

The Global Mark of Distinction in Alternate Investments



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Introductions

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Agenda

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About CAIA Association

Why Alternative Investments

CAIA's Approach

- From Analyst to Allocator
- Map Out Your Learning

Candidate Experience

Reading materials & study tools

CAIA Members

Prepare for Exam Day

Testing options

A&Q





Who We Are

CAIA Association is the global professional body dedicated to **alternative investments**, seeking greater alignment, transparency, and knowledge for all investors.

We are a member-driven organization representing professionals in more than 95 countries, and advocating for the industry through events, publications, and credential programs.





Our Mission

CAIA Association seeks to improve investment and societal outcomes of capital allocation through professional education, transparency, and thought leadership across all investor alternatives in our industry.





Global **Presence**



12,000 Members

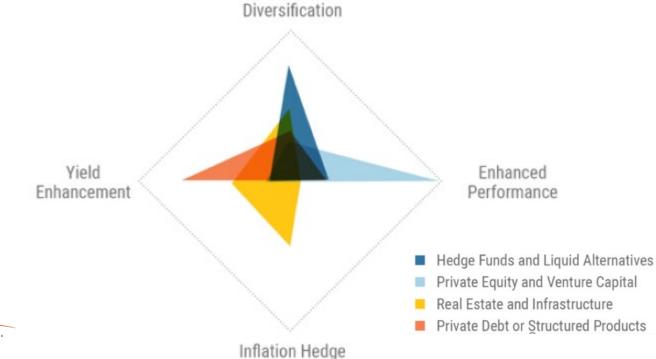
31 Global Chapters

Countries 20 Year Anniversary



Why Alternative Investment?

- + Diversification has awoken from its decade-long slumber
- Heterogenous: Different risk and return drivers across "asset classes".
- + PR Problem: Alpha savior or beta access?
- Superior LT risk-adjusted return with lower volatility and draw down risk







Market Size Investments

Global Investible Market (\$ trillions) **Alternative Assets Traditional Assets** Private Equity \$ 39.1 U.S. Equities 6.5 International Equities Hedge Funds & Liquid Alternatives \$ 15.8 Emerging and Frontier Equities \$ 6.7 Real Estate \$ 3.8 Bonds Infrastructure \$ 66.4 0.8 Natural Resources & Commodities \$ 1.2 Cash 1.6 Private Debt \$ 1.0 \$ 129.6 \$ 18.0 **Total Total**





Think Like An Allocator





CAIA's Approach

CAIA Membership

CAIA LII exam
The Allocators' Approach

CAIA LI exam
The Analysts' Approach







Curriculum Topics & Exam Structure

Level I The Analysts' Approach

Level I Topics	Question Format Multiple Choice	
	Approx. Weight	
Topic 1: Professional Standards and Ethics	15%-25%	
Topic 2: Introduction to Alternative Investments	20%-28%	
Topic 3: Real Assets	11%-17%	
Topic 4: Private Securities	12%-20%	
Topic 5: Hedge Funds	11%-17%	
Topic 6: Structured Products	10%-14%	
Total	100%	

Minutes	Question Format
120 Minutes	Part I: 100 Multiple Choice Questions
30 Minutes	Optional Break
120 Minutes	Part I: 100 Multiple Choice Questions
240 Minutes	Total





Curriculum Topics & Exam Structure

Level I The Allocators' Approach

	Quest	Question Format		
Level II Topics	Multiple Choice	Constructive Response		
Topic 1: Emerging Topics	0%	10%		
Topic 2: Ethics, Regulation, and ESG	0%	10%		
Topic 3: Models	8%-12%	0-10%		
Topic 4: Institutional Asset Owners and Investment Policies	8%-12%	0-10%		
Topic 5: Risk & Risk Management	8%-12%	0-10%		
Topic 6: Methods for Alternative Investments	8%-12%	0-10%		
Topic 7: Accessing Alternative Investments	8%-12%	0-10%		
Topic 8: Due Diligence and Selecting Managers	8%-12%	0-10%		
Topic 9: Volatility and Complex Strategies	8%-12%	0-10%		
Total	70%	30%		

Minutes	Question Format	Approx. Weight
120 Minutes	100 Multiple Choice (All Parts)	70%
30 Minutes	Optional Break	-
120 Minutes	3 Constructive Response (All Parts)	30%
240 Minutes	Total	100%





Learning Roadmap

Topics, Learning Objectives & Keywords

TOPIC 2 Introduction to Alternative Investments READING 2.1 What is an Alternative Investment?

