

65-6505. Qualifications for licensure. (a) Speech-language pathologists or audiologists shall meet the following qualifications for licensure under this act:

(1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), possession of at least a master's degree or equivalent in speech-language pathology or audiology from an educational institution with standards consistent with those of the state universities of Kansas approved by the secretary pursuant to rules and regulations;

(2) completion of supervised clinical practicum experiences from an educational institution or its cooperating programs the content of which shall be consistent with the standards of the state universities of Kansas and delineated in the rules and regulations;

(3) except as otherwise provided in subsection (c), completion of a postgraduate professional experience pursuant to rules and regulations; and

(4) passage of an examination in speech-language pathology or audiology pursuant to rules and regulations.

(b) Any individual seeking licensure as an audiologist on or after January 1, 2012, shall possess at least a doctorate degree or equivalent in audiology from an educational institution with standards consistent with those of the state universities of Kansas approved by the secretary pursuant to rules and regulations. Any individual who possesses at least a master's degree or equivalent in audiology prior to January 1, 2012, shall be deemed to have met the educational requirement of subsection (a)(1) for licensure as an audiologist.

(c) Any applicant who possesses an audiology clinical doctoral degree shall be exempt from the requirements in subsection (a)(3).

History: L. 1991, ch. 177, § 5; L. 1995, ch. 260, § 6; L. 2010, ch. 118, § 5; July 1.