

**STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY of OHIO**  
**POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL**

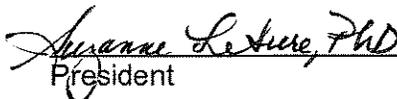
**SECTION 2: LICENSING**

**POLICY 2.1: APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW OF NON-PSYCHOLOGY DOCTORAL DEGREES AS "EQUIVALENT"**

**PRIOR DATE EFFECTIVE: JUNE 9, 2003**

**AMENDED AND EFFECTIVE: JANUARY 18, 2013**

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED**

 4/17/13  
President Date

 1/22/13  
Executive Director Date

**REFERENCES:** OAC 4732-9-01; Board meeting minutes January 18, 2013

**POLICIES AND STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES**

- 1) The process whereby an applicant could be eligible for psychologist licensure via a "degree deemed equivalent to a doctoral degree in psychology" was phased out with notice to the public over several years and was eliminated effective 2010. Persons with doctoral degrees in a field other than psychology or school psychology remain eligible for an equivalent degree review by the Board Entrance Examiner, relative to the indicia of equivalence in Board rules, if the initial application was made, including evidence of an earned doctoral degree, by May 1, 2010.
- 2) The specific coursework requirements used by the Entrance Examiner in rendering judgments about the degree are found in OAC 4732-9-01 (A)(2).