

Overview of Ohio Licensing Process Professional Engineer (PE)

Ohio State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors: Foreign Education

The **Ohio State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors** requires applicants who are graduates of a four-year engineering curriculum from an institution located outside of the United States to have their undergraduate degree evaluated by [NCEES Credentials Evaluations](#). The applicants must have their college/university supply NCEES with original, official transcripts, along with an English translation. NCEES may also have a few other minor requirements. Foreign-educated applicants with a master's degree in engineering from a U.S. college or university are also required to get the degree evaluation from NCEES.

Once NCEES has completed its evaluation, applicants must forward the report to the Board of Registration for Professional Engineers if the applicant is applying for exams/registration in Ohio.

Steps for Application

Request an NCEES credential evaluation: The **Ohio State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors** requires applicants who are graduates of a four-year engineering curriculum from an institution located outside of the United States to have their undergraduate degree evaluated by [NCEES Credentials Evaluations](#). The applicants must have their college/university supply NCEES with original, official transcripts, along with an English translation.

Take and Pass the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) Examination: The FE exam is a national exam administered by the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES). It is a computer-based test delivered at Pearson Vue Select testing centers throughout Ohio and is available year round. For more information about the FE exam, visit www.ncees.org.

Obtain Engineering Work Experience: Depending on your degree type, Ohio requires 4 (EAC/ABET graduates) or 8 (ETAC/ABET Technology graduates) years of qualifying, progressive engineering practice. Engineering experience must be obtained under the full-time supervision of a professional engineer. Individuals that work in an exempt area of practice as defined in R.C. 4733.18 should review the Board's exam guidelines for information on documenting experience. More information about Ohio's experience requirement is available at www.peps.ohio.gov.

Apply for licensure and approval to take the Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Examination: You must apply to the Ohio Board for approval to take the PE exam after completing the requisite engineering experience. Once you are approved you can sign up for the PE exam.

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Disclaimer: This information is provided only as an overview. All programs, processes and/or fees are subject to change. Please verify above information with appropriate agency or governing agency.

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Complete the licensing process: Once you have met all the requirements above, you will be a Registered Professional Engineer in Ohio and will receive a Certificate of Registration along with your PE number.

All exam applications, as well as exam guidelines and the Board's laws and rules are available online at <http://www.peps.ohio.gov>.

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