

What are SIM™ Micro-credentials?

Micro-credentials are digital certifications, earned by demonstrating a skill(s), using an online platform for posting a portfolio of evidence.

Why SIM Micro-credentials?

Micro-credentials can be shared on websites, resumes, social media, or elsewhere to provide evidence of certification and knowledge.

The five levels of SIM micro-credentials indicate increasingly deeper levels of learning and practice. Micro-credentials can be earned individually, or subsequent levels can build upon previous levels (participants can choose to start at Level 1 or any of the other levels of learning).



LEVEL 1: PROFESSIONAL LEARNING



Recipient has:

- Participated in a professional learning session to learn how to teach a SIM Learning Strategy (LS) or teach with a Content Enhancement Routine (CER).
 - Approved by the SIM Professional Developer or Specialist who led the workshop or session
 - Credential cost: \$10 + any workshop/session costs

LEVEL 2: FIDELITY OF IMPLEMENTATION



Recipient has:

- Instructed students with fidelity,
- Created a portfolio to demonstrate impact and proficient implementation,
- Created a narrative log about implementation, and
- Recorded a video that demonstrates key behaviors for self-reflection and coaching.
 - Approved by SIM Professional Developer or Specialist
 - Credential cost: \$40 + coaching fees

LEVEL 3: SIM SPECIALIST



Recipient has:

- Demonstrated proficiency in instructing others in the use of a strategy or routine with fidelity,
- Guided the new learner to implement the intervention with fidelity.
 - Approved by SIM Professional Developer or Specialist
 - This credential allows the recipient to teach others in one specific LS or CER
 - Credential cost: \$100 + coaching fees

LEVEL 4: PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPER



Recipient has:

- Fulfilled all SIM Professional Developer criteria set forth by KUCRL.
 - This credential allows the recipient to teach others in any LS or CER (depending upon credential) and access to other network benefits
 - Credential cost: Yearly StrateWorks fee + PPD Session Cost

LEVEL 5: PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT LEADER



Recipient is:

- Credentialed in both Learning Strategies and Content Enhancement Routines, is active and current within the SIM Network, and has met all other requirements set forth by KUCRL.
 - Credential cost: Yearly StrateWorks fee

What Educators are Saying about SIM Micro-Credentials:

~The badge program is phenomenal! For someone who loves and needs a checklist to keep track of such a busy life, the badge program lends a streamlined platform to check off each evidence and share experiences with our network of SIM professional developers across the nation. SIM is truly the best kept secret in education, and I'm thrilled to have the opportunity to be a part of such an impactful organization.

~I truly appreciate that the credentialing program helps to recognize teachers for the work they do in the classroom (to bridge the gap for struggling learners) and to validate the need for this type of instructional model to build the necessary skills/strategies needed by our students.