Counseling: Clinical Mental Health Counseling Professional Licensure by State Information Sheet

University of Vermont College of Education and Social Services Department: Counseling: Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Department Website: Licensure Program:

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Please note: State requirements are updated periodically. Please refer to the state websites for more information.

Also note:

- 1. Most states also have additional requirements (e.g., criminal background check, references, character attestation, substance use disclosure, citizenship/immigration status, English language proficiency, etc.) which must also be met by the license applicant. Only educational and licensing exam requirements for initial license are included in this chart.
- 2. <u>All states</u> require additional post-degree supervised practice hours (typically about 2000 -3000 hours over about 2 years) for full licensure, and some have additional post-degree educational requirements as well. These are not included in this chart since they are not required for *initial licensure applications*.
- 3. All state licensing boards make final determination regarding acceptance of an applicant's educational program of study vis a vis their specific state licensure requirements. The licensure qualification determinations listed in this chart (3rd column) represent a best estimate based on state information outlined in licensure information publicly available and current UVM Counseling Program curriculum. In some cases, license applicants will need to submit graduate course syllabi to verify that course content is consistent with state requirements.
- 4. State licensure requirements may change at any time. The information in this chart is based on a review of state licensing websites available at this time. Licensure applicants should consult directly with state licensing boards for the most up-to-date and accurate determination of licensure eligibility.

UVM Program Completion Requirements Meet/Do Not Meet Requirements by US State and Territory

State	Link to State Licensure Site	Meets/	Comments
		Does Not Meet	
AK	https://www.commerce.alaska. gov/web/cbpl/Professional	Meets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	Licensing /ProfessionalCounselors.aspx		 Educational Requirements: An earned master's degree in counseling or a related professional field, from a regionally or nationally accredited institution of higher education approved by the board, and at least 60 graduate semester hours in counseling during or after earning the master's degree At least 8 of the CACREP core areas (if not a CACREP accredited program)
			Examination Requirements: NCE or NCMHCE (or equivalent national exam).
AL	http://abec.alabama.gov/	Does Not Meet	ALPC (Provisional/Initial License -Assoc LPC)
		,	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	https://abec.alabama.gov	(See bolded	
	/wp-content/uploads/2022/07	items in	Educational Requirements:
	/abec-academic-requirements-	Educational	 60 Cr Hr Master's degree
	072222-cacrep.pdf	Requirements)	

AR	www.state.ar.us/abec	The UVM Counseling Program provides triadic supervision for Practicum students (CACREP considers this equivalent to individual supervision). The Internship individual supervision that occurs in the UVM Counseling Program is conducted by the site supervisor, not the Program faculty.	 As of Jan 1, 2024-must be a CACREP or CORE accredited program Course content in CACREP core areas Practicum: A minimum of forty (40) clock hours must be direct service work with clients. At least 80% of the direct service must be in counseling sessions with clients. Assessment activities with clients may not account for more than 20% of the direct services. A minimum of one (1) clock hour per week must be of individual supervision by program faculty, and a minimum of one and one-half (1½) clock hours per week must be group supervision. Internship: At least 80% of the direct service, assessment may not account for more than 20% of the direct services. A minimum of one (1) clock hour per week must be of individual supervision by program faculty, and a minimum of one and one-half (1 1/2) clock hours per week must be group supervision. Examination Requirements: NCE LAC (Provisional/Initial License: Lic Assoc
	https://abec.statesolutions.us Links above don't work Arkansas State Board of Examiners in Counseling - Arkansas Department of Health	(An additional class would be required -see bolded item in Educational Requirements column.)	Educational Requirements: Graduate degree that is primarily professional counseling in content from a regionally accredited institution. The graduate semester hours must meet or exceed the national academic and training content standards adopted by CACREP. All graduate course hours used in the application for any license issued by the Arkansas Board must have a "B-" grade or above. CACREP Core Curriculum and CACREP fieldwork requirements (9 Graduate Credit Hour Minimum in 3 Graduate Courses over a minimum of 6 months) Additional Coursework required: Technology Assisted Counseling, (1 Graduate Cr Hr Minimum) Examination Requirements:

