

# 7 STEPS TO A TEXAS APPRAISER LICENSE PROGRAM

## 1 Take the Required Courses at Champions Appraisal School® Appraiser Trainee Program (79 hrs)

Courses must be completed before submitting application for approval as an appraiser trainee to TALCB.

- 🔍 **Basic Appraisal Principles** (30 hrs AQE)
- 🔍 **Basic Appraisal Procedures** (30 hrs AQE)
- 🔍 **15-Hour National USPAP Course — Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice** (15 hrs AQE)  
This course must be completed within 24 months of filing your TALCB application. Students must pass with a 74%; re-takes are allowed and can be taken at any campus.
- 🔍 **Texas Appraising for the Supervisor and Trainee** (4 hrs AQE)

It is recommended students purchase and bring an HP 17B or HP 12C calculator with them to class.

### Appraiser License Upgrades

If you are currently an appraiser trainee and want to upgrade your license, we offer the courses you'll need.

- 🔍 **Trainee to Licensed Residential Appraiser** — 154 hrs of AQE courses (79 hours + 75 additional hrs)
- 🔍 **Trainee to Certified Residential Appraiser** — 204 hrs of AQE courses (79 hours + 125 additional hrs)
- 🔍 **Trainee to Certified General Appraiser** — 304 hrs of AQE courses (79 hours + 225 additional hrs)

If you are currently a licensed residential appraiser or a certified residential appraiser, please visit the website to view the steps and hours needed to upgrade your license.

Courses can be completed during 1000 hour accrual experience.

## 2 Submit 79 Hours of Education and Appraiser Trainee Application to TALCB

- Submit all education hours and your appraisal trainee application to TALCB.
- Once you have completed the Appraiser Trainee Program's 79 hours, you must submit your education and Application for Approval to TALCB in the "My License" system on TALCB's website at [www.talcb.texas.gov](http://www.talcb.texas.gov).
- Select "Register HERE to set up a user ID and password" and follow the steps to create an account. Once you have created an account, you will apply for a new license. The application fee for an appraiser trainee license is \$250 (plus a \$5 online fee).
- An appraiser trainee applicant must have a sponsoring certified appraiser. The application must be completed and signed by the appraiser trainee applicant AND by each sponsoring certified appraiser.

## 3 Complete Your 1,000 Hours of Experience Over a Minimum of a 6-Month Period

The TALCB requires that you legally complete 1,000 hours of experience supported by written reports prior to receiving your license. This generally equates to 250–300 residential appraisals. You must be sponsored and supervised by a Certified Appraiser. **1500** hours over a minimum of a 12 month period are required to upgrade to a certified residential appraiser license and **3000** hours over a minimum of 18 months are required to upgrade to a certified general appraiser license. <https://www.talcb.texas.gov/potential-license-holder/appraiser-trainee>

## 4 Complete Your Qualifying Education

As you undertake your experience hours as an appraisal trainee, you will also complete the required qualifying education courses. To become a licensed residential appraiser, you'll enroll in **Champions School of Real Estate's 75-Hour Licensed Residential Appraiser Program** and complete the following courses: Market Analysis and Highest and Best Use, Residential Valuation: Site Valuation and Cost Approach, Residential Valuation: Sales Comparison Approach and Income Approach, and Residential Valuation: Report Writing and Case Studies.

See Appraiser License Upgrades on following page (41) for licensing options. If you are currently a licensed residential appraiser or a certified residential appraiser, please visit the website to view the steps and hours needed to upgrade your license. Courses can be completed during your 1000 hour accrual experience.

## 5 Submit Your Licensed Residential Appraiser Application to TALCB

Submit completed application, experience log, signed affidavit, and a \$405 application fee (\$400 + \$5 online fee) to TALCB. Note: You must be at least 18 years of age and a legal resident of Texas for at least 60 days before filing your application.

## 6 Take the Exam Prep Class | Your Key to Passing the State Exam.

Choose a date from the [ChampionsLive](#) Appraisal Prep schedule and complete the course to prepare for the state exam.

## 7 Take the State Exam at Pearson VUE

- Your state exam will consist of 125 multiple choice questions and you will have 4 hours to complete the exam.
- The cost of the exam is \$55, payable to Pearson VUE. Upon passing the exam, TALCB will charge an \$80 federal registration fee.
- You can make an appointment by calling 800-997-1248 or visiting [pearsonvue.com/tx/appraisers](http://pearsonvue.com/tx/appraisers).