READING 2
The
Environment of
Alternative
Investment

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KEYWORDS

LEARNING

OBJECTIVE 2.1.1

LEARNING OBJECTIVE 2.1.2

LEARNING
OBJECTIVE 2.1.3
etc

absolute return products institutional factors

absolute return standard institutional-quality investment

active management investment active return land

active risk alternative investments mezzanine debt benchmark moral hazard

benchmark return operationally focused real assets

commodities passive investina compensation structure private equity distressed debt pure arbitrage diversifier real assets efficiency real estate farmland regulatory factors financial asset relative return standard hedge fund return diversifier illiquidity return enhancer incomplete markets structured products inefficiency structuring

inefficiency structuring
information asymmetries timberland
infrastructure investments trading strategies
innovation traditional investments

2.1.1 Demonstrate knowledge of the view of alternative investments by exclusion. Including:

Recognize characteristics of institutional quality investments.

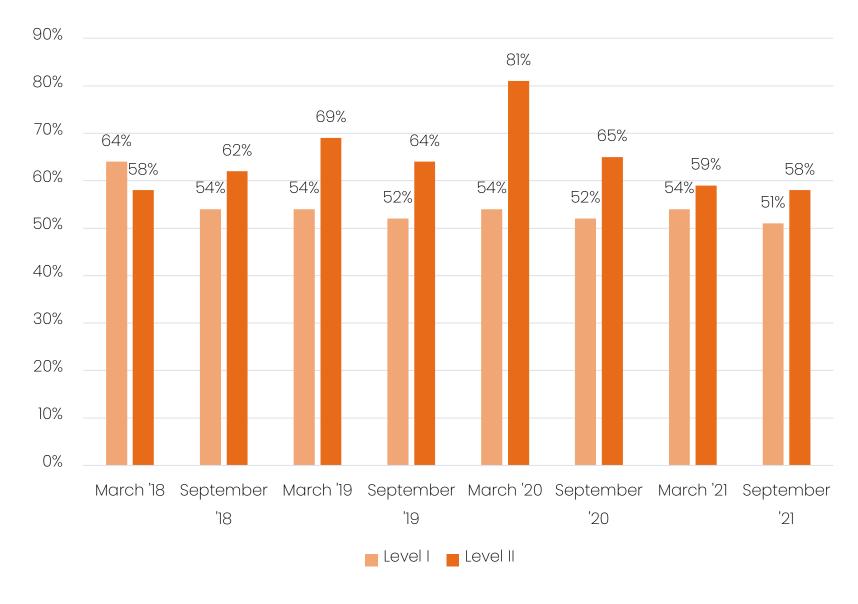
2.1.2 Demonstrate knowledge of various alternative investment types.

Including:

- Describe real assets (i.e., commodities, real estate, intellectual property, and infrastructure), and distinguish real assets from financial assets
- Describe hedge funds
- Describe private equity (i.e., venture capital, leveraged buyouts, mezzanine debt, distressed debt, and private debt)
- Describe structured products (e.g., collateralized debt obligations [CDOs], credit derivatives)



Historical Exam Pass Rates







Exam Registration & Fees

March 2022

Registration	Early Registration	Registration	Level I Exam	Level II Exam
Open	Deadline	Close	Window	Window
Oct 4 2021	Nov 15 2021	Feb 7 2022	Feb 28 2022 - Mar 11 2022	Mar 14 2022 - Mar 25 2022

September 2022

Registration	Early Registration	Registration	Level I Exam	Level II Exam
Open	Deadline	Close	Window	Window
Apr 4 2022	May 16 2022	Aug 8 2022	Aug 29 2022 - Sep 9 2022	Sep 12 2022 - Sep 23 2022

Exam Fees

Standard Prof	essional Assoc	ciation AIN	1A Company		
Standard					
	First-Time Level I		First-Time Level II		Both Levels
	Early*	Standard	Early*	Standard	Retake
Exam registration	1150	1250	1150	1250	450
Program enrollment	400**	400			



CAIA Members

Distinguish yourself with knowledge, expertise, and a clear career advantage – become a CAIA Charterholder.

CAIA® is the globally-recognized credential for professionals managing, analyzing, distributing, or regulating alternative investments.





Where Are CAIA Members Working?

Industry







Employers

Where Are CAIA Members Working? Industry &



Banks: HSBC, Citi, Credit Suisse, UBS, Barclays Capital, Deutsche Bank

Consultants: Cambridge
Associates, New England
Pension Consultants, Mercer, Willis
Towers Watson

Fund Managers: Blackrock, Goldman Sachs, J.P. Morgan, Morgan Stanley, State Street

Asset Allocators: APG, Texas Teachers, Chicago Teachers, Ontario Teachers, CalPERS, Harvard Mgmt Co.