			 NCE or NCMHCE Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling Jurisprudence Exam All individuals applying for licensure may be required to complete an oral interview prior to being granted a license. (The oral interview may include a review of the applicant's Statement of Intent, questions from the Board relative to the profession of counseling/therapy, and questions about credentials submitted with the application.)
AZ	https://www.azbbhe.us/node/837	Meets	LAC (Provisional/Initial License: Lic Assoc Counselor) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: Master's or higher degree with a major emphasis in counseling with a minimum of 60 semester or 90 quarter credit hours. CACREP core areas Practicum/Internship: There is not a course requirement for the supervised counseling practicum, but the graduate program must include 700 clock hours in a professional counseling setting, of which 240 involve direct client contact. The practicum must provide an opportunity for the supervisee to perform all activities associated with employment as a professional counselor, have oversight by a faculty member, and onsite supervision by an individual approved by the college or university. Examination Requirements:
CA	https://www.bbs.ca.gov/pdf/form s/lpc/pcci app oos 01012016.pdf	Does Not Meet (Multiple additional requirements would be needed for licensure -see bolded items in Educational Requirements column)	NCE or NCMHCE APCC (Provisional/Initial License: Assoc. Prof Counselor) LPCC (Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors) Educational Requirements: Degree Program:

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			 13 core content areas" (three of these courses may be taken post-Masters): Psychopharmacology (3 cr hr): this course is no longer required within UVM Counseling Program for students starting Fall 2024. Crisis or trauma counseling (3 cr hr) (Note: this will be required of UVM Counseling students who start Fall 2025) Advanced counseling and psychotherapeutic theories and techniques (3 cr hr) California Law and Ethics course (12 hours) Additional advanced content required: 15 semester units of advanced coursework to develop knowledge of specific treatment issues or special populations. Content to include the following topics: Human Sexuality, Partner Abuse, Child Abuse Reporting within California, Aging/Long-term Care/Elder Abuse, Mental Health Recovery, California cultures, Telehealth, Suicide Risk Assessment —suicide risk assessment can be met through either coursework or applied experience (specific hour requirements for each topic are found in the provided link)
			Examination Requirements: California Law and Ethics exam
			NCMHCE
СО	https://dpo.colorado.gov/Professi onalCounselor	Meets	LPCC (Provisional/Initial License) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	Mental Health Credentials Chart.pdf		 Educational Requirements: Master's degree from CACREP approved program or equivalency CACREP core areas Field requirements: 700 hours of supervised professional practice as part of their graduate degree program. (In some cases, post-degree employment may be considered)
			Examination Requirements: ■ NCE or NCMHCE

			Colorado MH Jurisprudence exam
СТ	https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practiti oner-Licensing	Meets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	Investigations/Professional-		Educational Requirements:
	Counselor/Professional-Counselor-		Master's degree of a minimum of 60 cr hr
	Licensing-Requirements		with course content in CACREP core areas
			100 hours of practicum and 600 hours of
			internship
			Examination Requirements:
D.C.	Desfersional Commelianting times		NCE or NCMHCE ICRC (President Allies and Alli
DC	Professional Counseling Licensing	Meets	LGPC (Provisional/Initial License: Licensed Graduate Profess Couns)
	<u> doh</u>	ivieets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	Professional Counseling Initial		LFC (Licensed Froressional Counselor)
	License Application Package doh		Educational Requirements:
			60 Cr Hr degree from CACREP accredited
	Use above link instead of below		program (or its equivalent)
			Coursework in 10 areas matches UVM reqs
	http://hpla.doh.dc.gov/hpla		700 hours of practicum/internship
	https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/160		Examination Requirements:
	<u>252</u>		• NCE
DE	https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/	Meets	LACMH (Provisional/Initial License: Licensed
	profcounselors/		Associate Counselor of MH)
	https://doloodo.dolowaro.gov/title		Educational Poquiroments:
	https://delcode.delaware.gov/title 24/c030/sc02/index.html		Educational Requirements:Master's degree of a minimum of 60 cr hr
	24/ C030/3C02/IIIdex.Html		with course content in CACREP core areas
			Evamination Requirements
			Examination Requirements: ■ NCE
FL	https://floridasmentalhealthprofe	Does Not Meet	RMHCI (Provisional/Initial License: Registered
	ssions.gov/		Mental Health Counselor Intern)
		(See bolded	LMHC (Licensed Mental Health Counselor)
	RMHCI:	requirements in	
	https://floridasmentalhealthprofe	Educational	Educational Requirements:
	ssions.gov/licensing/registered-	Requirements	 Masters degree from a 60 cr hr program (July 1, 2025 degree must be from a CACREP
	mental-health-counselor-intern/	column.)	accredited program)
	LMHC:	Additional	Course content in CACREP core areas
	https://floridasmentalhealthprofe	course	Additional coursework:
	ssions.gov/licensing/licensed-	requirements	Minimum of 3 semester hours (or 4)
	mental-health-counselor/	would need to	quarter hours) of graduate-level
		be met.	coursework in each of the
			following:
			1) Human Sexuality
			2) Substance Abuse
			O Completed an 8-hour Florida laws
			and rules course from a board
			approved provider listed on <u>CE</u>
			<u>Broker</u> .

