

Q&A From ICRM Business Meeting

Q1. Is the intro to the ICRM presented on a regular basis? How is it announced?

Yes, the Intro to ICRM Certification is presented a few times a year. It is announced on our [Exam Prep Workshop Page](#), through social media, and via email to Candidates. We hope to release 2026 dates within the next few weeks.

Another helpful resource is our [ICRM Office Hours](#). Candidates and CRAs are encouraged to attend so they can ask any of their questions about the application and exam process. [Visit our website to register](#) for our next Office Hours on Tuesday, February 10 at 1:00pm ET.

Q2. How many CRAs eventually become CRMs

We currently don't know the exact answer, but anecdotally, we find that the majority of our CRAs work towards obtaining their CRMs. We are working to get more accurate information in the future.

Q3. What is the breakdown between CRA and CRM applicants

We do not have a breakdown as the application for CRAs and CRMs is currently the same. The CRA and CRM application was combined into one to help streamline the application process since the eligibility requirements for both are currently the same.

In addition, it should be noted that we encourage all candidates to first obtain their CRA certification so that they have a certification sooner and then have unlimited time to work towards their CRM.

Q4. Are we considering adding specialty designations in the future?

Yes. We are evaluating specialty designations and developing a criteria for this growth opportunity.

Q5. Do you know why there is a trend toward a greater number of CRAs and fewer number of CRMs?

One reason we see a larger number of CRAs is that the CRA requires three exams, so candidates can complete it more quickly. The CRM, with its six-part exam structure, naturally takes longer to achieve, so more individuals remain in the CRA stage for a period of time. Many also view the CRA as a valuable standalone credential and choose not to pursue the CRM immediately—or at all.

Our academic partnerships also play a role. Graduates entering the profession through these programs typically begin as CRAs, which increases the number at that level.

Q6. How many CRMs and candidates from Japan?

Unfortunately, we do not have any CRMs or Candidates from Japan at this time.

Q7: How do we decide which academic partnerships to pursue? I know UBC and others do a lot of work in AI, blockchain and data integrity.

Send all suggestions! The committee will follow up.

Q8: If we have questions for a particular Regent, where should they be sent?

Please share any questions to icrm@caphill.com and the office can share with the appropriate Regent.

Q9. Does the ICRM Business Meeting count towards CMPs?

No, the Business Meeting is not eligible for CMPs.

A few comments from the attendees!

- *The financial support you were able to offer from the Friyay trivia contests and the John Krysa scholarship was very helpful.*
- *Thanks Peter K for re-establishing the ICRM Newsletter*
- *The exam preparation on the website including the practice test questions are very helpful*