WAC 308-15-055 What are the minimum requirements to be eligible for an engineering geologist specialty license? You must meet the following requirements to be eligible for an engineering geologist license:

(1) You hold a current Washington state geologist license; and

(2) You have knowledge of the engineering geology of Washington state; and

(3) You have completed and passed the requirements of advanced study pertinent to engineering geology and acceptable to the board as follows:

(a) Eighteen semester or twenty-seven quarter credit hours of graded academic coursework; or

(b) Two hundred seventy hours of qualifying seminars or workshops, as acceptable to the board; or

(c) Five hundred forty hours of on-the-job training under the supervision of state-licensed engineering geologists or others who, in the opinion of the board, are qualified to have responsible charge of engineering geologic projects; or

(d) Any combination of (a), (b), and/or (c) of this subsection, as acceptable to the board; and

(4) You have five years of professional engineering geology experience after completing and passing the advanced study requirements specified in subsection (3) of this section. At least three years of engineering geology experience must be obtained under the supervision of Washington state-licensed engineering geologists or others who, in the opinion of the board, are qualified to have responsible charge of engineering geology projects. The following may be considered qualifying engineering geology experience:

(a) Engineering geology research or teaching at the university or college level, which, in the judgment of the board, is comparable to experience obtained in the practice of engineering geology; and

(b) Up to two years' credit for full-time graduate study in engineering geology or a curriculum containing equivalent academic content approved by the board; and

(5) You have passed the Washington state engineering geologist specialty examination or another examination acceptable to the board.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.220.040, 18.220.050, and 43.24.086. WSR 19-22-034, § 308-15-055, filed 10/31/19, effective 12/1/19. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.220.040, 18.220.050. WSR 05-01-174, § 308-15-055, filed 12/21/04, effective 1/21/05.]