Regulators: U.S. SEC, MAS Singapore, SFC Hong Kong, FCA UK, CIMA Cayman



Candidate Experience

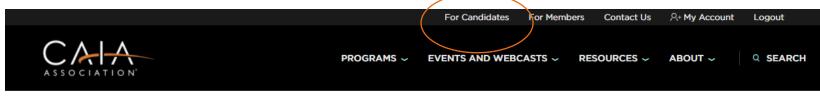
Candidate Checklist

- ☑ Register for the L1 or L2 Exam by February 7
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 - ✓ Option 1 Test Center
 - ✓ Option2 Online Proctoring





Primary Resource caia.org/candidates



Diversify with alternatives. Exam registration is open for March 2022. Learn more.

Charter Candidates

The CAIA Charter distinguishes you with knowledge and credibility in alternative investments not found anywhere else. Get started today. **Register** or **Create an Account.**

Curriculum & Study Tools

Exam Curriculum

Exam Registration Dates & Fees

Preparing

Study Calculator
Find a Test Center
Schedule Your Exam
Special Accommodations

FAQs

In the competitive alts landscape, mastery of the broad array of asset classes and the strategies and practices surrounding them is essential. By registering for the CAIA exam, you take a major step in your alternative investment education – and your career.

Preparing

Most Candidates agree that 200+ hours of study on each level prepares them for the CAIA exams. That's a big commitment, so before you start, there are some things you'll want to know. You'll find everything you need to set yourself up for success on our preparing page. Exam materials include CAIA Level I and II texts, Study Guides, Workbooks, Sample Exams, and a Study Calculator to help you schedule your time.

A recent survey of CAIA Level II Candidates found that more than 96% considered themselves knowledgeable or very knowledgeable about alternative investments after studying for the CAIA exam.

REGISTRATION

Candidate Handbook



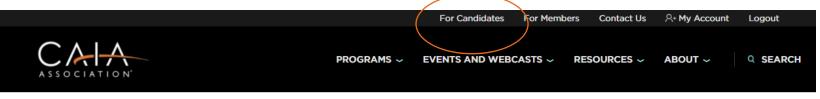
Candidate Orientation







Primary Resource caia.org/preparing



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Preparing

You'll find everything you need to know about taking the CAIA exams in the Candidate Handbook, but here's a quick reference checklist to be sure you don't miss a thing:

Curriculum & Study Tools

Exam Curriculum

Exam Registration Dates & Fees

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Study Calculator

Find a Test Center

Schedule Your Exam

Special Accommodations

FAQs



Register for your exam



Get your <u>Study</u> Materials



Get optional resources from prep providers



Review exam policies

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Schedule your exam appointment



Attend an Orientation Session



Plan your study with our <u>calculator</u>

Curriculum Overview



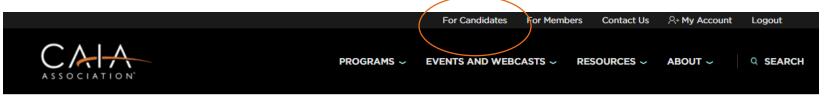
CREATE AN ACCOUNT AND REGISTER





Curriculum Level I





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Curriculum & Study Tools

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Find a Test Center

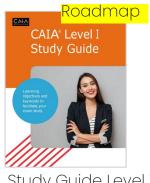
Schedule Your Exam

Special Accommodations

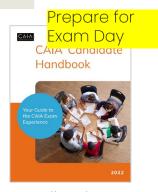
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Level I 2022

Level II 2022

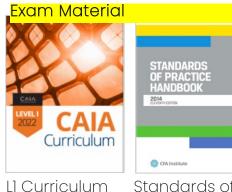






Handbook

Download for free



L1 Curriculum Purchase

Standards of Practice *free*



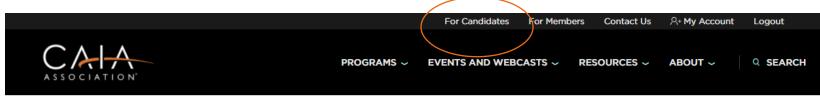
Sample Exam Level 1 unlimited access





Curriculum Level II





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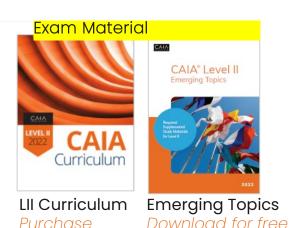
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Prepare for CAIA Exam Day

You have options!

Be in the drivers' seat of <u>your</u> exam day experience

Option 1: Test at A test center

Option2: Remote Proctoring

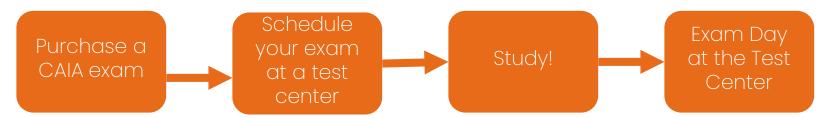
Make the unknown ... your known!





