



Member Guide Using Your Post-Nominals with Pride

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Using Your UCA Post-Nominals with Pride

At the Universal Coaching Alliance (UCA), professional recognition reflects more than participation — it reflects proven standards of practice, experience and integrity.

UCA post-nominals provide a clear and credible way to signal your verified membership level and accreditation status, from those developing their skills through to advanced practitioners, masters and supervisors. Each designation is earned through defined criteria and assessed standards.

Post-nominals are more than letters after your name. They represent demonstrated competence, ethical practice, continuous professional development, and commitment to the shared standards that uphold the reputation of the UCA community worldwide.

By adopting these professional designations, we align with best practice across global professional bodies, ensuring that UCA membership and accreditation are recognised and trusted by clients, organisations and peers wherever your coaching journey takes you.

Wear your post-nominals with pride — they reflect the standard you uphold and the professionalism you bring to every coaching conversation.

1. What Are Post-Nominals?

Post-nominals are the professional letters you place after your name to show your verified UCA membership and accreditation level.

They provide a simple, recognised way to signal your standards of practice, experience and commitment to ethical, ongoing professional development — helping clients, organisations and peers quickly understand the level at which you work.

2. Which Post-Nominals Can I Use?

| Membership Category | Post-nominal | Recognition |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Student Member | SMUCA | Enrolled in a UCA-recognised coaching programme |
| Associate Member | AMUCA | Developing or applying coaching skills |
| Founding Associate Member | <i>Founding</i> AMUCA | Founding Member developing or applying coaching skills |
| Professional Member | PMUCA | Practising coach or supervisor |

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|------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Founding Professional Member | <i>Founding PMUCA</i> | Founding practising coach or supervisor |
| Fellow Member | FMUCA | Senior recognition for contribution and leadership |
| Fellow Member Emeritus | FMUCA <i>Emeritus</i> | Senior recognition for contribution and leadership – Lifetime Status |

| Accreditation Category | Post-Nominal | Recognised for: |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--|
| Foundation Accredited Coach | FAC | Confident, safe and ethical coaching practice with core professional skills. |
| Foundation Executive Accredited Coach | FEAC | Effective coaching within workplace and leadership environments. |
| Seasoned Accredited Coach | SAC | Proven, consistent results across diverse clients and coaching challenges. |
| Seasoned Executive Accredited Coach | SEAC | Trusted partner for leaders navigating complexity and performance pressure. |
| Advanced Accredited Coach | AAC | Delivering measurable impact and systemic insight in complex coaching environments. |
| Advanced Executive Accredited Coach | AEAC | Strategic-level coaching that influences culture, performance and transformation. |
| Master Accredited Coach | MAC | Demonstrating mastery of coaching practice with sustained client impact, advanced professional judgement, and contribution to the coaching profession. |
| Master Executive Accredited Coach | MEAC | Delivering high-impact executive coaching in complex, high-stakes environments, with strategic insight, organisational influence, and sustained leadership outcomes. |
| Accredited Coach Supervisor | ACS | Providing skilled, ethical supervision that strengthens coach capability, reflective practice, client safety, and professional standards. |

3. How to Use Them

- Write post-nominals immediately after your name (e.g., *Jane Smith, PMUCA, MEAC*).
- You may include both your **membership** and **accreditation** post-nominals.
- Order: **Membership first, then accreditation(s)**.

Examples:

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- Sarah James, AMUCA, FAC
- David Lee, PMUCA, SEAC
- Dr Emma Wright, FMUCA *Emeritus*, MEAC

4. Where to Use Them

- **LinkedIn** (Name, About section, and Certifications)
- **Email signature**
- **Business cards, proposals, and website bios**
- **Professional certificates and publications**

5. Formatting Guidelines

- ☒ No punctuation between letters (e.g., PMUCA not P.M.U.C.A)
- ☒ Keep formatting consistent with other credentials
- ☒ Only display current post-nominals that reflect your active membership/accreditation

6. Example Email Signature

Kind regards,
Jane Smith, PMUCA, SEAC
Professional Member Universal Coaching Alliance
Seasoned Executive Accredited Coach



[Digital Badge Image – link to verification page]

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