



Exam Eligibility

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Is exam eligibility arbitrary?

- ▶ The NBCE is required to determine exam eligibility.
 - ▶ In order to have valid testing procedures, the NBCE must establish the qualifications that are necessary for each of its exams.
 - ▶ This process ensures that only duly qualified individuals take the NBCE exams, and only at the appropriate stages in their training.

Is exam eligibility arbitrary?

- ▶ Eligibility rules for NBCE exams are not arbitrary
 - ▶ Rules are designed to ensure that examinees have been exposed to the minimum educational experiences necessary to pass the exams.
 - ▶ Coursework
 - ▶ Clinical training
 - ▶ Examinees should be able to meet accreditation and regulatory standards.
 - ▶ NBCE wants to avoid burdening unqualified examinees with excessive failures and retakes.
 - ▶ Most states require a minimum amount of coursework to be eligible for licensure.
 - ▶ NBCE's eligibility requirements meet or surpass the state standards
 - ▶ State regulatory boards can be assured that a successful examinee has met the requirements for licensure and has shown they possess the knowledge and skills to be a safe and effective entry-level practitioner.

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- ▶ The specific qualifications for each exam are published.
 - ▶ See the MyNBCE website.
 - ▶ Establishing eligibility will vary.
 - ▶ Specific exam requirements
 - ▶ Whether the applicant is still a student, or has already graduated

Is exam eligibility arbitrary?

- ▶ Chiropractic colleges must approve their students' eligibility.
 - ▶ All students must obtain authorization from their school administrators before the NBCE considers them eligible for an examination.
 - ▶ This is true even if other qualifications are met.



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▶ No

What questions do you have?