

# Requirements for initial (first-time) PS licensure (offered only to MS residents)

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## UNTIL AND THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016:

- the FS (SI) exam +
- completion of approved courses\* +
- 3 years of qualifying surveying experience +
- the PPS (PS) exam +
- the Mississippi Section exam

## **OR**

- the FS (SI) exam +
- 7 years\*\* of qualifying surveying experience +
- the PPS (PS) exam +
- the Mississippi Section exam

\*Approved Courses are:

Surveying	9 hours
Math: alg, trig, calc	9 hours
Physics	8 hours
Graphics	3 hours
Computer Science	6 hours
English/writing	9 hours
Electives	18 hours
<b>Total</b>	<b>62 hours</b>

A grade point average of 2.0 or higher on a 4.0 point scale is required in the technical courses of surveying, math, physics, graphics, and computer sciences.

Recommended electives: accounting, real estate, land law, astronomy, general business, business law

\*\*May be a combination of experience plus education in the approved courses listed above

**FROM AND AFTER JULY 1, 2016:**

- A bachelor's degree in geomatics, surveying or surveying technology approved by the board consisting of a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) semester hours, or the equivalent, in surveying curriculum subjects and a specific record of four (4) years of qualifying surveying experience; **OR**
- A bachelor's degree in a related science curriculum defined by board rule, consisting of sixty-two (62) semester hours in surveying curriculum subjects as defined by board rule, and a specific record of five (5) years of qualifying surveying experience; **OR**
- A bachelor's degree in a related science curriculum defined by board rule, and a specific record of six (6) years of qualifying surveying experience; **OR**
- An associate degree, or its equivalent, in a curriculum approved by the board consisting of sixty-two (62) semester hours in surveying curriculum subjects as defined by board rule, and a specific record of seven (7) years or more of qualifying surveying experience; **OR**
- A high school diploma, or its equivalent, and a specific record of twelve (12) years or more of qualifying surveying experience;

**AND**

**Passing the Fundamentals of Surveying exam (8 hours), the Principles and Practice of Surveying exam (6 hours), and the Mississippi Section exam (2 hours)**

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## **Requirements for Comity PS Licensure**

Rule 4.02 states, "Licensure as a Professional Surveyor by comity will be granted only to applicants who are registered by fourteen (14) hours of NCEES examinations, or its equivalency as determined by the Board. The Mississippi Section examination (2 hours) will be required of all applicants for licensure by comity."

**In summary, comity PS applicants must meet the same requirements as the requirements for initial licensure listed above.**

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