

ABVE MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES

- **JOIN A FORUM** for the exchange of ideas and information related to forensic vocational practice. ABVE provides the tools, resources, and access to a professional network needed to accelerate professional growth.
- **INCREASE YOUR VISIBILITY** with a listing in the ABVE Member Directory. This online directory is available to law offices for reference and referral, and affords a means to build your professional network and expand your business.
- **RECEIVE ABVE PUBLICATIONS** including the peer-reviewed *Journal of Forensic Vocational Analysis* and a quarterly electronic newsletter, *The Vocational Expert*.
- **ATTEND THE ANNUAL ABVE CONFERENCE**, typically in late March or early April, to network with colleagues, increase your knowledge and skills, and to obtain CEUs.

COSTS

- \$225 – One-time non-refundable application fee
- \$140 – ABVE Annual Membership fee
- \$80 – IPEC Annual Credential Fee



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The IPEC is a credential created out of a national, scientific, pragmatic and forensic movement to train and maintain competency of Master's and PhD/PsyD/EdD level evaluators in the selection, administration, scoring, analyzing, interpreting and reporting of psychometric tests and measurements. Research illustrates that many Masters' and Doctorate-level professionals lack a consistent and available training ground to obtain and sustain evidence-based psychometric knowledge and competency after graduate school.

WHY SHOULD YOU BECOME IPEC CERTIFIED?

- Develop and maintain competence in Forensic & Psychological Evaluation as supported by Evidence-Based Assessment;
- Align with IPEC Best Practices for Legal, Ethical, & Cultural Competency in Forensic Assessment; and
- Maintain Psychometrics in Quantitative & Qualitative Methods that are consistent with Evidence Based Practice (EBP) as well as Daubert/Fry Standards for testifying as a forensic expert.

WHO IS QUALIFIED TO APPLY?

- **Licensed Psychologists** are qualified to be grandfathered by submitting a copy of their current license to practice, the completed application and the IPEC application fee.
- **Master's Level counselors who can show proof of having held their Certified Vocational Evaluator (CVE) certification** are qualified to be grandfathered. Proof of the CVE and Master's degree are required along with the completed application and fee.
- **Master's Level counselors who have not held a CVE and hold one of the Master's level degrees listed below must provide:**

o **Transcripts:** Proof of transcripts/equivalent coursework, and sample work experience. Any discipline that deviates from the list below will be reviewed by the Peer Review Committee to determine if qualified.

- Master's in Psychology (MA, MS, M.Ed.)
- Master's in School Psychology
- Master's in Rehabilitation
- Master's in Education
- Master's in Social Work
- Master's in Counseling/Therapy/Family Therapy
- Master's in Health Related Field

o **Specific Education Courses and Equivalents:** Every Master's level program has different accreditation standards; therefore, coursework titles and descriptions will be reviewed to determine if these meet the following Education and or Equivalent Standards for the IPEC. At least five of the following eight course equivalents must be met for grandfathering.

- Tests & Measurements
- Inferential Statistics
- Descriptive Statistics
- Assessment/Evaluation
- Ethics in Testing
- Multicultural/Ethnic Perspectives
- Theories
- Specialized Psychometric Testing

o **Professional Experience:** There are at least 11 different testing domains recognized in the Psychometric Industry. Applicants must provide samples to show they administer, interpret, and or score with regard to at least three of the 11 domains. This can be shown in a testing report or general report with psychometric data embedded.

- Academic
- Achievement
- Personality/Behavioral Health
- Intelligence/Cognitive
- Career/Vocational
- Neuropsychology
- Forensic
- Speech/Language
- Work Evaluation/Work Capacity
- Pain/Medical
- Research

MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Once qualified during the grandfathering period, it will be mandatory for the applicant to take the IPEC exam in order to establish norms for the IPEC exam. The score will not have an effect upon the certification status. However, if the IPEC exam is not taken the grandfathering exemption will be revoked.
- Continuing Education credits are required to maintain IPEC Certification. You must have 42 CEU's on file with ABVE at the end of each 3-year cycle to maintain your IPEC certification.