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**Licensure and education requirements for admission of applicants holding a doctoral degree in counselor education to the examination for professional counselor, who do not meet the education requirements in rule 4757-13-01 of the Administrative Code.**

- (A) The requirements for licensure as a professional counselor are generally set forth in sections 4757.22 and 4757.23 of the Revised Code. Applicants holding a doctoral degree in counselor education have completed considerable numbers of hours of coursework beyond the minimum requirements. Applicants shall be granted a licensed professional counselor license once they meet the requirements in paragraphs (B) and (C) of this rule. Applicants holding a license in another state shall apply under endorsement per rule 4757-13-06 of the Administrative Code.
- (B) If an applicant holds a doctoral degree in counselor education, but is missing specific courses required in paragraph (A)(5) of rule 4757-13-01 of the Administrative Code, the board may offer them a consent agreement for professional counselor licensure with the following stipulations:
- (1) The applicant shall have completed all core courses in paragraph (A)(4) of rule 4757-13-01 of the Administrative Code with emphasis on the internship including the diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional disorders.
  - (2) The applicant shall document completion of all clinical courses in paragraph (A)(5) of rule 4757-13-01 of the Administrative Code before he or she is able to renew the professional counselor license. Should the coursework not be completed the professional counselor license may not be renewed until the course work is completed and documented by a transcript received at the board directly from the institution. The transcript courses shall be acceptable course(s) if they meet the requirements of paragraph (J)(1) of rule 4757-3-01 of the Administrative Code.
  - (3) The consent agreement shall clearly delineate the necessary coursework to meet the requirements of paragraph (A)(5) of rule 4757-13-01 of the Administrative Code.
- (C) All applicants for licensure as a professional counselor under this rule shall:
- (1) Meet the educational requirements as established in paragraph (B) or (C) of this rule; and
  - (2) Successfully complete the licensure examination prescribed by the counselor professional standards committee. Applicants for the professional counselor

examination shall have passed the required examination in accordance with rule 4757-13-02 of the Administrative Code; and

- (3) ~~Be of good moral character.~~ Meet the board's requirements for criminal convictions as established under section 9.79 of the Revised Code, and
- (4) Have met all of the initial application requirements established in rule 4757-1-04 of the Administrative Code.

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