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## State Boards of Optometry Approvals

As of January 17, 2019

**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:

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		<b>Canada **</b>

\* 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** – Status is pending
- **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](mailto: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** – The Kentucky Board of Optometric Examiners will only accept the courses being sponsored by SUNY (State University of New York, College of Optometry) for license renewal. *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](http://www.tob.state.tx.us)*

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