

BARISTA GUILD OF AMERICA

Barista Certification Program: Level 1

An Introductory Track of Basic Barista Skills

Eligibility & Overview: Level 1 training courses are eligible to everyone and no prior qualifications are required to enter Level 1 training courses. SCAA standards are introduced and used throughout Level 1 courses. There are no time limits or expirations on training courses which can be taken anytime at SCAA events and applied toward certification. All coursework is at the 100-level, or «Beginning Level,» which, according to SCAA's Definition of Levels is appropriate for the following students:

- Students who are new to the subject or skill.
- Students who have little or no experience or knowledge.*

Courses:

CP101 & CP102	Introduction to Espresso, Parts 1 & 2
CP103	Customer Service**
GE103	Introduction to Cupping
CP151	Introduction to Coffee Brewing & Extraction
CP190	Level 1 Certification Test (2 parts)

Testing and Awarding of Certification: To complete Level 1 Certification requirements, candidates must pass both parts of the **CP190: Level 1 Certification Test**, along with attendance in all classes*. Minimum passing score for tests are 80% for the written test and 90% for the practical test. There is no limit on the number of times the CP190 test may be attempted. All tests are archived at SCAA Headquarters and scores are recorded in each student's individual online profile at SCAA.org.

**Please note: Experienced Baristas who exceed the skill set outlined in the SCAA Definition of Levels: Beginning Level above are eligible to complete requirements for Level 1 Certification by passing only the CP190 test and the mandatory course, CP103 Customer Service marked with ** above. The CP103 course and CP190 Test can be taken in any order. Please note that the CP190 test includes testing on all objectives from courses in Level 1, which include a cupping and brewing science class, as well as espresso and customer service basics.*

Fees: There is no fee for enrollment in the certification process. Classes and skills test are individually priced. Prices vary according to BGA and/or SCAA membership status.

Instructors & Test Examiners: All Lead Instructors are SCAA Certified Instructors who have earned the SCAA Lead Instructor Credential through participation in the SCAA Instructor Development Program. All Test Examiners have additionally passed a further training course and are authorized to administer the BGA Level 1 Test to candidates at any time, including outside official SCAA events (i.e, at an individual cafe or roasting/training facility).