Association Courses

Many Canadian associations offer export training courses tailored specifically to the geographical or industrial interests of their members, on an as-required basis. Largely one-day, introductory seminars, they provide a taste of the export market and may provide businesses with issues and contacts for further study. The two associations listed below present longer, more in-depth courses than those offered in other industries, but contact your local association for more information on their export-related courses.

Professional Education Course

CIFFA's Professional Education Course is available to all association members interested in the theory and mechanics of handling international freight cargo. Throughout the two-term, two-year program, students complement their home study with seminars on issues such as international payments, Incoterms and international transportation law in order to earn the CIFFA Education Certificate.

For more information about CIFFA and its courses, contact:

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The CSCB offers two courses dealing specifically with exports and the customs broker industry. Most courses are offered by correspondence and are open to both CSCB members and non-members.

CSCB Introductory Course

Designed as a refresher or as a basic program for industry newcomers, this self-paced course contains basic information on importing, exporting and the role of the customs broker.

CSCB Qualification Course

This comprehensive two-year program is open to individuals employed by customs brokers or who are in the customs department of importing companies. Supplementary study groups provided by divisional representatives help to prepare individuals for the CSCB and government-recognized Customs Brokers Qualifying Examination.

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