To become an Associate Appraiser (Also known in some states as a Trainee):

Prerequisites:

- 75 hours of qualifying courses approved by the Appraiser Qualifications Board including
 15 hour National USPAP course.
- Identify a supervisor
- Take the Supervisor/Associate Course
- Complete the Associate application and submit to the Board office

To Become Certified Residential:

- Total of 200 hours of qualifying courses approved by the Appraiser Qualifications Board. This includes the initial 75 hours to become an associate appraiser.
- A Bachelor's degree or higher (in any field) from an accredited college or university.
- 2,500 experience hours obtained during no fewer than 24 months while registered in active status as an associate.
- Exam-Taken after all education and experience are completed; exam application is submitted with the work product review
- Work Product Review (WPR)-Log submitted when exam application submitted

To Become Certified General:

- Total of 300 hours of qualifying courses approved by the Appraiser Qualifications Board. This includes the initial 75 hours to become an associate appraiser.
- A Bachelor's degree or higher (in any field) from an accredited college or university
- 3,000 hours, obtained during no fewer than 30 months, including a minimum 1,500 hours non-residential while registered as an associate.
- Exam-Taken after all education and experience are completed; exam application is submitted with the work product review
- Work Product Review (WPR)-Log submitted when exam application submitted

Qualifying courses must be those courses identified on the Core Curriculum set forth by the Appraiser Qualification Criteria promulgated by the Appraiser Qualifications Board of The Appraisal Foundation. With respect to associate appraiser applicants, the initial 75 hours of qualifying education must be completed within the five (5) year period prior to the date of submission of an associate appraiser application.