

21 NCAC 65 .0302 MINIMUM LEVEL OF EDUCATION AND COMPETENCY FOR LICENSED RECREATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANTS

(a) For the purposes of G.S. 90C-27(b), an academic major is defined as an Associate of Applied Science Degree in therapeutic recreation or recreational therapy from a community college by an accrediting agency approved by the United States Department of Education.

(b) Coursework for an Associate degree shall reflect the following:

- (1) Nine semester hours in therapeutic recreation or recreational therapy content. courses;
- (2) Ten semester hours in therapeutic recreation or recreational therapy intervention courses;
- (3) Fifteen semester hours of supportive coursework, including:
 - (A) A minimum of five semester hours of anatomy and physiology;
 - (B) Three semester hours of abnormal psychology;
 - (C) Three semester hours of growth and development across life span; and
 - (D) The remaining four semester hours in any combination of supportive coursework shall be in the areas of psychology, sociology, physical and biological science, human services or physical education;
- (4) A course with a 380 hour field placement experience in a clinical, residential, or community-based agency under the supervision of a Licensed Recreational Therapist or Licensed Recreational Therapy Assistant approved by the university supervisor. The field placement shall be 12 consecutive weeks with each week including 20 hours. Supervisors of field placements in North Carolina shall be licensed by NCBRTL. Successful performance in a field placement course shall be demonstrated to the NCBRTL. "Successful performance" in a field placement course is defined as a grade of D or pass awarded by the university field placement supervisor and an Overall Rating of "Achieves Performance Expectations" awarded by the agency supervisor on the performance appraisal form (CPASRF) provided by the NCBRTL, available on the Board's website, www.ncbrtl.org or by contacting the Board.

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