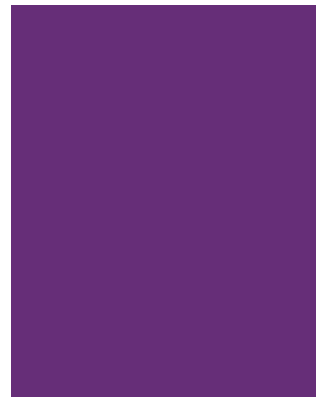


BECOMING A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER

A Guide to Obtaining a License



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The path to becoming a licensed professional engineer in Nebraska starts with knowing what is required. To ensure those individuals practicing engineering are competent, the Board of Engineers and Architects looks at three qualifications for applicants seeking licensure:

- **Education**
- **Examination**
- **Experience**

This pamphlet summarizes the pathway to initial licensure as a professional engineer. To view the detailed requirements for becoming a professional engineer in Nebraska, please refer to The Nebraska Engineers and Architects Regulation Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 81-3401 to 81-3455) and visit the Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects website at ea.nebraska.gov.

A handbook containing the Act and Board rules can be found at ea.nebraska.gov/ea-act or you can contact Board Staff for a copy.

Pathway to Becoming a Professional Engineer in Nebraska

- ☐ Obtain a degree from an EAC/ABET- or CEAB-accredited engineering program.
ABET and CEAB accredit programs, not institutions or degrees.

OR

Meet the NCEES Education Standard.

- ☐ Pass the FE Exam.
- ☐ Obtain four years of progressive engineering experience.

*Credit may be given for advanced engineering degrees.
Experience is not a prerequisite to sit for the PE Exam, but four years of experience must be completed to qualify for licensure.*

- ☐ Apply to the Board to take the Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Exam.
- ☐ After Board approval, register with NCEES to take the PE Exam.
- ☐ Pass the PE Exam.
- ☐ Submit an Engineer Initial License Application to the Board after meeting the above requirements.
- ☐ Pass an exam administered by the Board on the statutes, rules, and other requirements unique to the state of Nebraska.

Requirements for Engineer Intern Enrollment*

- ☐ Pass the FE Exam.
- ☐ Obtain a degree, from an EAC/ABET- or CEAB- accredited engineering program.
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OR

Meet the NCEES Education Standard.

- ☐ Apply to the Board to become an Engineer Intern.

**Becoming an Engineer Intern is not required to sit for the PE Exam or to become a licensed Professional Engineer.*

