

## **Financial Services - Insurance Underwriter**

Sector: Financial Services	Insurance Underwriter	Credential(s): Property Casualty Insurance Fundamentals Certification (PCIFC) – from The Institute

CareerWise Colorado (CWC) will introduce and support development of these **Career Ready competencies** throughout the apprenticeship (through boot camp, periodic CWC convening's, and training modules delivered by supervisors/coaches over time).

Career Ready Competencies		
Entrepreneurial	Critical thinking and problem solving	
	Creativity and innovation	
	Inquiry	
	Risk taking	
Personal	Self-direction	
	Adaptability and flexibility	
	Self-management	
Civic/Interpersonal	Collaboration and teamwork	
	Communication	
	Global and cultural awareness	
	Ethics and integrity	
Professional	Core Academic Foundation	
	Time management	
	Grit and resilience	
	Work ethic	
	Self-advocacy	



## **Technical Competencies**

For each competency, use the letter X to indicate whether each competency can be taught and evaluated on the job.

Number	Technical Competencies of the Occupation Pathway
□ 1	Listen to a customer and ask relevant questions to correctly classify his/her business for the purpose of underwriting.
□ 2	Consult with colleagues to determine the closest business classification when no exact match exists.
□ 3	Draft initial application/policy and answer customer questions concerning his or her different policy options regarding coverage and deductible, etc.
□ 4	Adhere to statutory requirements and company policy when writing coverage.
□ 5	Address any customer questions regarding their application/policy.
□ 6	Gather financial records.  • Obtain and compile copies of loan applicants' credit histories and other financial information.
□ 7	Interview clients to gather financial information.  • Meet with applicants to obtain information for loan applications and to answer questions about the process.
□ 8	<ul> <li>Assess financial status of clients.</li> <li>Analyze applicants' financial status, credit, and property evaluations to determine feasibility of granting loans.</li> <li>Examine documents to determine degree of risk from such factors as applicant financial standing and value and condition of property.</li> </ul>
□ 9	Verify accuracy of records.
	<ul> <li>Review company records to determine amount of insurance in force on single risk or group of closely related risks.</li> </ul>



□ 10	Verify accuracy of financial information.  • Review loan agreements to ensure that they are complete and accurate according to policy.
□ 11	Examine financial records.  • Review and update credit and loan files.
□ 12	Analyze market conditions or trends.     Analyze potential loan markets and develop referral networks to locate prospects for loans.
□ 13	Assess risks to business operations.  • Evaluate possibility of losses due to catastrophe or excessive insurance.
□ 14	Explain the fundamentals of risk management.
□ 15	<ul> <li>Authorize financial actions.</li> <li>Approve loans within specified limits and refer loan applications outside those limits to management for approval.</li> <li>Authorize reinsurance of policy when risk is high.</li> <li>Decline excessive risks.</li> <li>Decrease value of policy when risk is substandard and specify applicable endorsements or apply rating to ensure safe profitable distribution of risks, using reference materials.</li> </ul>
□ 16	Update professional knowledge  Stay abreast of new types of loans and other financial services and products to better meet customers' needs.
□ 17	Explain the fundamentals of personal insurance overview.
□ 18	Explain the fundamentals of automobile insurance and society.
□ 19	Explain the fundamentals of personal auto policy: liability, med pay, and uninsured motorist coverage.



□ 20	Explain the fundamentals of PAP: physical damage, duties after an accident, endorsements.
□ 21	Explain the fundamentals of homeowners' property coverage.
□ 22	Explain the fundamentals of homeowners' liability, conditions, coverage forms, and endorsements.
□ 23	Explain the fundamentals of other residential insurance.
□ 24	Explain the fundamentals of other personal property and liability insurance.
□ 25	Explain the fundamentals of life insurance planning.
□ 26	Explain the fundamentals of retirement planning.
□ 27	Explain the fundamentals of disability and health insurance planning.
□ 28	Explain the fundamentals of commercial property insurance.
□ 29	Explain the fundamentals of business income insurance.
□ 30	Explain the fundamentals of commercial crime and equipment breakdown insurance.
□ 31	Explain the fundamentals of inland and ocean marine insurance.
□ 32	Explain the fundamentals of commercial general liability Insurance.
□ 33	Explain the fundamentals of Commercial Auto Insurance.
□ 34	Explain the fundamentals of workers compensation and employers' liability insurance.



□ 35	Explain the fundamentals of business owners' and farm insurance.
□ 36	Explain the fundamentals of specialty coverages.
□ 37	Demonstrate awareness of and follow organizational guidelines or policies.  • Supplemental - Set credit policies, credit lines, procedures and standards in conjunction with senior managers.
□ 38	Maintain data in information systems or databases.  • Review and update credit and loan files.
□ 39	<ul> <li>Explain regulations, policies, or procedures.</li> <li>Write to field representatives, medical personnel, and others to obtain further information, quote rates, or explain company underwriting policies.</li> </ul>
□ 40	Interpret financial information for others.  • Explain to customers the different types of loans and credit options that are available, as well as the terms of those services.
□ <b>41</b>	Confer with personnel to coordinate business operations.  • Supplemental - Confer with underwriters to aid in resolving mortgage application problems.
□ 42	Communicate with government agencies.  • Supplemental - Petition courts to transfer titles and deeds of collateral to banks.
□ 43	Market products, services, or events.     Supplemental - Market bank products to individuals and firms, promoting bank services that may meet customers' needs.
□ 44	Explain the fundamentals of marketing as it pertains to the insurance industry



□ 45	Correspond with customers to answer questions or resolve complaints.  • Handle customer complaints and take appropriate action to resolve them. This may involve adjusting payment arrangements.
□ 46	Submit financial applications.  • Submit applications to credit analysts for verification and recommendation.
□ 47	Explain the how insurers are regulated
□ 48	Explain insurer financial performance
□ 49	Explain the fundamentals of underwriting and ratemaking.
□ 50	Explain the fundamentals of loss exposures.
□ 51	Explain the fundamentals of insurance policies.