

FAQ's for the Application for Certification as an Engineer Intern www.bels.alabama.gov

General

Who do I make my check payable to?

PE & LS Fund.

Do you accept credit cards?

No.

Does my application have to be typed?

Yes. There are no exceptions. You can type in the PDF file on the website and then print the application.

What address do I send my application to?

It depends on how you are sending it. First class mail - use the PO Box address. Overnight mail - use the street address.

Can the application form be faxed or e-mailed?

No. We must have the form with the original signature and the check.

Can the FE exam be waived?

No. Our law has no provisions to waive the exam regardless of degrees received or experience.

Education

Are correspondence classes/distance learning degrees acceptable?

No.

Do I have to have a degree?

Yes.

Does my transcript have to be mailed directly to you from my school?

Yes. We cannot accept a transcript from the applicant, faxed or emailed transcripts.

I received my engineering degree outside the United States. Is that acceptable?

Yes. Your foreign degree will be required to be evaluated by NCEES.

Does my foreign degree have to be evaluated?

Yes. The Board requires that your education be evaluated through NCEES regardless of additional degrees received. Please contact NCEES at www.ncees.org to request an education evaluation packet. They will provide you with information and instructions regarding what they need to evaluate your education. **There is no waiver to this requirement.**

My degree was evaluated by a different agency than one of the board approved agencies. Will you still accept my evaluation?

No. The board only accepts evaluations performed by NCEES. AACRAO or Josef Silny will be accepted if the evaluation was performed prior to 7/1/09. There is no waiver to the requirement.

It will take too long or it's been too long since I graduated to have an evaluation performed. Can it be waived since I have a United States MS or PhD in engineering?

No. There is no waiver capability.

I have an engineering technology or related science degree. Can I apply for engineering licensure in Alabama?

We only accept engineering technology or related science degrees if you also have an ABET accredited MS or PhD in engineering that has been received in addition to your BS. If you have an ABET BS engineering technology degree or a regionally accredited BS that is non-engineering, you are required to submit the Request for Board Evaluation of Transcript Related Science.

Are 2 year degrees acceptable?

No.

Do you need transcripts from all my schools or just where an engineering degree was earned?

Just from the school where you received your engineering degree.