

SAMPLE: DO NOT COMPLETE

EDU-1: CREDENTIAL POINTS

Credential points are awarded through the successful completion of a formal degree (Note a) or certificate program offered by an accredited educational institution (Note b).

Procedure

- 1) Enter only the **highest degree** credential earned (e.g., Ph.D., M.S., B.A., or Certificate), year conferred, institution, and point value in the spaces provided below.

Credential Point Values

Masters Degree or Higher (e.g., M.A., M.S., or Ph.D.)	25 points
Baccalaureate Degree (e.g., B.A. or B.S.)	20 points
Associate Degree	10 points
GIS Certificate (see Note c)	5 points

- 2) Attach documentation (e.g., copy of diploma, certificate, or transcript)

Notes

- a) Enter only the highest degree earned. Points may be claimed in section EDU-2 for courses completed in this or other degree programs.
- b) No accreditation program currently exists specifically for GIS-related education programs. Most higher educational institutions in the U.S. are accredited, however, by one of the regional accrediting organizations associated with the Council for Higher Education Association (<http://www.chea.org>)
- c) Many higher education institutions confer GIS Certificates to students who complete a prescribed number of credit or non-credit courses. Requirements vary widely. Only certificates that involve a minimum of 400 hours of student activity qualify for Credential points. Points for courses completed in fulfillment of GIS certificates earned in conjunction with or in addition to a formal degree may be claimed in the Course Points section (EDU-2).

HIGHEST CREDENTIAL EARNED	YEAR CONFERRED	INSTITUTION	POINTS