

(1) Has submitted a complete written application in the form prescribed by the Board;

(2) Is at least 18 years old;

(3) Is of good moral character;

(4) Except as otherwise provided in this title, has successfully passed an examination or examinations prescribed by the Board pertinent to the license sought; **and**

(5) Has paid all applicable fees specified by the Board relative to the licensure process.

(b) To obtain a social work associate license, an applicant shall:

(1) Meet the requirements of subsection (a) of this section; and

(2) Have received a baccalaureate degree in social work from a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education OR AN EQUIVALENT ORGANIZATION APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL ON SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION.

(c) (1) To obtain a graduate social worker license, an applicant shall:

(i) Meet the requirements of subsection (a) of this section; and

(ii) Have received a master's degree from a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education OR AN EQUIVALENT ORGANIZATION APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL ON SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION.

(2) (i) To obtain a provisional graduate social worker license, an applicant shall:

1. Meet the requirements of subsection (a) of this section; **and**

2. Have received a master's degree from a program which had received formal candidacy status from the Council on Social Work Education OR AN EQUIVALENT ORGANIZATION APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL ON SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION at the time the degree was awarded.

(ii) A provisional graduate social work license shall be issued for the lesser of a period:

1. Not to exceed 3 years; or

2. Until the program has attained accredited status from the Council on Social Work Education OR AN EQUIVALENT ORGANIZATION APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL ON SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION.

(iii) Provisional licensees whose degree programs become accredited during the license period shall be permitted to apply for a license as a graduate social worker upon accreditation being granted to the program.