

Major Candidacy Due Dates for New Applications

(see Timetables for all due dates: <https://www.cswe.org/Accreditation/Accreditation-Process>)

Candidacy Eligibility Application	Draft Benchmark I (BMI) to CSWE	Approval of Draft Benchmark I (BMI) by CSWE and Assignment to Agenda	Commissioner Site Visit Dates (3 are scheduled)	COA Review
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