



Background to the Global Standard

In response to market needs for an independent, objective certification of supply chain education standards, the International Federation of Purchasing and Supply Management (IFPSM) launched the Global Standard in 2012 as a pilot and which was subsequently implemented in 2013.

The Global Standard is a unique certification programme designed to reflect and support a diversity of educational offerings while ensuring a standard of quality required to prepare supply chain students for the demands of their profession. Standards are regularly reviewed by leading supply chain academics and practitioners and are designed to raise the standard of education rather than merely benchmark an educational institutions performance. The Global Standard is a universal measure by which educational programs, degrees and designations may be assessed against the Standard's clear and transparent criteria for content, delivery and assessment.

The IFPSM Global Standard is truly independent as it offers neither supply chain training nor, does the IFPSM design or prescribe course material.