

## Geologist-In-Training Certification in the United States, 2019

Geologist-In-Training (GIT) certification is formal recognition that a person has passed the ASBOG® Fundamentals of Geology (FG) examination and also met specific education requirements. GIT certification is required in some states and optional in others; and it demonstrates a level of technical competence to potential employers. The GIT certification is one step along the pathway towards professional geologist licensure during the time when the individual is gaining the required amount of work experience under the supervision of a Professional Geologist and preparing for the ASBOG® Practice of Geology (PG) examination.

A person seeking to use a GIT title should refer to their state’s licensing board website for references to the state-specific criteria, rules and regulations. Some states issue a GIT number or certificate after the state-specific criteria are met. In other states, the GIT title is approved for use after the state-specific criteria are met, but no GIT number or certificate is given.

Not all states with a pathway to licensure for professional geologists or geoscientists offer a GIT certificate. For candidates in these states, it is common to see on a work resume

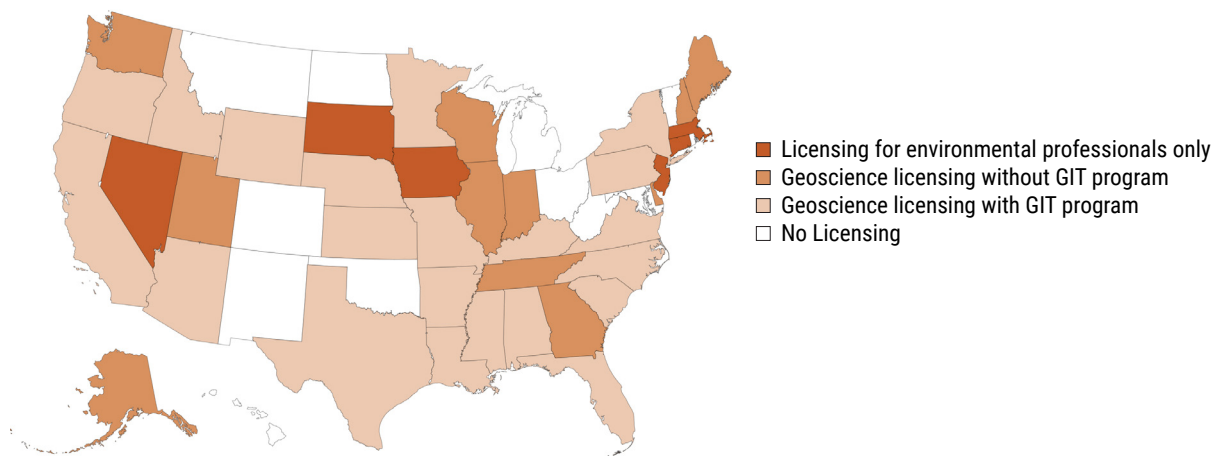
“FG examination – passed” accompanied with “eligible for licensure pending additional work experience” if additional professional experience is needed to qualify to take the PG examination. If all education and work experience are met but the PG examination has not been taken, “eligible for licensure” will be stated. Additionally, in states that do not offer a GIT certificate, some geoscientists elect to use GIT as an informal title if the state-specific criteria for higher education and/or work experience requirements have been met and the candidate has passed the FG examination.

### Other GIT Facts

Kansas, Nebraska, and New York use the title “Intern Geologist” or “Geologist Intern” as their Geologist-In-Training title equivalent.

Michigan does not offer licensing for Professional Geologists or a GIT program, but the FG is exam is offered by Central Michigan University.

