

## Competency Models:

1. Current Bar Examination:
  - a. Uniform Bar Examination (scores ranging from 260 to 280) – 41 jurisdictions (including MI as of July 2022 or February 2023)
  - b. Alternative Examination: CA, DE, FL, GA, HI, LA, MI (currently), MS, NV, SD, VA, WI, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, and Puerto Rico (most jurisdictions administer components of UBE)
  - c. Wisconsin requires exam for those who did not attend school in WI:
    - i. Total number of 2020 examinees: 216 (84 February and 132 July)<sup>1</sup>  
Passage rates: February: 45%; July 69%
2. NextGen: Bar Examination of the Future: <https://nextgenbarexam.ncbex.org/>
  - a. Anticipated 2026
  - b. Content: Foundational Concepts and Principles and Foundational Skills
    - i. Subjects being tested: Civil Procedure, Contract Law, Evidence, Torts, Business Associations (including Agency), Constitutional Law, Criminal Law and Constitutional Protections, Real Property
    - ii. Subjects being eliminated: Family Law, Secured Transactions, Trusts and Estates
    - iii. Skills to be tested: Legal Research, Legal Writing, Issue Spotting and Analysis, Investigation and Evaluation, Client Counseling and Advising, Negotiation and Dispute Resolution, and Client Relationship Management
  - c. Assess Knowledge and Skills Holistically
  - d. Computer-based
  - e. Single Combined Score
  - f. Single event, summative at or near point of licensure
  - g. Offered twice per year
3. Honors Programs
  - a. Daniel Webster Scholars Program
4. “Diploma Privilege” – WI version
  - a. Wisconsin model; allows graduates of in-state law schools to practice in Wisconsin without sitting for the examination
  - b. 299 admitted in 2020; 327 admitted in 2019; 351 admitted in 2018
  - c. Does not apply to graduates from other jurisdiction
5. “Diploma Privilege” – Emergency versions – 2020
  - a. Any ABA graduate who had applied (WA)
  - b. Any ABA graduate who had applied from a school with an 86% pass rate or higher (Utah)
6. Experiential Program Prior to Graduation – this is being explored elsewhere

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.wicourts.gov/courts/offices/docs/bbe20.pdf>

7. Supervised Practice Post Graduation leading to licensure – this is being explored elsewhere
8. Limited Supervised Practice – not leading to full licensure – currently this is permitted in Minnesota under Rule 12 in the practice area outlined in Rule 12 of the Supervised Practice Rules; JD one of the pathways to qualification
9. Admission on Motion:
  - a. Minnesota
    - i. 7A: 3 of 5 years of practice in another jurisdiction
    - ii. 7B: MBE – 145 or higher plus admission in the jurisdiction where individual sat for the examination
    - iii. 7C: UBE – 260 or higher
  - b. Minnesota one of 29 jurisdictions that does not preclude admission based on years of practice if initially admitted by “diploma privilege”  
<https://reports.ncbex.org/comp-guide/charts/chart-13/>
10. Other?