

ALABAMA BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COUNSELING

ALC AND LPC CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Relevant Professional and Continuing Educational Experience (255-X-2-18)

A professional program, seminar, workshop, or formal graduate course work in a regionally accredited institution, consisting of at least one (1) contact hour focused on increasing knowledge and use of skills in the private practice of counseling in one or more of the following areas: counseling theory and practice, human growth and development, social and multicultural foundations, helping relationships, group dynamics, lifestyle and career development, appraisal of individuals, research and evaluation, or professional orientation.

Real-time Participation in Continuing Education Activities (255-X-7-.01(4)(3) and 255-X-7-.02(3)(e)

Effective August 1, 2011, a minimum of seventy-five percent (75%) of the continuing education activities required for any licensure renewal period must consist of real-time participation in seminars, classes, workshops, presentations, training programs, or similar activities. Such real-time participation must involve licensee presence in the location of the activity as it occurs or use of interactive technology by the licensee for the activity as it occurs. Self-contained activities (e.g., recorded presentations, reading, online study) that do not feature opportunities for dialogue and interaction for the licensee as the activity occurs do not qualify as real-time participation in continuing education.

ALC CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

An ALC whose license was issued after December 31, 2009 must have ten (10) hours of approved continuing education credit completed during the term of the current license. The ten (10) hours of approved continuing education credit must contain seven and one-half (7.5) hours of real-time participation activities and two (2) hours devoted to counseling ethics. (See 255-X-7-.02 for entire text concerning ALC licensure renewal.)

LPC CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

An LPC must have forty (40) hours of approved continuing education credit completed during the term of the current license. The forty (40) hours of approved continuing education credit must contain thirty (30) hours of real-time participation activities and six (6) hours devoted to counseling ethics. (See 255-X-7-.01 for entire text concerning LPC licensure renewal.)

RENEWAL OF LAPSED, EXPIRED ALC OR LPC LICENSE RENEWAL

For information and forms to renew lapsed or expired ALC or LPC license, contact the office of the Alabama Board of Examiners in Counseling 205 458-8716 or 1 800 822-3307.

