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The information contained below is designed to provide a summary of the minimum education, experience, and examination requirements established by the Alabama Real Estate Appraiser Board. The information provided below can be found on the Board's website. However, we recommend you contact the Appraisal Board for more detailed information and for any changes which may have occurred in the Alabama Administrative Code.

Licensure Levels:

Trainee Real Property Appraiser

State Registered Real Property Appraiser

Licensed Real Property Appraiser

Certified Residential Real Property Appraiser

Certified General Real Property Appraiser



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IMPORTANT NOTICE: The Appraiser Qualifications Board (AQB) has adopted changes to the Real Property Appraiser Qualification Criteria that will become effective January 1, 2015. A summary of the changes can be found on The Appraisal Foundation's (TAF) website at:

<https://appraisalfoundation.sharefile.com/d/sd2f26fafefe402ab>

Licensure Requirements

Be at least 18 years old

Must have a high school diploma or its equivalent

Must meet the educational requirement for the applying level of licensure

Must meet the experience requirement for the applying level of licensure

For Certified Residential level: A minimum of an Associates Degree OR 21 college semester hours in specific subject matters is also required.

For Certified General level: A minimum of a Bachelors Degree OR 30 college semester hours in specific subject matters is also required.

Satisfactory completion of the state examination

Submit application, required documents, and associated fees.

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Education Requirements

75 hours for the Trainee Real Property Appraiser which consist of the following courses: Basic Appraisal Principles (30 hours), Basic Appraisal Procedures (30 hours), 15 Hour National USPAP Course or its equivalent (15 hours)

75 hours for the State Registered Real Property Appraiser (same course requirement as the trainee level)

150 Hours for the Licensed Real Property Appraiser which consist of the same 75 hours of Trainee education AND: Residential Market Analysis and Highest and Best Use (15 hours), Residential Appraiser Site Valuation and Cost Approach (15 hours), Residential Report Writing and Case Studies (15 Hours), Residential Sales Comparison and Income Approach (30 hours)

200 Hours for the Certified Residential Real Property Appraiser which consist of the same 150 hours of Licensed Appraiser education AND: Statistics, Modeling and Finance (15 hours), Advanced Residential Application and Case Studies (15 hours), Appraisal Subject Matter Electives (20 hours)

300 hours for the Certified General Real Property Appraiser which includes the same 200 hours for the Certified Residential Education AND: General Appraiser Sales Comparison and Income Approach (15 hours), General Appraiser Site Valuation and Cost Approach (15 hours), General Appraiser Income Approach (45 hours), General Appraiser Report Writing and Case Studies (10 hours), General Appraiser Market Analysis and Highest and Best Use (15 hours)



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Experience Requirements

Trainee Real Property Appraiser - No experience required

State Registered Real Property Appraiser - 1000 hours

Licensed Real Property Appraiser - 2000 hours in at least 24 months

Certified Residential Real Property Appraiser - 2500 hours in at least 24 months

Certified General Real Property Appraiser - 3000 hours in at least 30 months with at least 1500 hours of experience in non-residential appraisals

Continuing Education Requirements

All license expire September 30 every year, but continuing education is due September 30 on odd years.

All licensees must complete 28 hours of continuing education within the renewal cycle

At least 7 hours of this requirement must cover the USPAP Update course or its equivalent

