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Study Numismatics Anywhere: ANA Diploma Program Goes Fully Online

ANA members can register for all reworked courses today

The [Numismatic Diploma Program](#), one of the American Numismatic Association's most valuable educational opportunities, is now available entirely online. The program provides ANA members the opportunity to obtain a "Numismatic Scholar" certificate* by completing a series of online courses. This transition to fully online learning, which began in 2024, is now complete, making the program more accessible to members interested in advancing their numismatic education.

Each course in the Numismatic Diploma Program (NDP) underwent review and received updates to reflect the current numismatic landscape. ANA Education Director Christian Strayhorn detailed the changes in a recent NumismaTalks presentation, available at youtu.be/J2DScgrhiik. The online NDP consists of four courses:

Introduction to Numismatics provides an exploration of coins and collecting, focusing on the history of money, what gives coins value, ways to collect, how to purchase coins, storing collections, estate planning, numismatic literature, and exhibiting.

Grading U.S. Coins addresses the skills needed to evaluate coins and assess potential purchases. A deeper understanding of the factors and current standards that determine a coin's condition and grade enables independent study and appraisal of pieces, without relying solely on grades assigned by third-party services and others.

Detecting Counterfeit & Altered Coins teaches skills to help collectors evaluate coins in personal collections and potential purchases. Better understanding the factors and characteristics that determine a coin's authenticity helps collectors buy coins with confidence.

The Modern Minting Process & U.S. Minting Errors and Varieties provides an overview of the U.S. modern minting process and U.S. minting errors and varieties. Topics explored include the processes currently used by the U.S. Mint, planchet errors, die errors, striking errors, and die varieties.

Each course is available to ANA members at a \$75 cost. To access the NDP courses and register, visit [money.org/diploma-program](https://www.money.org/diploma-program). For questions or concerns, contact the ANA Education Department at education@money.org.

**Please note the ANA Numismatic Diploma Program is not accredited and does not make someone a professional numismatist, dealer, coin grader, appraiser, or anything similar.*

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