



Guidance For Civil Engineering Students



On Licensing and Ethical Responsibilities

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What is a Licensed Civil Engineering?

The professional engineer license grants you the opportunity to perform engineering services for the public, and have the privilege of applying your state-authorized engineering seal to your engineering work.

With this privilege comes the obligation to take responsibility for your designs, reports, professional opinions, and plans.

What are the typical licensure requirements

- ❑ Graduating from an ABET accredited engineering program
- ❑ Passing the national Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) exam
- ❑ Obtaining four years (or, three years past a masters degree in some states) of acceptable engineering experience, with increasing levels of responsibility, preferably under the guidance of one or more licensed engineers

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- Submitting a detailed application documenting, among other things, a progressive increase in responsible professional experience, and including both professional and **character** references
- Passing the Principles of Engineering (PE) exam

Why should I Become a Licensed Engineer?

- Technical Responsibility
- Public Recognition
- Private Practice
- Public Practice
- Changing Workplace
- Ethical Responsibility