			 Completed a 3-hour HIV/AIDS course from a board approved provider listed on CE Broker or complete the HIV/AIDs Affidavit. Completed a 2-hour domestic violence course from a board approved provider listed on CE Broker within six months of licensure. Examination Requirements: NCMHCE
GA	https://www.counselingdegreegui de.org/licensure/georgia/ https://rules.sos.ga.gov/GAC/135- 502?urlRedirected=yes&data=admi n&lookingfor=135-502	Ooes Not Meet (See degree program practicum/inter nship supervisor requirements bolded in Educational Requirements column.) Note: the Practicum instructor and Internship site supervisor (or instructor) would need to be licensed and with 3 years of experience - which exceeds the Counseling Program requirements for Practicum and Internship.	APC (Provisional/Initial License: Associate Professional Counselor) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: • Masters degree with 60 cr hrs from CACREP accredited program (or its equivalent) • Graduate degree program field experience: "In a supervised practicum or internship which is part of the graduate degree program, either the course instructor of record or the on-site clinical instructor must be a qualified supervisor" (i.e., licensed and with experience as follows: 3 years experience if they have a master's degree, 2 years experience if they have a specialist degree, 1 year experience if they have a doctoral degree) Examination Requirements: • NCE or NCMHCE
НІ	http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/mental/	Meets Note: The Hawaii law indicates that a total of 300 hours of supervised client contact is required for Practicum/Inter	 MHC (Mental Health Counselor) Education Requirements: Completion of a graduate program that includes 48 semester hours of graduate level coursework in the CACREP core areas (3 cr hrs in each area) with Practicum/Internship of least two academic terms of supervised mental health practicum intern experience for graduate credit of at least six semester hours or ten quarter hours in a mental

IA	https://idph.iowa.gov/licensure/iowa-board-of-behavioral-science Delete above linkMental & Behavioral Health Licensure Department of Inspections, Appeals, & Licensing https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/iac/rule/06-15-2022.645.31.2.pdf	nship. It does not delineate between direct contact hours and indirect contact hours. The assumption here is that this law refers to total internship hours. If not, the applicant will need to take an additional internship semester since the UVM CP Practicum hours would not count as they do not meet the supervision requirements. Meets	health counseling setting, with a total of three hundred hours of supervised client contact. The practicum [internship] experience shall be completed under the clinical supervision of a person who is licensed as a mental health counselor, psychologist, clinical social worker, advanced practice registered nurse with a specialty in mental health, marriage and family therapist, or physician with a specialty in psychiatry Examination Requirements: NCE MHC (Licensed Mental Health Counselor) A temporary license is granted until postgraduation requirements are met. Educational Requirements: Master's degree of 60 semester hours (or a doctoral degree) in counseling with emphasis in mental health counseling from a CACREP accredited mental health counseling program or equivalent Examination Requirements:
ID	https://apps.dopl.idaho.gov/DOPL	Meets	NCE or NCMHCE LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	Portal/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=C OU [delete link]		CPCL (Clinical Professional Counselor License)
	https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rule		Educational Requirements:
	s/2001/24/1501.pdf		 Master's degree or higher, which includes an educational specialist degree, that is
	https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rule		primarily counseling in nature, from an accredited university or college offering a
	<u>s/current/24/241501.pdf</u>		graduate program in counseling, provided
			that the program is either approved by CACREP o or is similar and approved by the Board.
			Examination Requirements:

			NCE (and NCMHCE for CPCL)
IL	https://www.ilga.gov/commission	Meets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
IL	https://www.ilga.gov/commission /jcar/admincode/068/068013750 A00450R.html https://www.ilga.gov/commission /jcar/admincode/068/06801375se ctions.html	(Additional educational requirements may be needed -see Note below.) Note: There is a requirement for knowledge in the area of Illinois laws as noted in bolded area. The licensing Board states that "all master's degree and doctoral programs in professional counseling or rehabilitation counseling that are accredited by (CACREP)are approved programs." So, it is not clear if the Illinois-specific content area would be required of UVM CP graduates. However, the Board also states that "Individuals applying for	
		Board also states that "Individuals applying for licensure who are deficient in any of the content areas set forth in subsection	
		(a)(5) may complete any	

