

Important information for candidates for the Fundamentals of Engineering and the Fundamentals of Surveying Examinations

October will be the last administration of the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) and Fundamentals of Surveying (FS) examinations in a pencil and paper format. The National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) will begin offering the FE and the FS examinations in a computer based testing format (CBT) beginning in January 2014. NCEES will not begin registering applicants for either examination until November 4, 2013.

The examinations will be given eight months out of the year and an applicant may take the exam three times in a 12-month period. The examinations will be given in the following months: January, February, April, May, July, August, October and November.

FE Candidates

FE examination candidates who have completed at least two years of an ABET accredited engineering degree will apply directly to NCEES for approval and registration for the examination. Candidates who are applying without an ABET accredited degree will need to apply to the Pennsylvania Board for approval prior to registering with NCEES to take the examination.

FE candidates with an ABET accredited degree, or who have completed at least two years of an ABET accredited degree program, may begin registering directly with NCEES for the examination on November 4, 2013.

Candidates who have graduated from an ABET accredited program AND have passed the FE examination will need to apply for the Engineer in Training Certificate. Applications are available for download from www.pcshq.com. The Board contracts with Professional Credential Services, Inc. for some of its application and examination services.

FE candidates without an ABET accredited degree may begin applying for examination approval from the Board at any time. Applications are available for download from www.pcshq.com. Candidates without an ABET accredited degree who have been approved by the board and have passed the examination will be issued an Engineer in Training Certificate.

FS Candidates

FS examination candidates will apply to the Board for approval before registering with NCEES for the examination.

FS candidates may begin applying for examination approval from the Board at any time. Applications are available for download from the board's website:

<http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/EngineersLandSurveyorsandGeologists/Pages/Initial-Engineer-and-Land-Surveyor-Application-Information.aspx#.VUpTvFbD8qI>

Candidates who have successfully passed the FS examination and have met all the requirements will be issued a Surveyor in Training certificate.