## UNIVERSITY OF MARY WASHINGTON

Staff Recognition Policy for Certifications, Licenses and Degrees

## **CERTIFICATION CHECKLIST**

Supervisors should determine, in advance, whether certifications and licenses are eligible for bonus recognition in accordance with university guidelines.

To be eligible for bonus recognition, a certification or license must: (*Check all that apply*)

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Be earned while employed at UMW

Be earned between designated times listed in the policy

Be applicable to the employee's current position

Increase the employee's effectiveness in the performance of his or her duties

Add value to agency operations

Demonstrate professional and personal achievement

Professional and personal achievement is evidenced by some or all of the following factors: *(Check all factors that apply)* 

Does the certification or license have a strong reputation in the profession or industry?
What is the extent to which credential is sought by employers as a standard for employment in the particular field?
Does it require an oral and/or written exam requirement?
Is there a requirement for practical experience in addition to course work?
Number of hours of class time required
Is there membership in a professional organization as a result of achieving the certification?
Is there a requirement for continuing education to maintain or renew?
Expiration date
Is the state or federal government the licensing agent?
Does it grant employee authority or permission to act or to perform duties that would not be otherwise permissible?
Does it carry such recognition in the field or industry that it becomes a recruitment and compensation factor?
lowing factors should be considered as reason why a certification <u>may not be eligible</u> : <i>any that apply</i> )

Certification is a state or agency mandated training requirement
Employee may not continue in his/her position without this certification
Does not apply to the employee's position at UMW
Determined to be a certificate of completion for a course rather than a certification

Please attach this form and a copy of the certificate to the Recognition Award Notice form.