



Associate Program at a Glance

Qualifying Level

Level 1

Level 2

Level 3

- Register for Qualifying Level
- Review Qualifying Level Courses
 - Introduction to the PGA PGM
 - The PGA Constitution
 - The Rules of Golf A
 - Career Enhancement A
- Fulfill PAT requirement
- Document eligible employment
- Complete and pass a background check

- Purchase Access Complete Level 1 Course Manuals
 - Facility Management 1
 - Teaching & Coaching 1
- Attend Seminars
 - Facility Management 1 (3 days)
 - Teaching & Coaching 1 (2 days)
- Complete Portfolio
- Choose a Career Path
 - Golf Operations
 - Teaching & Coaching
 - Executive Management

Teaching & Coaching

- Purchase Access
- Complete Level 2 Course Manuals
 - Teaching & Coaching 2
- Attend Seminars
 - Teaching & Coaching 2 (5 days)
- Complete Portfolio

Teaching & Coaching

- Purchase Access
- Complete Level 3 Course Manuals
 - Teaching & Coaching 3
- Attend Seminars
 - Teaching & Coaching 3 (5 days)
- Complete Portfolio
- Pass Knowledge Test

Golf Operations

- Purchase Access
- Complete Level 2 Course Manuals
 - Facility Management 2
 - Teaching & Coaching 2
- Attend Seminars
 - Facility Management 2 (3 days)
 - Teaching & Coaching 2 (2 days)
- Complete Portfolio

Golf Operations

- Purchase Access
- Complete Level 3 Course Manuals
 - Facility Management 3
 - Teaching & Coaching 3
- Attend Seminars
 - Facility Management 3 (3 days)
 - Teaching & Coaching 3 (2 days)
- Complete Portfolio
- Pass Knowledge Test

Executive Management

- Purchase Access
- Complete Level 2 Course Manuals
 - Executive Management 2
- Attend Seminars
 - Executive Management 2 (5 days)
- Complete Portfolio

Executive Management

- Purchase Access
- Complete Level 3 Course Manuals
 - Executive Management 3
- Attend Seminars
 - Executive Management 3 (5 days)
- Complete Portfolio
- Pass Knowledge Test

Register for Level 1

Register for Level 2

Register for Level 3

Apply for PGA Membership

Course Manuals: PGA PGM Participants must complete the course manuals and quizzes and are encouraged to complete pre-seminar activities to facilitate seminar discussions.

Seminars: Seminars last five (5) days and are held either virtually (Level 1) or at PGA Frisco (Level 2 and 3).

Work Experience Portfolio: The work experience portfolio emphasizes subject-specific activities and integrated projects that link to on-the-job application.

Knowledge Tests: PGA Associates must pass a knowledge test comprised of multiple-choice and true/false items linked to each of the content domains. Test registration is available through a third-party test company.