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**HR Certification Institute and Human Capital Institute Team Up to Advance and Enhance the HR Profession Through Education and Certification**

**ALEXANDRIA, Va.** (November 3, 2016) — HR Certification Institute® (HRCI®), the premier credentialing organization for the human resources profession, and Human Capital Institute (HCI), the global association for strategic management, today announced an agreement to offer HRCI-certified professionals easy and discounted access to HCI's HR and talent management content and offer HCI members discounted opportunities to advance their careers and HR functions through HRCI certification.

"HCI is a thought leader in the human capital space and shares our vision to elevate the HR profession through education and certification," said HRCI CEO Amy Schabacker Dufrane, Ed.D., SPHR, CAE. "Offering HCI's quality content in a format designed specifically for HRCI-certified professionals will be a valuable resource for our certificants, and we are likewise looking forward to introducing HRCI's portfolio of world-class certifications to HCI members."

Through the agreement, HRCI certificants will have exclusive access to a dedicated, user-friendly portal created by HCI. The portal provides an easy and efficient conduit for HRCI credential holders to access HCI's extensive online, virtual and live conferences and classes, including over 400 pre-approved HRCI recertification credits. HRCI certificants can enter the portal directly from the HRCI website, where they will enjoy special pricing on all HRCI pre-approved conferences and classes.

The portal's content is organized based on HRCI's exam content categories – Business Management and Strategy, Workforce Planning and Employment, Human Resource Development, Compensation and Benefits, Employee and Labor Relations, and Risk Management – making it convenient for recertification as well as professional development.

"As a leading provider of education and development for HR and talent management professionals around the world, HCI has always valued our connection with the HR Certification Institute," said Carl Rhodes, CEO of HCI. "By bringing HRCI's highly regarded certifications to the attention of HCI members, we hope they will take advantage of this special opportunity to experience first hand the value and ROI of professional certification."

Through the agreement, HCI members can apply to earn any of HRCI's seven professional certifications at a discount. HRCI offers NCCA-accredited credentials and is the only professional credentialing body to offer HR certifications for entry-level and early career individuals, mid- and senior- level HR professionals, and professionals practicing HR around the world.

Learn more at [HRCI](#) or [HCI](#).

**About HCI**

Today's human capital professionals are constantly searching for the cutting-edge talent practices that can help their companies succeed. [HCI](#) knows that and has developed a new model for insight. We aggregate human capital best practices from prominent companies, thought leaders, and academic research and offer them up to our members in a variety of formats - through conferences, certification

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programs, webcasts, podcasts, research and others. Our network includes expert practitioners, Fortune 1000 and Global 2000 corporations, government agencies, global consultants, and business schools — all sharing their new ways to manage talent.

**About HRCI**

[HR Certification Institute®](#) (HRCI®) is the premier professional credentialing organization for the worldwide human resources profession. For over 40 years, the nonprofit HRCI has set the standard for HR mastery and excellence around the globe through developing and administering best-in-class certifications, including the NCCA-accredited Professional in Human Resources® (PHR®) and Senior Professional in Human Resources® (SPHR®), plus the new Associate Professional in Human Resources™ (aPHR™). HRCI's credentials are recognized as the most rigorous, meaningful, and relevant professional certifications demonstrating competency, real-world practical skills and knowledge in the field. Together with HRCI-certified professionals in 100 countries around the globe, HRCI ensures, strengthens and advances the strategic value and impact of HR.

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