

## **Policy on Use of Doctoral Degree Program Hours Toward Fulfilling the Supervised Practice Hours Requirements for Master's Degree Level Psychologist Licensure**

A candidate for the master's degree level psychologist license who, subsequent to obtaining a qualifying master's degree, enters a doctoral degree program in psychology, as defined in Rules 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 2.6, may, with prior Board approval, apply the following hours toward fulfilling the post-degree supervised hours requirement for obtaining a master's degree level psychologist license:

- Practicum hours acquired during the third and fourth year of the doctoral degree program; and/or
- Internship hours acquired during the doctoral program

A licensee, who used practicum or internship hours acquired during a doctoral degree program to fulfill the supervised hours requirements for licensure as a master's degree level psychologist, is not eligible, under Rule 2.20, to obtain to a doctoral level license after subsequent completion of a doctoral degree without first completing 2000 post-doctoral degree hours of supervised practice in accordance with Rule 2.2(d) and Part 4 of the Rules.

Except as described herein, this policy does not affect the application of Rule 2.20 to master's degree level licensees.