**Congratulations!** A licensed residential appraiser is licensed by TALCB and has met the educational, experiential, and testing requirements for licensing. The scope of work includes appraisal of non-complex residential 1-4 unit properties with a transactional value less than \$1,000,000. Licensed residential appraisers also have the authority to complete complex federally-related transactions (FRTs) and non-FRT transactions with a value less than \$400,000.

# TEXAS APPRAISER QUALIFYING EDUCATION

## CHAMPIONS SCHOOL OF REAL ESTATE® WILL HELP YOU SUCCESSFULLY PREPARE FOR A CAREER IN THE APPRAISAL INDUSTRY

Our students receive the most quality education available and our comprehensive education is created and taught by award-winning instructors. We ensure that you will receive the most accurate and up-to-date information to help you become a Champion!



QUALIFYING EDUCATION (QE)		Hours	Delivery	Price*
<b>79-Hour Appraiser Supervisor Trainee Program</b> This program is the first step of your appraisal career. Upon finishing these courses, you can start your apprenticeship as an appraisal trainee, working under an experienced appraiser to gain hours of hands-on experience. Completing these courses doesn't get you a license yet; think of them as prerequisite courses for the licensing program. Once done, you'll kick off your apprenticeship. Later, while you're a trainee, you'll join the 75-Hour Licensed Residential Appraiser Program.		79		<b>\$1290</b> <b>\$950</b> <b>SAVE \$340</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2024-2025 15-Hour National USPAP Course (15 hrs)</li> <li>• Real Estate Appraisal: Principles (30 hrs)</li> <li>• Real Estate Appraisal: Practices and Procedures (30 hrs)</li> <li>• Texas Appraising for the Supervisor and Trainee (4 hrs)</li> </ul>				
<b>75-Hour Licensed Residential Appraiser Upgrade Program</b> This licensing program covers the essential coursework for those aiming to become licensed residential appraisers. These courses will prepare you for the National Licensed Residential Real Property exam, which you'll take upon finishing the program. Once you complete the coursework, pass the exam, and acquire the required 1,000 experience hours, you'll obtain a residential appraiser license, officially earning the title of a licensed residential appraiser.		+75 154 Total		<b>\$1110</b> <b>\$840</b> <b>SAVE \$270</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Market Analysis and Highest and Best Use (15 hrs)</li> <li>• Residential Valuation: Sales Comparison Approach and Income Approach (30 hrs)</li> <li>• Residential Valuation: Site Valuation and Cost Approach (15 hrs)</li> <li>• Residential Valuation: Report Writing and Case Studies (15 hrs)</li> </ul>				
QUALIFYING EDUCATION ONLINE PROGRAMS		Additional Hours	Delivery	Price*
<b>Certified Residential Appraiser Upgrade Program</b> In addition to the 79 course hours for the appraisal trainee license, 125 hours of qualifying education courses are required to become a certified residential appraiser. See website for courses required.		+125 204 Total		<b>\$1855</b> <b>\$1370</b> <b>SAVE \$485</b>
<b>Certified General Appraiser Upgrade Program</b> In addition to the 79 course hours for the appraisal trainee license, 225 hours of qualifying education courses are required to become a certified general appraiser. See website for courses required.		+225 304 Total		<b>\$3234</b> <b>\$2630</b> <b>SAVE \$604</b>
Course Delivery Options		CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE)		
 Virtual Classroom  Online Interactive  Online Correspondence Learn more about delivery methods at <a href="https://ChampionsSchool.com">ChampionsSchool.com</a>		Hours	Delivery	Price*
		<b>28-Hour CE Renewal Program</b> Renew your license every two years to maintain an active appraisal license. This 28-hour program has all the education you need to renew your Texas appraiser license		
		28		<b>\$658</b> <b>\$550</b> <b>SAVE \$108</b>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National USPAP Update Course (7 hrs)</li> <li>• An Appraiser as an Expert Witness (7 hrs, March 2024)</li> <li>• Residential Market Analysis (14 hrs)</li> </ul>		



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# TEXAS APPRAISER QUALIFYING EDUCATION

## WE OFFER EVERY COURSE YOU NEED TO BECOME A LICENSED RESIDENTIAL APPRAISER IN TEXAS

Prepare for a career in Texas real estate appraisal with a complete education program designed to help you succeed as an appraisal professional. Our courses will take you from learning basic principles of the business to having hands-on appraisal experience. We provide every course you will need in order to meet the Texas appraiser license requirements set forth by the Texas Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board (TALCB). To register for your class today, contact your local campus at 800-969-2599 and speak with a career counselor or visit us at [www.ChampionsSchool.com/appraisal/tx/](http://www.ChampionsSchool.com/appraisal/tx/).

