



CMT APPLICATION APPRENTICESHIP & ACADEMIC CONTRIBUTION



CRT and CST are eligible to become Certified Master Tobacconists (CMT), the highest level Certification offered by Tobacconist University. This document outlines the requirements to become a CMT. CRT can become CMT for free, while CST pay a \$100 application fee. The other requirements are articulated below.

3 Months as a CRT or CST

CRT and CST must wait at least three months before applying for a CMT degree. However, the Apprenticeship and Academic Contribution requirements can be fulfilled at any time after accepting the TU Code of Ethics & Standards.

Apprenticeship: 100 Hours 'in the field and factory'

In order to become a CMT, CRT and CST must spend at least one hundred verified hours with a cigar or pipe maker in the fields and factory. The next page of the CMT Application is the Proof of Apprenticeship Form. Have your cigar/pipe mentor fill it out and either you or they can mail it back to TU. We will follow up to confirm your qualifications.

Academic Contribution: Tobacconists are Teachers

Before becoming a CMT you must make at least one Academic Contribution to TU. By this process, TU will realize its potential of tapping the knowledge, skills, and experience of the world's greatest tobacconists. In that process, our best Certified Tobacconists will become published professionals!

An Academic Contribution is any written opinion, fact, and/or perspective which will help educate tobacconists and consumers. It can be as short as a few sentences or as long as a book. You can submit it via email, written letter, or post it in the appropriate place in the [TU Forums](#). While it may take some time to integrate your contribution into the curriculum, you will still be eligible for the CMT degree after you submit the content.

CMT PROOF OF APPRENTICESHIP

100 HOURS 'IN THE FIELD AND FACTORY'

CMT must complete a 100 hour apprenticeship with a cigar and/or pipe maker. This CMT Proof of Apprenticeship Form is for cigar and pipe makers to fill out—to prove the CRT or CST fulfilled their required apprenticeship hours. Thank you for taking the time to fill in the requisite information and for helping TU provide credibility to tobacconists and the luxury tobacco industry.

CRT/CST Name

CRT/CST Number

CRT/CST Company/Store Name

Telephone Number

Email

Tobacco	Hours Completed	Tobacco & Accoutrements	Hours Completed
Pre-Planting & Semilleros		Packaging, Aging, & Shipping	
Plant Agriculture		Ebouchon/Meerschaum Processing	
Curing & Añejamiento		Pipe Carving & Finishing	
Fermentation		Other (explain)	
Blending		Educational Time w/ Cigar/Pipe Maker	
Cigar Rolling		Product Tasting & Testing	

Total Apprenticeship Hours: _____

Cigar/Pipe Maker Name

Company/Brand Name

Telephone Number

Email

I, _____ certify that the CMT candidate has completed the Apprenticeship Hours listed above.

Cigar/Pipe Maker Name

Cigar/Pipe Maker Signature

CMT Candidate Signature



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