**Section 2741.20 Applicant Eligibility**

A qualified applicant shall be:

a) a United States citizen or eligible noncitizen;

b) a resident of Illinois; and

c) enrolled, or accepted for enrollment, on a full-time basis in a public or private college of optometry located in Illinois that awards a doctorate degree in optometry and is approved by the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation (see 68 Ill. Adm. Code 1320).