### Licensing of Geologists, GIT, and Environmental Professionals



## States with licensure programs as of October 2019

State	License Type	Licensing Board Website
Alabama	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.algeobd.alabama.gov">www.algeobd.alabama.gov</a>
Alaska	PG licensure without GIT Program	<a href="http://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/ProfessionalGeologists.aspx">www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/ProfessionalGeologists.aspx</a>
Arizona	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://btr.az.gov">btr.az.gov</a>
Arkansas	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.arpgboard.org">www.arpgboard.org</a>
California	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.bpelsg.ca.gov">www.bpelsg.ca.gov</a>
Connecticut	No PG or GIT Program environmental professional license only	<a href="http://www.ct.gov/deep/lepboard">www.ct.gov/deep/lepboard</a>
Delaware	PG licensure without GIT Program	<a href="http://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/geology">dpr.delaware.gov/boards/geology</a>
Florida	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.myfloridalicense.com/DBPR/geologists">www.myfloridalicense.com/DBPR/geologists</a>
Georgia	PG licensure without GIT Program	<a href="http://sos.ga.gov/index.php/licensing/plb/26">sos.ga.gov/index.php/licensing/plb/26</a>
Idaho	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://ibol.idaho.gov/IBOL">ibol.idaho.gov/IBOL</a>
Illinois	PG licensure without GIT Program	<a href="http://www.idfpr.com/profs/Geology.asp">www.idfpr.com/profs/Geology.asp</a>
Indiana	PG licensure without GIT Program	<a href="http://igws.indiana.edu/LPG">igws.indiana.edu/LPG</a>
Iowa	No PG or GIT Program environmental professional license only	<a href="http://www.iowadnr.gov/Environmental-Protection/Land-Quality/Underground-Storage-Tanks/Groundwater-Professionals">www.iowadnr.gov/Environmental-Protection/Land-Quality/Underground-Storage-Tanks/Groundwater-Professionals</a>
Kansas	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.ksbtp.ks.gov/professions/geologists">www.ksbtp.ks.gov/professions/geologists</a>
Kentucky	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://bpg.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx">bpg.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx</a>
Louisiana	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.lbopg.org">www.lbopg.org</a>
Maine	PG licensure without GIT Program	<a href="http://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/geologists/index.html">www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/geologists/index.html</a>
Massachusetts	No PG or GIT Program environmental professional license only	<a href="http://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-hazardous-waste-site-cleanup-professionals">www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-hazardous-waste-site-cleanup-professionals</a>
Michigan	No PG Licensure, FG exam administered by Central Michigan University	<a href="http://www.cmich.edu/colleges/se/earth_atmos/ASBOGExam/Pages/default.aspx">www.cmich.edu/colleges/se/earth_atmos/ASBOGExam/Pages/default.aspx</a>
Minnesota	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.mn.gov/aelslagid/geology.html">www.mn.gov/aelslagid/geology.html</a>
Mississippi	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.msbrpg.ms.gov/Pages/default.aspx">www.msbrpg.ms.gov/Pages/default.aspx</a>
Missouri	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.pr.mo.gov/geologists.asp">www.pr.mo.gov/geologists.asp</a>
Nebraska	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://nebog.nebraska.gov">nebog.nebraska.gov</a>
Nevada	No PG or GIT Program environmental professional license only	<a href="http://ndep.nv.gov/environmental-cleanup/certification/certified-environmental-manager">ndep.nv.gov/environmental-cleanup/certification/certified-environmental-manager</a>
New Hampshire	PG licensure without GIT Program	<a href="http://www.oplc.nh.gov/geologists">www.oplc.nh.gov/geologists</a>
New Jersey	No PG or GIT Program environmental professional license only	<a href="http://www.nj.gov/lsrpboard">www.nj.gov/lsrpboard</a>
New York	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/geo">www.op.nysed.gov/prof/geo</a>
North Carolina	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.ncblg.org">www.ncblg.org</a>
Oregon	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.oregon.gov/osbge/Pages/default.aspx">www.oregon.gov/osbge/Pages/default.aspx</a>
Pennsylvania	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.dos.pa.gov/eng">www.dos.pa.gov/eng</a>
Puerto Rico	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://estado.pr.gov/en/geologists">estado.pr.gov/en/geologists</a>
South Carolina	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.llr.sc.gov/geo">www.llr.sc.gov/geo</a>
South Dakota	No PG or GIT Program environmental professional license only	<a href="http://dlr.sd.gov/btp">dlr.sd.gov/btp</a>
Tennessee	PG licensure without GIT Program	<a href="http://www.tn.gov/commerce/regboards/geologists.html">www.tn.gov/commerce/regboards/geologists.html</a>
Texas	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://tbp.state.tx.us">tbp.state.tx.us</a>
Utah	PG licensure without GIT Program	<a href="http://dopl.utah.gov/geo">dopl.utah.gov/geo</a>
Virginia	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://www.dpor.virginia.gov/Boards/SSWPG">www.dpor.virginia.gov/Boards/SSWPG</a>
Washington	PG licensure without GIT Program	<a href="http://www.dol.wa.gov/business/geologist">www.dol.wa.gov/business/geologist</a>
Wisconsin	PG licensure without GIT Program	<a href="http://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/BoardsCouncils/GHSS/Default.aspx">dsps.wi.gov/Pages/BoardsCouncils/GHSS/Default.aspx</a>
Wyoming	PG Licensure with GIT Program	<a href="http://wbp.wyo.gov">wbp.wyo.gov</a>