



Illinois Appraisal

Licensing Requirements

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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 Illinois Department of Professional Licensing. The information provided below can be found on the Department's website. However, we recommend you contact the Department for more detailed information and for any changes which may have occurred.

Licensure Levels:

Associate Real Estate Appraiser

Certified Residential License

Certified General License



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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

Must be at least 18 years of age

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.

Education Requirements

75 hours for the Associate Real Estate 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)

200 Hours for the Certified Residential Appraiser which consist of the same 75 hours of Associate Real Estate Appraiser 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) 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 Appraiser which includes the same 200 hours for the Certified Residential Appraiser 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

Associate Real Estate Appraiser - No experience requirement

Certified Residential Appraiser - 2500 hours in not less than 24 months

Certified General Appraiser - 3000 hours in not less than 30 months with at least 1500 hours of experience in non-residential appraisals

Continuing Education Requirements

All licensees expire September 30 odd number years

Appraisers are required to complete 28 hours of continuing education each renewal cycle

The 7-hour USPAP Update course or its equivalent must be taken every other year

