

## Who should become a CCA?

- Consultants and farm managers
- Field agronomists or salespeople working in public, private, or commercial sectors
- Government and academic scientists and agronomy researchers
- Natural resource conservation personnel
- Educators and extension specialists
- Technical support personnel



**CERTIFIED  
CROP ADVISER**

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## WESTERN REGION CERTIFIED CROP ADVISER PROGRAM

The Western Region CCA program is a professional certification program that has provided a vital link between the production agricultural businesses, academic/research institutions and governmental agencies for over 20 years. Any individual whose education, experience, and career path are associated with the practice of agronomy and who wants to serve and protect the public interest to the best of their ability should apply.

In the Western Region there are over 1,200 Certified Crop Advisers providing advice to growers. This group of commercial, public and independent advisers plays a crucial role in helping growers meet the profitability and environmental challenges of California and Arizona agriculture.

CCA Certification is the standard by which Agronomy Professionals are judged nationwide.

### Get Certified

- Pass two comprehensive exams (offered in February and August of each year) that cover nutrient, soil and water, crop, and integrated pest management
- At least two years of documented crop advising experience (along with references) for those that hold a Bachelor of Science degree OR four years of documented post-high school advising experiences (with grower references)
- Sign and follow the CCA Code of Ethics to always focus on grower profitability while optimizing and protecting natural resources
- Earn 40 hours of continuing education\* every two years so that you remain up to date on the latest information, developments and technology in the industry
- To get started, visit [certifiedcropadviser.org](http://certifiedcropadviser.org)

*\*Most Pest Control Adviser hours can be applied.*

### Benefits of Certification

- Enhanced marketability to employers
- Increased income potential as nitrate mitigation and water conservation consultation needs increase
- An additional level of professionalism that is recognized by farmers, ranchers, and agribusiness