

CA Comparison

InCommon CA

Recommended for:

- Server certificates for website SSL

Features:

- InCommon CA is rooted in a commercial CA certificate trusted by browsers and OSes.
- Accepts certificate requests via the [UW Certificate Services website](#).
- Supports server certificates for UW websites and other services.
- Supports unlimited server certificates for all UW-owned domains approved by InCommon.
- Wildcard certificates available to registered owners of approved domains.
- Certificates issued at no additional cost to UW departments; part of the [basic services bundle](#).
- End users don't need to install any additional root certificates.
- Server admins must install the InCommon CA intermediate certificate.
- Not trusted by most UW Web Services for client authentication.

Documentation:

- [Obtain a Certificate from the InCommon CA](#)
- [Request a New Domain for InCommon CA Certificates](#)
- [InCommon Cert Service FAQ](#)

UW Services CA

Recommended for:

- Client certificates for interaction with UW Web Services

Features:

- Accepts certificate requests via the [UW Certificate Services website](#).
- Supports client certificates for UW applications for TLS client authentication.
- Not trusted by default by browsers and operating systems.
- To avoid browser warnings, end users must [install the UW Services CA root certificate](#).
- Trusted by most [UW Web Services](#) for client authentication.

Documentation:

- [UW Services CA FAQ](#)
- [UW Services CA Technical Information](#)
- [UW Services Certificate Authority Certification Practices Statement](#)
- [Obtain a UW Services CA Certificate For a UW Application](#)
- [Installing the UW Services CA Root Certificate in a Browser](#)