



September 26 - 29, 2018

State Boards of Optometry Approvals

As of July 12, 2018

As of October 1, 2001 52 boards currently accept or require COPE approved courses.

IMPORTANT: Practitioners are advised to check directly with their own optometry board office to clarify any special conditions attached to the acceptance:

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| Alabama * | Illinois | Nebraska | South Carolina * |
| Alaska | Indiana | Nevada | South Dakota * |
| Arizona | Iowa | New Hampshire | Tennessee |
| Arkansas | Kansas * | New Jersey | Texas * |
| California | Kentucky * | New Mexico | Utah |
| Colorado | Louisiana * | New York | Vermont |
| Connecticut | Maine | North Carolina | Virgin Islands |
| Delaware | Maryland | North Dakota | Virginia |
| Dist. Of Columbia | Massachusetts | Ohio | Washington |
| Florida * | Michigan | Oregon | West Virginia |
| Georgia * | Minnesota | Pennsylvania | Wisconsin |
| Guam | Mississippi | Puerto Rico | Wyoming |
| Hawaii | Missouri | Rhode Island | |
| Idaho * | Montana | | Canada ** |
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* Please refer to separate listings for the following states that are exceptions to the above:

**** Please note: COPE approved courses are now accepted in Canada ****

- **Alabama Board of Optometry** – Approved. The board also accepts COPE approved courses.
- **Florida Board of Optometry** (please see separate listing)
- **Georgia State Board of Optometry** – Approved. The course approval number is GACE-OPT-180017.
- **State of Hawaii – Board of Examiners in Optometry** – Status is pending.

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- **Idaho Board of Optometrist** – Approved. *Please contact the Bureau at opt@ibol.idaho.gov to clarify any special conditions attached to acceptance.*
- **Kansas Board of Examiners in Optometry** – Approved. The Board accepts COPE approved courses. *Please contact the KS Board directly to clarify any special conditions attached to acceptance.*
- **Kentucky Board of Optometric Examiners** – Status is pending. *Please contact the KY board directly to clarify any special conditions attached to acceptance.*
- **Louisiana Board of Optometry** – The Board does not accept COPE approved courses. *Please contact the LA board directly.*
- **Oklahoma Board of Optometry** – Vision Expo is not an approved provider of CE. Vision Expo CE courses are not approved by the State Optometry Board of Oklahoma. *Please contact the OK Board directly to clarify.*
- **South Carolina Board of Optometry** – The Board does not automatically accept COPE courses. *Please contact the SC Board directly to clarify any special conditions attached to acceptance.*
- **South Dakota Board of Examiners in Optometry** – Status is pending. *Please contact the SD Board directly to clarify any special conditions attached to acceptance.*
- **Texas Optometry Board** – Status is pending. *Please contact the TX Board directly to clarify any special conditions attached to acceptance. The Board's web address is www.tob.state.tx.us*

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