



Milestones

1985	only single language administration
1986	pilot translation (Spanish)
1987	first 3-language administration (English, German, Spanish)
1988	examination program is accredited by the National Commission of Certifying Agencies (U.S.)
1989	research study on 1986 pilot translation published
1990	first 4-continent administration
1991	first recertification administration; number of candidates exceeds first 2 administrations combined
1992	first French translation; number of candidates exceeds first 3 administrations combined
1993	first Dutch translation; exam administered in all continents in 4 languages; number of candidates exceeds first 4 administrations combined; Australia modifies eligibility requirements; examination program is re-accredited by the National Commission of Certifying Agencies (U.S.); first administration with >1000 candidates
1994	first non-Roman alphabet translation (Arabic); exam administered in 5 languages
1995	revised test blueprint implemented; number of candidates exceeds first 5 administrations combined
1996	first Italian translation; projected slides replaced with printed photographs; equal session lengths; recertification experiment
1997	visual portion increased from 50 to 60 items
1998	visual portion increased from 60 to 66 items; first Portuguese translation; exam administered in 6 languages; number of candidates exceeds first 6 administrations combined
1999	visual portion increased from 65 to 75 items; exam administered in 7 languages; first Korean translation (second translation in a non-Roman alphabet)
2000	first time the highest scorer was from outside North America (Australia)
2001	number of candidates surpasses 2000; first Icelandic and Japanese translation (third in a non-Roman alphabet); exam administered in 9 languages; first administration with >2000 candidates
2002	second-highest scorer sat for a translated version; exam administered in 10 languages
2003	continuing education hours increase from 30 to 45 hours; first time the number of candidates in US, Canada, Australia, and "Other" each decline from year-ago levels; 25% of population consists of recertification candidates; first Swedish translation
2004	first Polish translation

2005	first candidates sitting for 20-year recertification
2006	first Hungarian and Slovenian translation; exam administered in 12 languages; first administration with >3000 candidates; >121 candidates sitting for 20-year recertification
2007	first Hebrew translation
2008	first Indonesian translation; exam administered in 13 languages
2009	first Croatian and Taiwanese translations; exam administered in 14 languages; first administration with >4000 candidates
2010	25 th Anniversary; first candidates sitting for 25-year recertification; >1000 candidates sitting for recertification; restructure of exam: visual portion increased from 75 to 100, text-based portion decreased from 100 to 75; exam administered in 16 languages
2011	first Greek translation; Computer-Based Testing (CBT) introduced in USA in American English (498 candidates); first administration with >6000 candidates