

OVERVIEW ON BECOMING A CERTIFIED APPRAISER:

Effective January 1, 2015, there are three arms to becoming certified after initial registration as an associate appraiser: education, experience, examination. All education and experience must be completed prior to examination. This criteria is set by the federal Appraiser Qualifications Board and cannot be waived.

Education requires two parts:

Bachelor's degree or higher from a college or university accredited by the Commission on Colleges, a regional or national accreditation association or by an accrediting agency that is recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education.

Completion of additional qualifying education hours as specified in the Appraiser Qualifications Board Core Curriculum. The initial 75 hours required to register as an associate count toward the qualifying education total. Credit toward qualifying education requirements may also be obtained via the completion of a degree in Real Estate from an accredited degree-granting college or university, provided that the college or university had its curriculum reviewed and approved by the AQB. For specific courses, please see the handout titled: **Criteria Chart**.

Experience:

All experience required for initial certification pursuant to Iowa Code section 543D.9 must be performed as a registered associate under the direct supervision of a certified real property appraiser pursuant to the provisions of 193F-Chapter 15. While the experience hours may be cumulative, the number of months in active status must accrue before an individual can be certified. The verification of quality experience is performed through work product review (WPR).

Examination prerequisites:

- Completion of all required qualifying education.
- Bachelor's degree or higher
- Qualifying experience completed

When submitting the necessary items for examination, WPR will be initiated.

DATES TO NOTE:

WPR process takes approximately 60-90 days from the date the appraisals are submitted to our office to Board approval.

The work product review is good for 60 days from date of board approval.

The examination is good for 24 months.