IN	https://www.in.gov/pla/ https://www.in.gov/pla/professio ns/behavioral-health-and-human- services/behavioral-health-and- human-services-licensing- information/#1Al	content area deficiencies in a graduate counseling, rehabilitation counseling, psychology, or similar degree program." So, if this particular content is required, an applicant could take the required course and be license eligible. Meets (Note the bolded requirement of -66 hours of face-to-face supervision [which will need documentation] - in Practicum/Internship in Educational Requirements)	LMHCA (Provisional/Initial License: Licensed Mental Health Counselor Associate) LMHC (Licensed Mental Health Counselor) Educational Requirements: ■ Masters (or doctorate) degree in an area of mental health counseling with curriculum requirements in CACREP core areas. However, pre-graduation requirements include one (1) supervised clinical practicum, internship, or field experience in a counseling setting, which must include a minimum of seven hundred (700) clock hours consisting of one (1) practicum of one hundred (100) hours and one (1) internship of six hundred (600) hours with at least sixty-six (66) hours of face to face supervision. Examination Requirement:
KS	https://www.ksbsrb.ks.gov/profes sions/professional-counselors https://www.ksbsrb.ks.gov/profes sions/professional- counselors/statutes-regulations Kansas Secretary of State - KAR Regulations	Meets Additional 15 graduate credits regarding diagnosis or treatment of mental health disorders required for LCPC licensure.)	 NCE LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) LCPC (Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: Master's degree of 60 semester hours (or a doctoral degree) that "is not below the accreditation standards of CACREP." Academic program includes CACREP core areas but "none of these credit hours shall be earned through independent study courses." Applicants for the LCPC additionally must have completed additional coursework which includes 15 graduate credit hours in

			diagnosis or treatment of mental health
			disorders.
			Examination Requirements:
			NCE for LPC (and NCMHCE for LCPC)
KY	http://lpc.ky.gov	Meets	LPCCA (Provisional/Initial License: Licensed
			Professional Counselor Associate)
	https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/		LPCC (Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor)
	provider/Pages/LPCC.aspx		Educational Bossinaments
			Educational Requirements:
			A master's, specialist, or doctoral degree in counseling or a related field from a
			regionally accredited institution with a
			minimum of sixty (60) graduate semester
			hours in the CACREP core areas with a
			minimum of 400 hours of
			Practicum/Internship. New regulations
			require degree from CACREP accredited
			Program.
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			Examination Requirements:
			NCE or NCMHCE
LA	www.lpcboard.org	Meets	PLPC (Provisional/Initial License: Provisional
	www.ipebodia.org	Wiccis	Licensed Professional Counselor)
	Rules, Standards and Procedures	(see bolded	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselors)
	LPC	item for	
	https://www.lpcboard.org/rules	Practicum	Educational Requirements:
		requirements in	60 semester hour graduate degree the
		Educational	substance of which is professional mental
		Requirements	health counseling from a regionally-
		column).	accredited university.
			Course content requirements:
		The UVM	 Counseling/Psychotherapy Theories
		Counseling	 Human Growth and Development
		Program offers	 Abnormal Behavior* [the content
		triadic	of the UVM Diagnosis and
		supervision in	Treatment class would probably
		the Practicum	meet this requirement]
		class which	 Techniques of
		CACREP	Counseling/Psychotherapy
		considers to be	o Group Dynamics, Processes, and
		an acceptable	Counseling/Psychotherapy
		alternative to	Lifestyle and Career Development
		individual	Appraisal Sthise (Bushesian al Orientation)
		supervision.	Ethics/Professional Orientation Profigure 100 km /40 of which are
			o Practicum: 100 hrs/40 of which are
			direct service, 1 hr per week of
			individual supervision by a
			counseling faculty member
			supervisor or supervisor working
			under the supervision of a program
			faculty member, 1 ½ min group supervision per week
			Supervision per week

			 Internship: 600 hrs/240 of which are direct service, 1 hr week individual supervision by faculty, student supervisor working under supervision of faculty, or site supervisor Examination Requirements:
			NCE or NCMHCE
MA	https://www.mass.gov/allied-mental-health-professions-licensing https://www.mass.gov/service-details/262-cmr-200-requirements-for-licensure-as-a-mental-health-counselor#2.02 https://www.mass.gov/doc/lmhc-application-guide-updated-71522/download	(see bolded items for Practicum requirements in Educational Requirements column). The UVM CP Practicum does not offer individual supervision (although CACREP deems triadic supervision to be comparable). The UVM CP Practicum supervisors may not be licensed mental health providers The UVM CP Internship supervisors are required to have 2 (not 3) years of experience.	Educational Requirements: Master's degree (or Doctoral degree) in Mental Health Counseling or a Related Field with a minimum of 60 semester cr hs from a Recognized Educational Institution. Curriculum in CACREP core areas. Eligible applicants must demonstrate the completion of a pre-Master's degree Practicum that includes Supervised Clinical Field Experience and Direct Client Contact Experience. The Practicum must take place over a minimum period of at least seven weeks on the academic campus or in a Clinical Field Experience Site. The Practicum must include: (a) 40 Contact Hours of Direct Client Contact Experience Sites conforming to the Mental Health Counseling scope of practice as defined under 262 CMR 2.02 or peer role plays and laboratory experience in individual, group, couple and family interactions; (b) 25 Supervisory Contact Hours of supervision; of which: 1. a minimum of ten Supervisory Contact Hours must be Group Supervision with no more than ten supervisees in a group; 3. the remaining ten Supervisory Contact Hours may be Individual or Group Supervision. Eligible applicants must demonstrate the completion of a pre-Master's degree Internship which includes Supervised Clinical Field Experience and Direct Client Contact Experience. Where the Internship is conducted in the intern's place of