Our Learnings Your Planning

Test Center Scheduling



Online Proctor Scheduling





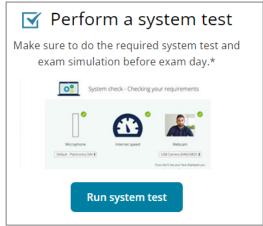


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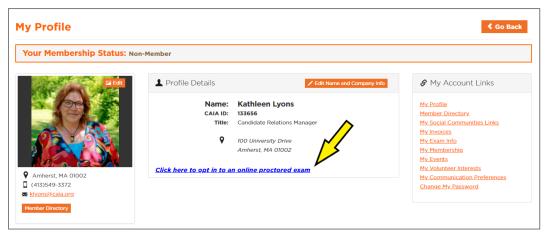
Online Proctoring:

- > A **preferred** testing option
- > A detour

Learn about Online Proctoring BEFORE you make your final decision.



https://home.pearsonvue.com/caiaa/onvue?ot=collapse544



Your CAIA Candidate Page





Online Proctoring

Your Planning







Level | Exam

February 28 - March 11

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
	On ▼	On ▼	On ▼	On V	On V	On V
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
On						
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Online Proctoring February 28 - March 6



Pearson Testing at a Test Center February 28 - March 11

Level II Exam

March 14 - March 25

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 On V	15 On ▼	16 ○n V	17 On Ѷ	18 ○n V	19 On V
20 On V	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Online Proctoring March 14 - March 20



Pearson Testing at a Test Center March 14 - March 25





Your Test Options

Option 1



At a Pearson Vue Test Site

- Controlled test site environment
- Onsite exam proctors monitoring Candidates in testing room
- Center availability
- Exam site subject to closing (outside the influence of CAIA)
- Awareness of updated Pearson VUE
 COVID-19 protocols
- Schedule early in the exam window in case of any disruption

Option 2



Remote Proctored Testing

- Safe, secure, private, quiet personal location of your choosing
- Minimum Equipment and Internet requirements must be met
- Proctor monitors Candidates via webcam
- Time to prepare your test space
- Review minimum system requirements and run system test
- Schedule early in the exam window in case of a technical issue





Your Test Options

Option 1 At a Pearson Vue Test Site

Option 2 Remote Proctored Testing

2-part exam	2-part exam
5-minute NDA review and agreement	5-minute NDA review and agreement
5-minute Tutorial	5-minute Tutorial
Part 1:	Part 1:
Optional 10-minute comment period	
30-minute optional break, can leave testing room	20-minute optional break, can leave testing room and leave the webcam
Part 2:	Part 2:
Optional 10-minute comment period	

5 hours 4.5 hours





Your Test Options

Option 1



At a Pearson Vue Test Site

Option 2 OnVUE

Remote Proctored Testing

Calculator	Candidates may only use a CAIA approved calculator. (see CAIA Candidate Handbook)					
Whiteboard	Dry erase board and pen are provided	on Digital whiteboard ONLY, online scratch pad within the exam				
Un-scheduled breaks	Yes, for bathroom use only. You may be escorted. Time lost.	on ♥No.				
What can I bring into the testing space	Approved calculator, ID, locker key. Small locker will be available for personal items.	onv One clear glass of water, approved calculator, cell phone for check in purposes, ID. onv Both cellphone and ID have to be put out of reach after check-in				
Accommodations	Available upon request to accommodations@caia.org	on▼Available, but may be more limited, upon request to accommodations@caia.org				





Checklist

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- ✓ Review the Information Session for your exam
 - ☑ <u>LI Information Session</u> recorded on November 3, 2021
 - ✓ LII Information Session recorded on November 3, 2021



Q&A

Frequently Asked Questions

- ✓ Candidates (General) https://caia.org/faq
- ✓ Online Proctored Exams https://caia.org/content/online-proctored-exam-faqs-and-resources
- Digital Whiteboard:

 https://home.pearsonvue.com/onvue/whiteboard +

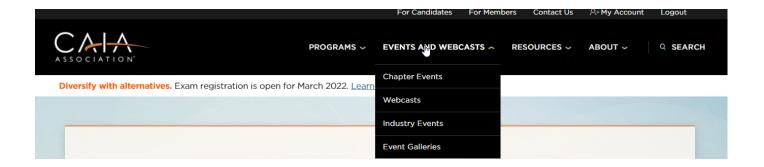
 https://vimeo.com/509988735/135832a0bb
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