

## Professional Development Hour (PDH) Matrix

Code	Type of Geoscience Activity	Length of time	Attendee/Participant	Instructor/Professor***
M	Society/Organization/Public meetings	50-60 minutes	1	3
C	Conference/Seminar/Course/Webinar	15 minutes†	0.25	0.75
		20 minutes†	0.33	1
		30 minutes†	0.5	1.5
†Use these time increments for activities over an hour				
Allowable PDH credits per geoscience activity per year - <b>only 10 PDH combined from codes (N,F,S,V) allowed</b>				
M	Geological Society meetings	per hour	12 maximum	Monthly luncheon presentations
N	Engineering/Environmental meeting/geology content	per hour	5 maximum	Must be relevant to the field of geoscience
F	Field Trips*	per hour	5 maximum	Must be offered by an organization/school/society/etc.
S	Self directed educational study/short courses**	per hour	5 maximum	Papers, journals, research, videos, tours, etc.
V	Geological Society/Organization volunteerism	per hour	5 maximum	Board, committee, activity member
E	Geoscience Ethics	per year	1 minimum	Excess may not be carried over
A	Authorship of Geological Content (upon publication)	Paper	10	Must be a peer reviewed paper
		Book	45	Must be primary or co-author, not contributing author
U	College Course - Quarter Hour***	10/credit hour	10 on passing	30 per credit hour (claim same course once per 5 years)
U	College Course - Semester***	15/credit hour	15 on passing	45 per credit hour (claim same course once per 5 years)
Minimum annual PDH for license renewal:		14 Geoscience Topics	1 Geoscience Ethics	Extra PDH (except ethics) may carry over up to 3 years

**NOTE:** Accredited Continuing Educational Unit (ACEU): 1 CEU = 10 PDH; 1 PDH = 1 clock hour

\*Field trips claim only time in field, no travel time - maximum of 5 PDH.

\*\*Successful completion of correspondence, televised, electronically recorded and other short course/tutorials.

\*\*\*Instructors receive 3 times the PDH for presentations (once per presentation, including field trips). Instructors may count the same university course once every 5 years.

**Certain exemptions (military, expatriot employment, long term disability) may be allowed upon a licensee's request (see LAC 46, LXII.1301.G)**

**!! NOTE: ALL ACTIVITIES MUST BE GEOSCIENCE RELATED AND HAVE ORGANIZATIONAL DOCUMENTATION (LAC:46.LXII.1301.D) !!**

Audits will be conducted randomly and/or as needed to confirm continuing activities each year. Each licensee is responsible for collecting and maintaining proof of attendance and completion of CE activities. Auditees who fail an audit will be reviewed the following year.