

## CERTIFIED LOUISIANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPER REQUIREMENTS

### Experience

- Practitioner Track: Four years of experience as an economic development professional in Louisiana or elsewhere or service on the board of directors of a Louisiana economic development group;
- Volunteer Track: No experience required.

### Education

- Completion of the Louisiana Basic Economic Development Course (BEDC) or another International Economic Development Council (IEDC)-sanctioned BEDC;
- In addition to completing the basic course, successful completion of five additional Louisiana economic development courses are required. The five courses must include two elective courses and all of the following core courses:
  - Marketing & Business Attraction
  - Business Retention & Expansion
  - Real Estate Development & Reuse

### Other Requirements

- An oral and written examination is conducted after completion of the required and elective courses.

### Term of Certification

- Certified Louisiana Economic Developers will maintain their status for three years from the date of award.

### Recertification

- Certified Louisiana Economic Developers are eligible for recertification at the end of each three-year certification period upon submitting proof to the certification board that they met the following requirements:
  - Completion of three additional Louisiana economic development elective courses or equivalent offered by CDI or IEDC
  - Continued participation in statewide, regional, and national economic development organizations.

NOTE: APPLICANTS MUST ATTEST TO THE ACCURACY OF THE STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE CERTIFICATION BOARD.

LSU Executive Education is pleased to present the Economic Development Certification Program in conjunction with Louisiana Economic Development and the Louisiana Industrial Development Executives Association.



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