employment, the Internship site must provide additional activities and supervision clearly delineated from the intern's usual work activities. The Internship must include:

- 240 Contact Hours of Direct Client Contact Experience in Clinical Field Experience Sites conforming to the Mental Health Counseling scope of practice defined under 262 CMR 2.02;
- o 45 Supervisory Contact Hours of supervision; of which: 1. a minimum of 15 Supervisory Contact Hours must be Individual Supervision; 2. a minimum of 15 Supervisory Contact Hours must be Group Supervision, with no more than ten supervisees in a group; 3. the remaining 15 Supervisory Contact Hours may be either Individual Supervision or Group Supervision.
- 2.08: Supervision by Licensed Mental Health Counselors: (2) For Supervision received after July 1, 2017, a minimum of 75 Supervisory Contact Hours of the 200 total Supervisory Contact Hours of supervision required (pre- or post-Master's degree) must be supervision by a Licensed Mental Health Counselor or an equivalently licensed mental health counselor from another state or jurisdiction.
- "An approved supervisor is a practitioner with three years of full-time or the equivalent part-time post-licensure clinical mental health counseling experience who is either a Massachusetts licensed mental health counselor, independent clinical social worker, marriage and family therapist, psychologist with a health services provider certification, physician with a sub-specialization in psychiatry, nurse practitioner with a sub-specialization in psychiatry or, where the practice and supervision occurred outside of Massachusetts, an individual who is an independently licensed mental health practitioner with a license or registration equivalent to one listed above."
- "If your experience occurred in another state, an approved supervisor must be licensed in that state and meet the same criteria above. For the specific purpose of

			college supervision (e.g., support seminars) of students in a practicum or internship, an approved supervisor may be a mental health practitioner who holds a teaching or supervisory position in an educational institution which trains mental health counselors and a graduate degree in mental health counseling or a related field, but site supervisors in a practicum or internship must meet one of the other definitions above." Examination Requirements:
MD	https://health.maryland.gov/bopc /Pages/index.aspx https://health.maryland.gov/bopc /Pages/gradprofessional.aspx	Meets	 NCMHCE LGPC (Provisional/Initial License: Licensed Graduate Professional Counselor) LCPC (Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: A master's (or doctoral) degree in counseling or closely related professional field with a minimum of 60 graduate semester credit hours. Coursework (UVM CP meets these requirements; one of the required areas is Psychotherapy and Treatment of Mental and Emotional Disorders. It is assumed that the Modalities for Children and Adolescents course would meet this requirement.) Examination Requirements: NCE
ME	https://www.maine.gov/pfr/profe ssionallicensing/professions/board -of-counseling-professionals- licensure/licensing	Meets	 Maryland Law Assessment Conditional LPC (Provisional/Initial counseling license) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) LCPC (Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: Master's (or doctoral) degree of 60 credit hours from a program that is CACREP accredited. Required coursework in CACREP core areas and CACREP Practicum and Internship requirements. Additional coursework of at least 9 credit hours in at least 2 of the following areas required for LCPC:

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			ConsultationCrisis InterventionAddictive Disorders
			 Treatment Modalities
			Examination Requirements:NCE (and NCMHCE required for LCPC)
MI	https://www.michigan.gov/- /media/Project/Websites/lara/bpl /Counseling/Licensing-Info-and- Forms/Counselor-Licensing-	Meets	LLPC (Provisional/Initial license: Limited Licensed Professional Counselor) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	Guide.pdf?rev=f5ea863e202941bc be928adf994c4c7f		 Educational Requirements: Master's (or doctoral) degree of no less than 60 credit hours from a program that meets CACREP standards (after July 1, 2023).
			Examination Requirements: ■ NCE or CRCC
MN	https://mn.gov/boards/behavioral -health/applicants/apply/apply- for-lpc.jsp	Meets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) LPCC (Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor)
			 Educational Requirements: A master's or doctoral degree program in counseling or a related field from a program that is CACREP accredited or a CHEA accredited educational institution. Coursework requirements are consistent with UVM CP
			Examination Requirements: ■ NCE or NCMHCE
MO	https://pr.mo.gov/counselors.asp https://pr.mo.gov/boards/counsel ors/lpcslidesgeneralwebsite.pdf	Meets	PLPC (Provisional/Initial license: Provisional Licensed Professional Counselor) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: A master's degree in counseling [or related field] and consist of 60 semester or equivalent quarter hours (for those starting after Aug 28, 2023). Curriculum in CACREP core areas. Practicum/Internship must be a minimum of 6 credits; minimum of 600 hours (240 direct service hours) Asynchronous learning cannot exceed 50% of coursework Examination Requirements: NCE and Missouri Jurisprudence examination
MS	https://www.lpc.ms.gov/wplpc/	Meets	P-LPC (Provisional/Initial license: Provisional Licensed Professional Couns)

			LPC (Licensed Professional Couns)
MT	https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/_docs/bbh/pclc-app-checklist.pdf https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/behavioral-health/license-information/licensed-clinical-professional-counselor-candidate https://rules.mt.gov/gateway/ShowRuleVersionFile.asp?RVID=27380	Meets (provided Internship can count as Advanced Practicum)	Educational Requirements: A 60 credit hr master's or doctoral degree program in counseling or a related field from a CACREP accredited program or that meets CACREP standards. Examination Requirements: Mississippi Jurisprudence Exam for the PLPC NCE or NCMHCE for the LPC LCPC Candidate (Provisional/Initial license: Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor Candidate) LCPC (Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: a graduate degree with a minimum of 60 semester hours from a CACREP- accredited college; or, if not an accredited program, an accredited program that contains the CACREP core competencies. Must include 6 semester credits of an Advanced Counseling Practicum which must include: 1) supervision by a licensed program faculty to include min 30 hrs of supervision/consultation with supervisor plus 45 hours of small group supervision/consultation; 2) min 80 hrs of direct service and 200 hours of service altogether. Plus 3000 hours (1500 must be post degree, but can also count within program hours towards additional) including 1000 direct contact service hours
			Examination Requirements: NCE or NCMHCE
NC		Meets	LCMHCA (Provisional/Initial license: Clinical
	https://www.ncblcmhc.org/		Mental Health Counselor Associate) LCMHC (Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor)
			Educational Requirements: • Master's degree (minimum of 60 semester hours or 90 quarter hours) in counseling or related field from an institution of higher education that is accredited by the Council

			for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs Must include minimum 1 semester (3 credits) of Practicum and 1 semester (3 credits) of Internship (as of 2025-this must be in a clinical mental health setting) and 17 hours of graduate counseling supervision. Examination Requirements: NCE or NCMHCE NC Jurisprudence Exam
ND	www.ndbce.org	Meets (Additional coursework may be required for LPCC.)	LAPC (Provisional/Initial license: Licensed Associate Professional Counselor) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) LPCC (Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor) Educational Requirements: • Masters degree in a counseling programs in an accredited school or college with a minimum of 60 semester credits related to counseling, including coursework in CACREP core areas. • Additional coursework may be required for LPCC • 100 hours of practicum and 600 hours of internship required
NE	http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Page s/Mental-Health-and-Social-Work- Practice.aspx https://www.nebraska.gov/rules- and- regs/regsearch/Rules/Health_and Human_Services_System/Title- 172/Chapter-094.pdf	Does Not Meet (unless electives taken towards requirements- see notes regarding 9 credits of theories and techniques required. Also, the practicum/inter nship requirement is for a minimum of 300 direct service hours.)	Examination Requirements: NCE (and NCMHCE for LPCC) PLMHP (Provisional/Initial license: Provisional Licensed Mental Health Practitioner) LMHP (Licensed Mental Health Practitioner) LIMHP (Licensed Independent Mental Health Practitioner) Educational Requirements: Masters degree, a doctoral degree, or the equivalent of a master's degree of at least 60 graduate semester hours in duration. Graduation from a CACREP meets all curriculum requirements. Note: A minimum of 6 semester hours or 9 quarter hours in theories and techniques. Two years after the effective date of these regulations (two years after 07-12-2021), the coursework must include a minimum of at least 9 semester hours or 12 quarter hours in theories and techniques. Practicum and/or Internship must involve a minimum of 300 direct service hours Examination Requirements:

			NCE or NCMHCE
NH	https://www.oplc.nh.gov/board- mental-health-practice	Meets	CMHC (Clinical Mental Health Counselor)
	http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/NHTOC/NHTOC-XXX-330-A.htm		 Educational Requirements: A 60 credit master's or doctoral degree in clinical mental health counseling from a Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) accredited institution or its equivalent
			<u>Examination Requirements</u>:NCMHCE
NJ	https://www.njconsumeraffairs.go v/pc/Pages/applications.aspx https://www.njconsumeraffairs.go v/regulations/Chapter-34- Subchapters-10-31-Professional- Counselors.pdf	Meets	LAC (Provisional/Initial license: Licensed Associate Counselor) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: • Master's degree (or doctorate) in counseling with a minimum of 60 graduate semester hours that is CACREP accredited or its equivalent. • Coursework in CACREP core areas • 3 years post Masters supervised practice-1 year can be within degree Examination Requirements:
212.4			• NCE
NM	https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards- and-commissions/individual- boards-and- commissions/counseling-and- therapy-practice/ https://www.rld.state.nm.us/uplo ads/files/Rule%20Book(1).pdf	Meets	LMHC (Provisional/Initial licensure: Licensed Mental Health Counselor) LPCC (Licensed Professional Clinical Mental Health Counselor) Educational Requirements: • Masters (or doctoral) degree in counseling or a counseling-related field and a total of no less then forty-eight (48) graduate semester hours or seventy-two (72) quarter graduate hours in the mental health clinical core curriculum as defined in 16.27.2.8 NMAC. • Curriculum in CACREP core areas. • 1000 hours of the 3000 required post Masters clinical practice can be within degree (Practicum/Internship) Examination Requirements: • NCE (for LMHC) and NCMHCE (for LPCC)
NV	https://marriage.nv.gov/Services/ CPC/	Meets	CPC Intern (Provisional/Initial license: Clinical Professional Counselor Intern) CPC (Clinical Professional Counselor)
			Educational Requirements:

NY	https://www.op.nysed.gov/profes sions/mental-health- counselors/license-requirements http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/m hp/mhclic.htm#edu	Meets An additional course or training may be required. (See bolded item and details in Educational Requirements column.)	 a graduate Mental Health degree from a program approved by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) as a program in mental health counseling or community counseling Examination Requirements: NCMHCE LMHC (Licensed Mental Health Counselor) Educational Requirements: Master's degree (or doctorate) in counseling with a minimum of 60 graduate semester hours that is (CACREP) accredited or its equivalent. In addition to the professional education requirement, every applicant for Mental Health Counseling licensure or a limited permit must complete coursework or
			training [2 hours] in the identification and reporting of child abuse in accordance with Section 6507(3)(a) of the Education Law. The state provides additional information and a list of approved providers and applicants must provide documentation of having completed the coursework or training through an approved course. Examination Requirements:
			NCMHCE
ОН	https://cswmft.ohio.gov/get-licensed/counselors/counselors	Meets	 LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) LPCC (Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor) Educational Requirements: Master's degree from a clinical mental health counseling program, clinical rehabilitation counseling program accredited by the council for accreditation of counseling and related educational programs (CACREP). Applicants must watch the State Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board's Laws & Rules video (https://cswmft.ohio.gov/for-professionals/resources-for-professionals/laws+and+rules) Examination Requirements: NCE (and NCMHCE for LPCC)
ОК	https://www.ok.gov/behavioralhealth/	Meets	LPC Candidate (Preliminary/Initial license: Licensed Professional Counselor)
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			LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
			 Educational Requirements: Master's degree in counseling or a mental health degree of at least sixty (60) semester credit hours or ninety (90) quarter credit hours of graduate counseling-related course work, including internship, must be earned. Coursework content in CACREP areas Examination Requirements:
			NCE
			Oklahoma Legal and Ethical Responsibilities
OB	www.orogon.gov/oblast	Moots	Examination
OR	www.oregon.gov/oblpct	Meets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
			 Educational Requirements: Master's (or doctorate) degree from a CACREP approved program (or CORE or otherwise accredited). At least 2 semester credit hours in diagnosis of mental disorders Of the 1900 required supervised practice hours, 400 can be pre-degree
			Examination Requirements:
			NCE or NCMHCE
PA	http://www.pacodeandbulletin.go	Meets	Oregon Law and Rules Examination LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
FA	v/Display/pacode?file=/secure/pacode/data/049/chapter49/chap49toc.html&d=reduce https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/SocialWorkersMarriageanFamilyTherapistsandProfessionalCounselors/Pages/Professional-Counselor-Licensure-Requirements-Snapshot.aspx	(See additional CE training requirement in child abuse recognizing and reporting)	Educational Requirements: Master's (or doctoral) degree in a planned program of at least 60 semester hours in counseling or a field determined by the board by regulation to be closely related to the practice of professional counseling from an accredited educational institution. Coursework content in CACREP areas. a hours of continuing education training in child abuse recognition and reporting
			Examination Requirements: ■ NCE
RI	https://health.ri.gov/licenses/deta il.php?id=228	Does Not Meet Note: in some documents, the	LCMHC-Associate (Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor Associate- preliminary license) LMHC (Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor)
		Practicum requirement is listed as 12 credits (in addition to a	 Educational Requirements: Master's (or doctorate) degree from a CACREP approved program or equivalent accrediting agency.

