

COMPLETE CHECKLIST

when Considering a Career in Real Estate

When considering a new (or additional) career in Real Estate, you probably feel like you “don’t know what you don’t know”! The process of getting your license is really pretty straightforward. You’ll need to...

- Determine if you meet requirements:** at least 18 years old, high school diploma or equivalent, a valid Social Security Number, and no felony record. Nothing else is required!
- Think about whether you’ll start **part-time** or **full-time** (most people start part-time).
- Decide whether to take the course **online, in-classroom, or both (using our Flex Option)** - whichever fits your learning style and schedule availability.
- Choose a school** - see the handy **comparison chart** at the end of this document!
- Take the **75-hour Pre-license Broker Course**.
- Once your course completion has been reported, take and pass the **Illinois Real Estate Exam**.
- Upon passing the test, **find a Sponsoring Broker** (CRES makes this easy!)
- START SELLING!**

Trying to choose which school to attend can be overwhelming, and it’s an important decision. The comparison chart below will help - just print this page, keep it next to you, and as you’re looking at other schools, fill in the blanks.

	Chicago Real Estate School {CRES}	School B	School C
choice of class times	morning, evenings, or Saturdays		
online or in-classroom	both are available		
on-demand video presentations	35 hrs of top-quality instruction, available 24/7		
high pass rate on state exam	over 90% of students pass on first try		
payment plan	available, fee is only \$20 (no interest charge)		
reviews / testimonials	Google "Chicago Real Estate School Reviews"		
informational, easy-to-use website	comprehensive information on every topic		
phone support on weekends	9-5 on Sat, 9-3 on Sun		
LiveChat support	early AM to late evening, 7 days/wk		
updated textbook	custom-written, completely revised in Aug 2020		
licensed by the State of Illinois	yes, since 2008		
BBB rating	A+ rating		
extra / hidden charges	none: textbook, flexible rescheduling at no cost		
job placement	guaranteed upon passing the state test		
able to work at any agency	independent school, so choice is yours		
helpful throughout process, start to finish	this checklist is an example of that!		

