



AMERICAN COUNSELING ASSOCIATION

LICENSURE CHANGES 2011 TO 2014

California Licensure

- ❖ Beginning February 2011, the California Board of Behavioral Sciences will start accepting applications for grandparenting, reciprocity, and LPCC Interns. The grandparenting period will end June 30, 2011.
- ❖ January 1, 2012, the California Board of Behavioral Sciences will start accepting applications for regular licensure.

Educational Requirements

- ❖ California, beginning August 1, 2012, will require 60 semester hours (up from 48 semester hours) for those who begin graduate study after August 1, 2012, or who begin study before 2012 and do not complete it before 2018.
- ❖ New Jersey, beginning October 5, 2012, will require all applicants to complete a master's degree in counseling from a CACREP-accredited program.
- ❖ North Carolina, beginning June 30, 2013, will require 60 semester hours (up from 48 semester hours previously, and 54 hours currently).
- ❖ North Dakota has *proposed* increasing the 48 semester hour requirement to 60 semester hours for the LPC credential. The LPCC credential currently requires 60 semester hours.
- ❖ Oregon, beginning October 1, 2014, will require 60 semester hours (up from 48 semester hours) and a 700 clock hour practicum/internship (up from 600 clock hours).

Examination Requirements

- ❖ North Carolina, beginning July 1, 2011, will begin requiring passage of a jurisprudence exam for licensure.
- ❖ Utah no longer requires passage of a state jurisprudence exam for licensure (but now requires 6 hours of continuing education in ethics and/or law every renewal cycle).