

### **309.0830 Requirements for licensure as licensed alcohol and drug counselor.**

An applicant for licensure as a licensed alcohol and drug counselor shall pay the board the initial fee for licensure, and shall:

- (1) Be at least eighteen (18) years of age;
- (2) Have obtained from a regionally accredited college or university, or a college or university accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education, a thirty (30) hour master's degree in a human services field with clinical application;
- (3) Meet all education, work experience, and supervision requirements of the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium for the Alcohol and Drug Counselor, with the required supervision hours being under the direct supervision of:
  - (a) A licensed alcohol and drug counselor who has at least two (2) years of post-licensure experience and has attended the board-sponsored supervision training; or
  - (b) A licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor who has at least twelve (12) months of post-licensure experience or who has attended the board-sponsored supervision training;
- (4) Have passed a written examination that has been approved by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium;
- (5) Have signed an agreement to abide by the standards of practice and code of ethics approved by the board;
- (6) Have completed at least six (6) hours of ethics training; three (3) hours of domestic violence training; and two (2) hours training in the transmission, control, treatment, and prevention of the human immunodeficiency virus, in addition to the educational requirements in subsection (2) of this section;
- (7) Have submitted two (2) letters of reference from certified alcohol and drug counselors, licensed alcohol and drug counselors, or licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselors;
- (8) Live or work at least a majority of the time in Kentucky; and
- (9) Have complied with the requirements for the training program in suicide assessment, treatment, and management in KRS 210.366 and any administrative regulations promulgated thereunder.

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