

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 Louisiana Real Estate Appraisers Board. The information provided below can be found on the Board's website. However, we recommend you contact the Board for more detailed information and for any changes which may have occurred.

Licensure Levels:

Real Estate Appraiser Trainee

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

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 (Real Estate Appraiser Trainees are not required to take a state exam)

Submit application, required documents (including criminal background check), and associated fees.

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Education Requirements

75 hours for the Real Estate Appraiser Trainee 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 Real Estate Appraiser 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), 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: Income Property Appraisal (60 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

Real Estate Appraiser Trainee - No experience requirement

Certified Residential Appraiser - 2500 hours in not less than 30 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

Real Estate Appraisers are required to take 30 hours of CE every two years before the December 31st deadline of the year in which the license expires.

Appraisers must complete a 7 hour National USPAP Update course during the renewal cycle

All trainees who have been licensed in excess of two years are required to obtain continuing education that is equivalent to fifteen classroom hours of instruction for each year.

