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NOTICE TO APPRAISERS REGARDING CREDIT FOR
DISTANCE EDUCATION (ONLINE) COURSES

In accordance with a November 20, 2009 directive issued by the Appraisal Subcommittee (ASC), the only organization currently authorized to approve distance education courses is the International Distance Education Certification Corporation (IDECC).

Appraisers who have completed distance education courses that were not approved by IDECC ("non-IDECC") and which have not been credited by the Department toward an appraiser credential will not be eligible to receive credit for those courses. Similarly those who are currently enrolled in such courses will not receive credit for them if they are submitted for any credential in the future.

Any credentials granted prior to November 20, 2009 for non-IDECC courses will be unaffected by this directive.

To further clarify the crediting procedure for non-IDECC courses:

Credentials granted prior to November 20, 2009: approvals remain valid and credentials are unaffected.

Appraisers who have completed a non-IDECC course, but did not submit it for credit toward a license or upgrade prior to November 20, 2009: no credit will be given for that course.

Appraisers who are currently enrolled in a non-IDECC course: no credit will be given for that course.