## 15-HOUR CE PROGRAM UNIFORM STANDARDS OF PROFESSIONAL APPRAISAL PRACTICE

**\$315**

### CHAMPIONSLIVE



Jan 24 - 25	Wed/Thu
Mar 4 - 5	Mon/Tue
Apr 22 - 23	Mon/Tue
Jun 10 - 11	Mon/Tue
8:30 AM - 4:45 PM	

In this course, you will engage in real-life simulations that promote understanding of professional standards, the code of ethics, and your obligations under the law. You will receive the latest edition of the Uniform Standards

of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP) to keep for your use. Also included are copies of the Federal Financial Institutions Standards and the latest Appraisal Standards Board Advisory Opinions. This course must be completed within 24 months of filing your TALCB application.

## TEXAS APPRAISAL QUALIFYING EXAM PREP

**\$199**

**The essential preparation tool  
for the state exam!**

### CHAMPIONSLIVE



Jan 29 - 30	Mon/Tue
Feb 24 - 25	Sat/Sun
Mar 23 - 24	Sat/Sun
Apr 20 - 21	Sat/Sun
May 18 - 19	Sat/Sun
Jun 29 - 30	Sat/Sun
8:30 AM - 4:45 PM	

This course will prepare aspiring appraisers for the state exam. The material has over 150 questions to challenge the appraiser in preparation for the exam. No one should attempt the Texas appraisal exam without taking this course first.

### CHAMPIONSLIVE



Date	Days	Course	Hours	Course
Jan 15 - 18	Mon - Thu	Residential Valuation: Sales Comparison Approach and Income Approach	30	27852
Jan 19	Fri	Appraising for the Supervisor and Trainee	4	80975
Jan 22 - 23	Mon/Tue	Residential Valuation: Report Writing and Case Studies	15	27854
Jan 24 - 25	Wed/Thu	2024-2025 15-Hour National USPAP	15	27871
Jan 29 - 30	Mon/Tue	<b>Appraisal Exam Prep</b>		
Feb 5 - 6	Mon/Tue	Real Estate Appraisal: Principles	30	27856
Feb 12 - 15	Mon - Thu	Real Estate Appraisal: Practices and Procedures	30	27855
Feb 16	Fri	Appraising for the Supervisor and Trainee	4	80975
Feb 21 - 22	Wed/Thu	Market Analysis and Highest and Best Use	15	48107
Feb 26 - 29	Mon - Thu	Residential Valuation: Sales Comparison Approach and Income Approach	30	27852
Mar 4 - 5	Mon/Tue	2024-2025 15-Hour National USPAP	15	27871
Mar 6 - 7	Wed/Thu	Residential Valuation: Report Writing and Case Studies	15	27854
Mar 13 - 14	Wed/Thu	Residential Valuation: Site Valuation and Cost Approach	15	27853
Mar 15	Fri	Appraising for the Supervisor and Trainee	4	80975
Mar 20 - 21	Wed/Thu	Market Analysis and Highest and Best Use	15	48107
Mar 25 - 28	Mon - Thu	Real Estate Appraisal: Principles	30	27856
Mar 29 - 30	Fri/Sat	<b>Appraisal Exam Prep</b>		
Apr 1 - 4	Mon - Thu	Real Estate Appraisal: Practices and Procedures	30	27855
Apr 8 - 11	Mon - Thu	Residential Valuation: Sales Comparison Approach and Income Approach	30	27852
Apr 17 - 18	Wed/Thu	Market Analysis and Highest and Best Use	15	48107
Apr 19	Fri	Appraising for the Supervisor and Trainee	4	80975
Apr 22 - 23	Mon/Tue	2024-2025 15-Hour National USPAP	15	27871
Apr 24 - 25	Wed/Thu	Residential Valuation: Site Valuation and Cost Approach	15	27853
Apr 27 - 28	Sat/Sun	<b>Appraisal Exam Prep</b>		
Apr 29 - 30	Mon/Tue	Residential Valuation: Report Writing and Case Studies	15	27854
May 6 - 9	Mon - Thu	Real Estate Appraisal: Principles	30	27856
May 13 - 16	Mon - Thu	Real Estate Appraisal: Practices and Procedures	30	27855
May 17	Fri	Appraising for the Supervisor and Trainee	4	80975
May 18 - 19	Sat/Sun	<b>Appraisal Exam Prep</b>		
May 22 - 23	Wed/Thu	Market Analysis and Highest and Best Use	15	48107
May 28 - 31	Tue - Fri	Residential Valuation: Sales Comparison Approach and Income Approach	30	27852
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# APPRAISER Q&A

