



U.S. Chung Do Kwan Association, inc.

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2023 INSTRUCTOR DEGREE MATRIX

Instructor Degree Title and Abilities	Age	Minimum Rank	NCIT	Stars	National Conferences Live/Virtual, Sanctioned Seminars	Teaching Hours	Additional Info
<i>Associate Instructor</i> Technical Definition: An Assistant to the Sr. Instructor.	18 Adult Jr. Teen	1 st	101		1 in past 2 years	50	
<i>Instructor</i> Technical Definition: Capable of teaching a class of more than six or more gup students.	18 Adult Jr. Teen	2 nd	101 102		One of each in past 2 years	100	Sr. Instructors begin at Instructor
<i>Head Instructor</i> Technical Definition: Teaching Gup and Dan students.	18 Adult Teen	3 rd	101 102		One of each in past 2 years	100	A Head instructor may apply for Chief Instructor after a year as a Head Instructor
<i>Chief Instructor</i> Technical Definition: Teach and supervise registered Instructors and Head Instructors.	20 Adult Teen	3 rd	102 103		One of each in past 2 years	200	A Head instructor may apply for Chief Instructor after a year as a Head Instructor.
<i>Cadet Master</i> Technical Definition: Young Adult with excellent Taekwondo skills and is developing maturity in life skills, relationships, and responsibility as a Master Teacher.	16-23	4 th	101 102 103	1 Silver	One of each in past 3 years	200	Ages 16-23
<i>Associate Master</i> Technical Definition: Excellence in Taekwondo skills. Developing	24	4 th	101 102 103	1 Silver	One of each in past 3 years	200	

confidence and responsibility while teaching, training and mentoring.							
<i>Master</i> Technical Definition: Capable of teaching large numbers of Gup and Dan students, including children.	25	5 th	101 102 103	1 Gold	One of each in past 3 years	200	
<i>Head Master</i> Training and supervising Chief Instructors	30	6 th	101 102 103	2 Gold	One of each in past 3 years	200	An active Sr. Instructor may apply after 3 years time in grade as a 6 th dan
<i>Chief Master</i> Training and supervising Masters and Head Masters	36	7 th	101 102 103	3 Gold	One of each in past 3 years	200	
<i>Grandmaster Candidate</i> Technical Definition: In preparation for Grandmaster. Has mastered teaching skills, relationships, leadership and highly involved in USCDKA activities/events. Developing relational and leadership skills.	38	7 th	101 102 103	1 Silver 3 Gold	One of each in past 3 years	200	
<i>Grandmaster</i> Technical Definition: <i>Assigned as an Assistant to the Kwan Jang.</i> Has mastered teaching skills, highly involved in USCDKA through contributions, activities/events. Has mastered teaching skills. Developing relational and leadership skills.	40	7 th	101 102 103	4 Gold	2 in past 3 years	200	



JUNIOR AND TEEN INSTRUCTOR DEGREES

Age	1st Dan	2nd Dan	3rd Dan	4th Dan
10-12	<i>Junior Associate</i>	Junior Instructor		
13-17	<i>Teen Associate</i>	Teen Instructor	Teen Head Instructor Teen Chief Instructor	Cadet Master (16-23)

PRE-REQUISITES FOR ALL INSTRUCTOR DEGREES

1. Current USCDKA member in good standing.
2. Active in USCDKA training seminars and conferences.
3. Active USCDKA Black Belt Portfolio for their current rank.
4. Serves as an Official in USCDKA tournaments.
5. Exhibits Servant Leadership
6. Recommended by their Sr. Instructor.
7. Sr. Instructors must also be on the USCDKA Honor Roll in compliance with the License Agreement.