

All Things MPRE

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The Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE) is a prerequisite for admission to the bar in every U.S. jurisdiction (except Wisconsin and Puerto Rico). It is the same exam regardless of where you plan to take the bar; each state, however, has a different [passing score](#). It is pass/fail.

The MPRE is offered three times a year: in November, March, and August. It is a two hour, 60 multiple-choice exam done on a computer at a testing center.

1. When Do I Take the MPRE?

Most of us took it right before or early 3L. If you don't want to study for and take it during school, sign up to take it in August before 3L. Register early. Create an account [here](#) and sign up as soon as possible or you will have fewer options for testing locations.

2. How Do I Study for It?

There are a couple different **free** courses through bar prep companies. Below are ones ILS members have used, generally they have the same structure and combination of practice questions and lectures:

3. Do I Need to Take Professional Responsibility/Legal Ethics Before the MPRE?

It's not necessary by any means. It may make things slightly easier, as some professors discuss MPRE problems in class, but we don't recommend delaying the MPRE just to take the class. The aforementioned prep courses mentioned teach you everything you need to know.

4. Can I Take the MPRE After Graduating?

Yes, but consider your schedule with the bar exam and admission to the bar for jobs. You don't want to be in a position of pending MPRE score, the reason for delayed admission to the bar. We recommend taking it before graduation to get it out of the way, so you can focus on the bar.

The MPRE is a straightforward, learnable exam. Don't neglect it, but don't overthink it either. Put in the recommended time and do the practice questions, and it will work out inshaAllah.

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The questions are harder than the MPRE.	Around the same level of difficulty as the MPRE.	Around the same level of difficulty as the MPRE.
Recommend 2 weeks of study	Recommend 10-14 days of study	Recommend 2 weeks of study
A week prior to starting studying, sign up for the course and receive a hardcopy of all their MPRE module outlines (free). Includes 1 practice test, 1 simulated exam.	Includes 2 practice exams, plus possible access to PDFs containing over 153 multiple-choice questions from past administrations of the MPRE (this however for \$49)	Includes 3 practice exams, flashcards, and terminology list.