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### 79-Hour Trainee Program Courses

**2024-2025 15-Hour National USPAP** provides critical information regarding the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice. The course details ethical standards, explains how USPAP concepts apply to everyday situations, and drives home the importance of impartiality.

**Real Estate Appraisal: Principles** covers real property concepts and characteristics, legal considerations, value influences, real estate finance, appraisal ethics, and more. With theory, case studies, and examples, this is an essential first step toward mastery of basic appraisal principles.

**Real Estate Appraisal: Practices and Procedures** expands upon basic appraisal principles and covers appraisal development processes, property data analysis, building processes and construction terminology, the reconciliation process, and an overview of Fannie Mae forms.

**Appraising for the Supervisor and Trainee** covers many topics, from national appraisal regulatory bodies to the roles and duties of trainees and supervisory appraisers. With a comprehensive overview of appraisal ethics and best practices, this course is replete with crucial concepts.

### 75-Hour Licensed Residential Appraiser Upgrade Program

**Market Analysis and Highest and Best Use** delves into market fundamentals, including supply and demand analyses. This comprehensive study encompasses the application of market analysis in evaluating the four tests of highest and best use, also known as test constraints.

**Residential Valuation: Site Valuation and Cost Approach** covers a broad variety of concepts that build upon basic knowledge, including site analysis and land valuation methods, valuation of improvements, developing the cost approach, estimating depreciation, and reconciling final costs.

**Residential Valuation: Sales Comparison Approach and Income Approach** encompasses a wide array of topics, including comparable sale selection, data analysis, market value and valuation principles, appraisal calculations, investment properties, and utilizing the "income approach."

**Residential Valuation: Report Writing and Case Studies** provides aspiring appraisers with a comprehensive overview of the report-writing process, an essential skill for anyone in the profession. This course covers USPAP compliance, report requirements, addenda and other forms, and more.

**Appraisal Exam Prep** streamlines the studying process for the National Licensed Residential Real Property exam, covering all essential material and providing online mock exams to aid in preparation. Your enrollment grants a year of free retakes, allowing you to retake the course until you feel fully prepared.

## TEXAS APPRAISER CONTINUING EDUCATION

### RENEW YOUR LICENSE EVERY TWO YEARS TO MAINTAIN AN ACTIVE APPRAISAL LICENSE

#### CHAMPIONSLIVE

Feb 19 - 22 Mon - Thu

Mar 18 - 21 Mon - Thu

8:30 AM – 4:45 PM

Continuing education is not just a requirement from the Texas Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board, it is your chance to connect with other industry professionals, learn what is happening in the industry, and see where the industry is headed.

#### 28-HOUR CE APPRAISAL PROGRAM

Day Delivery Price

7-Hour National USPAP Update Course	Mon		
7-Hour An Appraiser as an Expert Witness	Tue		\$550
14-Hour Residential Market Analysis	Wed/Thu		
7-Hour 2024–2025 National USPAP Update Course			\$235
3-Hour Best Practices for Completing Bifurcated & Hybrid Appraisals			\$79

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE)

ACE Hours Delivery Price

2024–2025 7-Hour National USPAP Update Course	47870	7		\$235
The FHA Handbook 4000.1	34010	7		\$135
Residential Construction and the Appraiser	36109	7		\$135
Residential Property Inspection for Appraisers	37025	7		\$135
Appraisal of REO and Foreclosure Properties	38039	7		\$135
Residential Report Writing: More Than Forms	38294	7		\$135
Green Building Concepts for Appraisers	41255	7		\$135
The Cost Approach	34338	7		\$135
Valuation of Residential Green Buildings	41246	4		\$105
Fair Housing, Bias, and Discrimination	43157	4		\$105
Supervisor — Trainee Course for Texas	27783	4		\$105
Best Practices for Completing Bifurcated and Hybrid Appraisals	40544	3		\$79