

Licensure By Examination

Please read the requirements below. If you would like an application, please send an email with your name and mailing address to:
kelly.kendall@arkansas.gov .

The **Licensure By Examination** application is used to verify that you have met all the criteria required by Arkansas to receive an original license by examination in Arkansas using your NAPLEX score. (This is a license that you may reciprocate from.) *Please note that your NAPLEX score is only good for six months, therefore you must complete this process within six months of receiving your scores. If you do not gain licensure by examination, you may apply for reciprocity **after** you have been licensed six months, but you will **not** receive an **original license**.*

If you are an out of state graduate and wish to Score Transfer (transfer your NAPLEX score to Arkansas in order to receive an original license by exam), you will need to ask for a score transfer to Arkansas when you apply to take the NAPLEX. Providing you pass the exam and meet all other criteria, you will be eligible for an original license in Arkansas.

All applicants will need to complete a **Licensure by Examination** application. Your college must complete a portion of the application. You will need a total of 2000 hours to be eligible to take the NAPLEX. Up to 1500 hours may be accepted from your college, and 500 hours – accrued outside of a school setting - must be verified by your state Board of Pharmacy. If your state does not track intern experiential hours, you must obtain these hours in Arkansas.

In order to obtain any deficient hours, you will need to apply for an [Intern License](#). Once you have received your intern license you will need to complete an [Intern Training Plan](#) in order to receive a Buff Card so that you may begin working. A Buff Card is only required for the first 500 hours. After you have completed 500 hours, and before you are licensed as a pharmacist, you will be required to work under the supervision of a pharmacist. You will also need to turn in an [Affidavit of Experience](#) when you have completed your hours.

You will also need to set up a time to take the Arkansas Jurisprudence Exam. (Arkansas does not utilize the MPJE). Please send an email to the above mentioned address to set up an appointment.

Once you have received all your 2000 hours either by working in Arkansas, or by verification from your college of pharmacy and board of pharmacy, passed the NAPLEX, passed the Arkansas Jurisprudence Exam and submitted your **Licensure by Examination** application, you will then be eligible to apply for an Arkansas license.