

PE and PS Initial License Application Process Revised

Pursuant to Oklahoma Administrative Rule revisions effective November 1, 2020, applicants for **Initial Licensure** for Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors will NOT be required to file an application with this office until such time as they have completed all education, examination, and experience requirements. Once a candidate has completed their qualifying degree and passed the Fundamental of Engineering or Fundamentals of Surveying, respectively, they may register directly with NCEES to take their professional exam.

Applicants will register for the FE, FS, PE and PS exams directly with the NCEES at ncees.org. Once all education, examination and experience requirements have been fulfilled, the applicant will go to the Board's website at www.pels.ok.gov and submit an application for the Board's review to obtain their professional license. Professional Land Surveyor applicants will be cited for the 2-hour Oklahoma Law and Surveying (OLS) Exam also upon Board approval.

To determine if you are qualified for future professional engineering licensure in Oklahoma based on your education and experience, please refer to the accompanying document.

PLEASE NOTE: All Initial Professional Engineer applicants will be required to submit a NCEES Record as a part of the application process. You may establish a record through your MyNCEES account (or create a MyNCEES account) at <https://account.ncees.org/login>

Other Important NCEES Examination Information Outlined Below:

➤ **NCEES PE Exam Schedule and Specifications:**

<https://ncees.org/engineering/pe/>

➤ **NCEES Computer Based Exam Schedules: FE, FS, PS, PE**

<https://ncees.org/exams/cbt/>

➤ **Regional pencil-and-paper exam administration for PE Civil examinees – January 26, 2021**

To accommodate as many pencil-and-paper examinees as safely as possible, NCEES has added a REGIONAL exam administration on January 26, 2021, for PE Civil examinees only. Registration for the regional PE Civil exam administration will open November 1, 2020, and close December 14, 2020, at 3:00 p.m. EST. The exam will be administered in the cities listed below.* Additional cities may be added before registration opens. The Oklahoma Board will accept this examination even though it is administered outside of Oklahoma.

- Phoenix, AZ
- Pomona, CA
- Denver, CO
- Orlando, FL
- Topeka, KS
- Minneapolis, MN
- Raleigh, NC
- Cleveland, OH
- Salem, OR
- Houston, TX
- Salt Lake City, UT
- Seattle, WA

*Exam sites are subject to change

Listed Below is the Experience Required to Qualify for P.E. Licensure in the State of Oklahoma

ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS						
BS Degree	MS Degree*	Ph.D. Degree**	Experience	Experience NCEES Credentials Evaluations		
				Without a Degree Evaluation	Evaluation Determined Equivalent or Deficiencies Corrected	Evaluation Determined Not Equivalent and Deficiencies Not Corrected
EAC/ABET or CEAB-Accredited BS Engineering	-	-	4 years	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
EAC/ABET OR CEAB-Accredited BS Engineering	Approved MS Eng	-	3 years	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
EAC/ABET OR CEAB-Accredited BS Engineering	Approved MS Eng	Approved Ph.D.	2 years	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
ETAC/ABET-Accredited Engineering Technology or Other Board-Approved Related Science***	-	-	6 years	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
ETAC/ABET-Accredited Engineering Technology or Other Board-Approved Related Science***	Approved MS Eng	-	3 years	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
ETAC/ABET-Accredited Engineering Technology or Other Board-Approved Related Science***	Approved MS Eng	Approved Ph.D.	2 years	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Non-Board Approved Related Science	Approved MS Eng	-	3 years	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Non-EAC/ABET or Non-CEAB Accr BS ENG	-	-	N.A.	Evaluation Required	4 years	May not qualify
Non-EAC/ABET OR Non-CEAB Accr BS ENG	Approved MS Eng	-	N.A.	6 years	3 years	6 years
Non-EAC/ABET OR Non-CEAB BS ENG	Approved MS Eng	Approved Ph.D.	N.A.	4 years	2 years	4 years

NOTE: This chart is advisory only. Other qualifying factors may be considered by the Board regarding requirements. Experience credit is evaluated by the Board based upon statutory and administrative rule provisions.

*A Master's degree in engineering is considered approved if it is from an institution that offers EAC/ABET-accredited programs.

**The Board considers each Ph.D. on an individual basis.

***A Related Science degree is defined as either an ETAC/ABET accredited engineering technology program of four years or more OR a degree of four years or more in architecture, mathematical, physical or engineering science obtained from a Board-approved program and includes a minimum of 8 hours of math beyond trigonometry including calculus, and 20 hours of engineering sciences or related sciences, including physics.

If you have questions regarding the engineering experience you are required to obtain in order to qualify for P.E. licensure, please contact Rachel Singer at rsinger@pels.ok.gov.