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**Requirements for a certificate of registration as a social work assistant for individuals applying under division (C) of section 4757.27 of the Revised Code.**

Applicants for a certificate of registration as a social work assistant must apply in accordance with rule 4757-1-04 of the Administrative Code and must meet either the minimum educational requirement or the minimum experience requirement set forth in division (A)(3) of section 4757.08 prior to March 18, 1997, of the Revised Code.

(A) The education requirement for a certificate of registration as a social work assistant is at least an associate degree in a counseling program from an accredited educational institution in which:

- (1) The applicant must have completed a minimum of eighteen semester hours or twenty seven quarter hours of courses, at least one of which is concerned primarily with counseling techniques. The remainder of the courses must be in at least four of the following program areas: human growth and development, social and cultural foundations, group dynamics, counseling theory; and professional, legal, and ethical responsibilities; and,
- (2) The applicant must have completed five hundred clock hours of supervised field experience, which may include up to two hundred clock hours of laboratory experience, under the supervision of someone licensed as a professional counselor, professional clinical counselor, social worker with at least a bachelor's degree in social work, or independent social worker.
  - (a) "Laboratory experience" is defined as observation or participation, in a classroom or agency setting, in specific activities including: basis counseling techniques such as role-playing, video-taping and viewing playbacks, and listening to audio tapes; preparing and examining case studies; testing; job placement and use of career information materials; work evaluation; utilization and evaluation of community resources; client and political advocacy; and professional activities such as volunteer work with human service agencies.
  - (b) An applicant who qualifies under paragraph (A)(2) of this rule must show evidence through course syllabi, statements from instructors or agency directors, or college catalog course descriptions to meet the

requirements of paragraph (A)(2) of this rule.

- (B) For an applicant without an academic degree, or whose degree does not meet the educational requirements of this rule, the requirements for a certificate of registration as a social work assistant are two years of paid experience related to counseling under the supervision of a licensed professional counselor, a licensed social worker with at least a bachelor's degree in social work, a licensed independent social worker, a licensed psychologist, or a psychiatrist;
- (1) Except that for experience obtained before October 10, 1985, the supervision may be by counselors, or social workers with at least a bachelor's degree in social work, who meet the requirements in effect on October 10, 1985 for a license issued by this board.
- (2) A "year of experience" means at least one thousand five hundred hours of paid employment in counseling and counseling-related activities as defined in division (A) of section 4757.01 of the Revised Code, credit for a fraction of a year will be granted if less than one thousand five hundred hours are accrued during any twelve-month period. However, no applicant shall be credited with more than one year of experience in any twelve-month period.
- (C) Experience used to qualify for a certificate of registration as a social work assistant cannot also be used to meet the experience requirement for any other license or certificate of registration granted by the board.
- (D) Applications for registration under this rule must be filed with the office by five pm on March 18, 1998 pursuant to division (C) 4757.27 of the Revised Code.

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