

- What type of OASBO membership do I need to participate in the pathway program?
 - If you are unsure, please reach out to <u>mary@oasbo-ohio.org</u> prior to processing a membership. \$0 Student membership is available to any pathway participant who does not currently work in the business or finance office of a public school district.
 - If you currently work in the business or finance office of a school district, you qualify for **Associate Membership**.
- Should I mail in my application or send it digitally?
 - You can submit your application digitally or via mail! The OASBO office is located at 98 Commerce Park Drive, Westerville, OH 43082. You can submit your application digitally to <u>pathway@oasbo-ohio.org</u>.

Prior to joining the program:

- 1. Achieved at least senior status at an accredited undergraduate university with an anticipated graduation date within 12 months of program application.
- 2. Achieved or demonstrated ability to achieve appropriate degree and/or accounting hours necessary for licensure within 12 months of program application.
- 3. Enrolled or documented plans to enroll in <u>School Law and School Finance</u> within 12 months of program application.
- 4. Agreement to complete OASBO's required Essentials Courses within 18 months of program application.
- Can OASBO tell me if I've met the requirements for college credit?
 - OASBO is not able to determine whether your coursework meets the education requirements for licensure. While our pathway serves as an alternative to the 300-hour internship pathway, the education prerequisites remain consistent across all pathways.
 - The authority to make determinations about the education requirements rests solely with the Ohio State Board of Education. We recommend contacting their licensure office at Educator.Licensure@SBOE.ohio.gov to review your transcripts and clarify which courses you may still need to complete. They can provide the specific guidance you need based on your prior coursework and the established licensure requirements.

• Which OASBO Essentials courses must be taken in person vs virtually?

- Essentials of Budgeting and Forecasting and Essentials of School Funding and Finance must be taken in person.
- Please note: while we recommend taking the courses in the order they are offered, they can be taken in any order.
- The following courses can be taken virtually at your own pace, or in-person:
 - Essentials of Financial Management & Administration (two-day course)
 - Essential of Human Resources (two-day course)
 - <u>Essentials of Business Operations</u> (two-day course)
 - o <u>Essentials of Leadership</u> (one-day course)

• Can I present my capstone project prior to completing the OASBO Essentials courses?

 No, you must complete the Oasbo Essentials courses prior to presenting your capstone.

Who do I contact about receiving college credit for OASBO Essentials courses through Ashland University?

- You can contact Courtney Kessler at ckessler@ashland.edu
- Please note: if you are receiving college credit for the Essentials Courses, that credit cannot apply to the finance and accounting hours needed as pre-requisites to the pathway program.

• I've held a treasurers license previously, is the OASBO pathway an option for renewal?

 Those who hold or have previously held a Treasurer's license are not eligible for this program.

What is the capstone presentation?

• The capstone project is a 5-year forecast presentation! Details are provided in collaborate.

When are capstone presentations offered?

• We offer presentation opportunities throughout the year! Sign-up sheets are posted in the collaborate community as they become available.

• Can I present my capstone project virtually?

• This presentation is in-person only, there is no virtual option at this time.

• Where can I take school law and school finance?

• Click here to see a list of universities that offer these courses!

• Should I submit anything to CPIM at this time?

• If you do not currently hold a treasurer's license, or a sitting treasurer, you do not need to submit for CPIM credits.

• When would I begin the mentoring program?

• Participants complete the mentoring program once they are hired as a school treasurer, whether that is right away or some time after getting licensed.