

PSYCHOLOGIST

For those starting a Bachelor's degree

Check out the [University of Louisville Organizational Leadership and Learning \(OLL\)](#) program for a bachelor's degree. Earn Work Specialization for prior military service and work experience credits up to **48 college credits with saving up to \$24,000 tuition savings**



For those earning a Masters or Doctoral degree, meet the education requirements per 201 KAR 26:200

Doctoral degree will require a minimum of three (3) years, including a minimum of one (1) full academic year



1. Submit application to the Board for temporary license

- **The first step in the licensure process is to complete an**
 - Application for Licensure as a Psychologist; and
 - 3 letters of recommendation from people who can attest to your work within the past five years (at least two of these letters must come from individuals with doctoral degrees in psychology) and a \$200 application fee; and
 - Undergraduate and graduate transcripts
 - Once your application has been approved by the Board, you will be issued a temporary license. This will allow you to finish earning your supervised hours (if needed) and take the exams required for licensure.

2. Gain two years of supervised professional experience (SPE) in your area of training

3. Exam

- When the Board issues your temporary license, they will also grant you permission to take the exams required for licensure.
 - National Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP)
 - After you have passed the EPPP, take the two state exams:
 1. Rules and regulations related to mental health practice in Kentucky; you must earn a score of 80% or higher to pass.
 2. Oral exam on ethical and professional principles. You will be rated by two licensed psychologists and you need to receive a "pass" from both to successfully complete the test.

4. Request your full psychology license

- Complete your SPE, pass all of the required exams, complete the final page of the Application for Licensure as a Psychologist, which will document any SPE hours you earned under your temporary license and pay a \$250 licensure fee to receive your full license.

Reciprocity if already licensed in another state:

Practicing under your current license for at least five years and either be certified by the [National Register of Health Service Psychologists](#) or have a [Certificate of Professional Qualification \(CPQ\)](#) from the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB). Submit a completed [Application For Licensure as a Psychologist by Reciprocity](#) and pay \$200 application fee and take the two State Exams

Kentucky is one of the Psypact participating states for the doctoral level of Psychology. Kentucky legislation are making modifications so check back with [Psypact](#) for updates.



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