

INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATION

§1201. Instructor Qualification

- A. A person desiring to be approved as a massage therapy instructor of a specific massage therapy technique or clinical practicum-related modality shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Board of Massage Therapy that the applicant has met one of the following:
1. that the person is a currently licensed therapist in good standing with the Board of Massage Therapy; and
 2. that the person has lawfully practiced massage therapy for at least four years, or has grandfathered in as stated in Subsection B below; and
 3. that the person has completed at least two times the hours of training in which he/she is responsible in the specific module, except that this Subparagraph shall not apply to instruction of basic Swedish and/or relaxation massage therapy.
- B. A person may be grandfathered in as an instructor, if the person has:
1. applied for and paid for a license as an instructor on board approved applications within 45 days of promulgation of rule;
 2. is currently approved by the Board of Regents; and
 3. is a licensed massage therapist currently in good standing with the Board of Massage Therapy.
- C. A person desiring to be approved as an instructor of anatomy lecture, physiology lecture, or kinesiology lecture shall produce evidence satisfactory to the Board of Massage Therapy that the individual either:
1. is a licensed massage therapist in good standing with the Board of Massage Therapy and has lawfully practiced massage therapy for at least four years; or
 2. has a minimum of an associates or bachelor's degree from a college or university which is accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the US Department of Education, or a substantially equivalent accrediting body of a foreign sovereign state, with a major in one of the following: anatomy, physiology, kinesiology, sports medicine, exercise physiology, nursing, education with a concentration in biology or a substantially equivalent major; or
 3. is a licensed physician (MD), osteopath, chiropractor, or registered nurse.
- D. A person desiring to be certified as an instructor of business practices and marketing shall produce evidence satisfactory to the Board of Massage Therapy that the individual either:
1. has a least four years of experience as a full-time practicing massage therapist and owner/operator of a valid massage therapy establishment; or
 2. has a minimum of a bachelor's degree from a college or university which is accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, or a substantially equivalent accrediting body of a foreign sovereign state, with a major in business, marketing, or a substantially equivalent major.

- E. A person desiring to be certified as an instructor of Louisiana Law, and Rules and Regulations, Ethics, pertaining to massage therapy shall produce evidence satisfactory to the Board of Massage Therapy that the individual either:
 - 1. is a licensed massage therapist in good standing with the Board of Massage Therapy and has lawfully practiced massage therapy for a least four years; or
 - 2. holds a valid license to practice law in Louisiana as evidence by a certificate from the Supreme Court of Louisiana that the individual is a member in good standing of a bar of that court.
- F. A person desiring to be approved as an instructor of first aid, safety, hygiene or sanitary practices shall produce evidence satisfactory to the Board of Massage Therapy that the individual either:
 - 1. is a licensed massage therapist in good standing with the Board of Massage Therapy and has lawfully practiced massage therapy for at least four years; or
 - 2. is licensed as a registered nurse; or
 - 3. has a minimum of a bachelor's degree from a college or university which is accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the US Department of Education, or a substantially equivalent accrediting body of a foreign sovereign state, with a major in nursing, or a substantially equivalent major.
- G. A person desiring to be certified as an instructor of hydrotherapy shall produce evidence satisfactory to the Board of Massage Therapy that the individual is a licensed massage therapist in good standing with the Board of Massage Therapy and has lawfully practiced massage therapy for at least four years.
- H. A person desiring to be approved as an instructor of CPR shall produce evidence satisfactory to the Board of Massage Therapy that the individual has been certified by the American Red Cross or The American Heart Association as an instructor in these topics.
- I. A person desiring to be approved as an instructor of AIDS/HIV and infectious disease awareness shall produce evidence satisfactory to the board that the individual has been certified by the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as an AIDS/HIV counselor.