

The Dalton Review® Exam Preparation Guide





Program structure

The Dalton Review® is designed to ensure multiple interactions with the material through reading, watching videos, attending class, and completing practice questions. Guarantee to Pass™ students have access to additional resources.



Time commitment

You should spend 250–300 hours preparing for the CFP® exam. This equals about 15–20 hours per week over 15 weeks. You can stretch or condense this time depending on what works best for you.



Study schedules

We give you both a general study schedule that allows you to create your own study plan, as well as a detailed 15-week schedule.

Sample 15-week study schedule

Week 1

- Take the Review Readiness Quiz to assess your strengths and weaknesses. Guarantee to Pass™ students can schedule time with an instructor to review their results.
- · Read approximately 130 pages.
- Watch the introductory videos, approximately 120 minutes.

Weeks 2-11

- Read approximately 135 pages each week.
- Watch 20–60 minutes of videos each week.
- Complete 160–200 practice questions each week.

 Attend classes and office hours (1–2 classes per week depending on exam cycle).

Week 12

- Take the 50-question Exam Readiness Quiz to receive a pass probability score.
- Guarantee to Pass[™] students can meet with an instructor to review their results.

Week 13

- · Work through practice case studies.
- Assess yourself with practice questions with answer feedback turned off.
- Take a simulated exam.

Week 14

- Attend the post-review office hours to ask any last-minute questions and review exam day procedures.
- Take a second simulated exam.
- Keep reviewing all topics.

Week 15 - Exam Week

- Review the CFP Board Code and Standards along with our Insights and Strategies for the CFP® Exam.
- Rest the night before your exam and get out there and pass!

Note: Reading and video times are provided as approximations as we are continuously working to improve our courses to benefit our learners.