

Steps to becoming a Licensed Psychologist

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**Obtain
Doctoral
Degree**

4-6 years of organized graduate study in psychology

Dissertation based on original research

Degree must be from a program accredited by the American Psychological Association or from a regionally accredited institution.

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**Pass
EPPP**

All applicants are required to pass the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) prior to the Board granting licenses. The minimum acceptable score for the EPPP is 70 percent.

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**Pass
Jurisprudence
Exam**

The Jurisprudence Examination is required of all candidates for licensure and covers the Texas Psychologists' Licensing Act, Board rules, and other applicable laws. The minimum score for licensure for psychologists must receive a minimum score of 90 percent.

4

**Obtain 3,500+
supervised
hours**

Two years of supervised experience, at least one of which must have been received after the conferral or completion of the doctoral degree. At least one year of experience must be satisfied by a formal internship. Minimum of 3,500 hours of supervised experience.

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**Pass
Oral Exam**

After predoctoral and postdoctoral internship hours, all candidates for licensure must pass an in-person oral examination.

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**Obtain
Licensure**

Obtain Provisionally Licensed Psychologist Licensure in which PLP is supervised by a licensed psychologist for two years before obtaining full licensure.

To maintain license, psychologists must receive 20 hours of professional development each year.

4-6 years

2 years



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**Total Mental
Health Education 6-8 years**