your knowledge and experience by providing you with globally recognised credentials the PLS and CTL. AST&L® Certification is based on a self-study programme with online exam modules. Each module utilises textbooks and is supported by a study guide and sample questions.

AST&L® partners with universities, APICS, community colleges and industry organisations offering education toward certification.



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The American Society of Transportation and Logistics Inc (AST&L)® partners with Pathfinder Logistic Solutions to help position you as a recognized leader in the transportation and logistics industry.

PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION IN LOGISTICS AND SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT (PLS)

This is the entry level certification for those entering the transportation and logistics profession.

Knowledge represented by the PLS designation is fundamental for understanding logistics and supply chain management and prepares you for a rewarding career in this challenging profession.

PLS training topics include issues confronting supply chain managers around the globe: competitive strategy, customer value and service, logistics costs and performance, responsiveness, lead-time management, collaboration across multiple enterprises, globalization, risk management, integration of supply chain processes and transforming the logistics organisation.

The PLS Fee includes a study guide and the exam. Membership of AST&L® is recommended, if you are a SAPICS Student Member this qualifies you for AST&L® student membership .

The examination consists of multiple choice questions selected from material contained in the following textbooks as well as selected outside readings: Christopher, Martin, Logistics & Supply Chain Management: Creating Value-adding Networks, 3rd Edition, London, UK, Pitman Publishing ISBN 0-273-68176-1.

The PLS requires recertification every 5 years. Requirements for re-certification include attending an industry-related conference, industry-related education program or completing a module in the AST&L® CTL Certification Program.

CERTIFICATION IN TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS (CTL)

This programme offers the designation CTL (Certified in Transportation and Logistics) to candidates who demonstrate their understanding of the fundamentals of the profession through the successful completion of four modules of required study material as well as two of the elective modules. It is possible for candidates to receive waivers on the basis of previous education – please ask us for details. There is a 5 year maximum time limit after the successful completion of the first examination or receipt of the first waiver for acceptance of completed requirements. The exams generally consist of objective and/or essay type questions.



AST&L® began the CTL Certification Program in 1948, and is known as the premier credential in the transportation/logistics industry. The exam modules are constantly revised to keep with the needs of transportation logistics professionals. To qualify an individual must have earned an undergraduate degree or three years of professional experience. The certification is granted to individuals who successfully complete six of the following exam modules:

Three Compulsory Subjects

Transportation Economics Management
Logistics Management
International Transport & Logistics

Plus Three Elective Subjects chosen from the following:

Creative Component
Logistics Analysis
Supply Chain Management
Logistics and Supply Chain Strategy
Lean Logistics (Coming Soon)
Logistics Finance (Coming Soon)
General Management Principles & Techniques

Use your APICS CPIM or CSCP to jumpstart you on the path to earning your CTL. Your CPIM will qualify you to submit a waiver for the core Logistics Management module, while the CSCP will qualify you to submit a waiver for the Supply Chain Management elective.

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