



CRaG Systems Modelling Training and Consultancy

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Certification Policy

CRaG Systems courses do not cater for those with little or no business or system analysis experience who are seeking certification as a stepping stone towards a formal qualification. A certificate of completion of the course can be provided on request but there is currently no formal certification process for that which is taught on CRaG Systems courses. These courses are, instead, designed for experienced business and system analysts and developers who wish to learn how to use a particular modelling syntax within the context of a well defined model-driven software development process, for business process improvement or for systems engineering.

Corporate customers often comment that CRaG Systems courses are well in advance of courses that follow the ISEB curriculum of the British Computer Society or other curricula. It is our intention to keep them this way and to continue to provide courses that teach sophisticated techniques to the already experienced rather than just the basics to beginners. This is what distinguishes CRaG Systems from the vast majority of organisations who prefer to follow a curriculum specified by a standards body.

UML Certification

Having said all that, the modelling taught on the 5 day Business Analysis, Requirements Definition and System Analysis using UML course, while not entirely aligned, is sufficient to pass both the ISEB Certificate in Modelling Business Processes and the ISEB Certificate in System Modelling Techniques. The British Computer Society (BCS) site provides a list of locations where these exams can be taken and those companies that provide training aimed specifically at passing these exams.

The Object Management Group who control the UML specification have a OMG Certified UML Professional (OCUP) program with three levels: Fundamental, Intermediate and Advanced. The exams can be taken in many countries at one of the many Pearson Vue Testing Centres near you. CRaG Systems courses between them cover the majority of what is needed to pass the Fundamental and Intermediate exams. However, no CRaG Systems course, or series of courses, covers all parts of the UML specification that is tested in the exams.

BPMN Certification

The Object Management Group also control the BPMN specification and have a similar OMG Certified Expert in BPM (OCEB) program with two tracks and three levels. These exams can be taken at a Pearson Vue Testing Centre near you. The exams cover quite a lot more than just the BPMN-based process mapping techniques taught on CRaG Systems BPMN Training Courses so it is recommended that you study the exam coverage maps in detail in order to evaluate whether you are likely to be able to pass the exams without further general business analysis training.

SysML and Real-time UML Certification

The Object Management Group also control the SysML specification and have a similar OMG Certified Systems Modeling Professional (OCSMP) program with four levels. They also have an OMG Certified Real-time and Embedded Specialist (OCRES) program with three levels. Both the OCSMP exams and the OCRES exams can also be taken at a Pearson Vue Testing Centre near you. The systems modelling techniques taught on CRaG Systems SysML Training Courses and the CRaG Systems Real-Time UML Training Courses cover a lot of what you need to pass these exams. However, no CRaG Systems course, or series of courses, covers all parts of the UML and SysML specifications that are tested in the exams, so it is recommended that you study the coverage maps for the exams before deciding which course is the most appropriate for you.

This policy is under continuous review and we would welcome any comments at: sales@cragssystems.co.uk.

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