		full year internship)-if this is the case, then the UVM MS Counseling Program would not meet this requirement. However, if it is 12 hours of practicum, then UVM's program does meet requirements.	Completed CACREP course and Practicum (12 semester hours)/Internship (1 year of 20 hours per week) requirements. Examination Requirements: NCMHCE
SC	https://llr.sc.gov/cou/pc.aspx https://llr.sc.gov/cou/exam.aspx https://www.scstatehouse.gov/co deregs/Chapter%2036.pdf	Meets	LPC-A (Provisional/Initial license: Professional Counselor Associate) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: Evidence of graduation from a Clinical Mental Health counseling program accredited by CACREP at the time of graduation Examination Requirements:
SD	https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/counselors/licensing.aspx	Meets	NCE or NCMHCE LPC (Provisional/Initial license: Licensed Professional Counselor) LPC-MH (Licensed Professional Counselor - Mental Health) Educational Requirements: Master's (or doctorate) degree from a CACREP approved program or a 48 credit hour Master's degree from an accredited institution. Examination Requirements: NCE (and NCMHCE for LPC-MH)
TN	https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/pcmft-board.html https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/pcmft-board/pcmft-board/statutes-and-rules.html	Does Not Meet- (Additional coursework is required. See bolded item and details in Educational Requirements column.)	LPC/MHSP (Licensed professional Counseling with a Mental Health Services Provider designation) Educational Requirements: Sixty (60) graduate semester hours, based upon a program of studies with a major in counseling, completed from an institution accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs, or a comparable accrediting body;

			one of the study areas): Theories of human behavior, learning and personality; Abnormal behavior; Theories of counseling and psychotherapy; Evaluation and appraisal procedures; Group dynamics, theories and techniques; Counseling techniques; Multicultural counseling; Ethics; Research; Clinical practicum or internship (pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-22-104); Use of the DSM; Treatment and treatment planning Pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-22-120, a minimum of nine (9) graduate semester hours of coursework must be "specifically related to diagnosis, treatment, appraisal and assessment of mental disorders." This will be interpreted to mean passing nine (9) semester hours, either during the course of a graduate degree or as postgraduate work, in courses in which diagnosis, treatment and treatment planning, appraisal and assessment of mental disorders, psychopathology, and the use of the DSM were the entire focus of the course or comprised a substantial portion of the course work. Note: A stand-alone LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) license is also available through the Board that allows licensees to provide similar services without mental health treatment and diagnosis privileges.
			Examination Requirements: NCE, NCMHCE, and Tennessee
TX	https://www.bhec.texas.gov/texas	Does not Meet	Jurisprudence Exam LPC Associate (Provisional/Initial license:
14	-state-board-of-examiners-of- professional-	Additional	Licensed Professional Counselor Associate) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	counselors/index.html	courses required.	Educational Requirements:

(See bolded item and details in Educational Requirements column.)

Notes:

1. the UVM Counseling program DSM course may count for the abnormal human behavior required course (see bolded item in first section of required courses) or the DSM course would likely meet the criteria for the required psychopatho logy course (see bolded in second section). An additional

course in

issues is

needed.

professional

- A graduate degree in counseling or a counseling-related field of: at least 60 semester hours of coursework in a counseling or counseling-related field for applicants who began the qualifying program on or after August 1, 2017.
- Coursework in these areas required (an applicant who holds a graduate degree in counseling from an accredited school is presumed to have satisfied the academic course content requirements):
 - normal human growth and development
 - o abnormal human behavior
 - appraisal or assessment techniques
 - counseling theories
 - o counseling methods or techniques
 - o research
 - o life style and career development
 - o social, cultural, and family issues
 - professional orientation
 - practicum/internship (300 clock hours with 100 as direct service hours)
- As of August 1, 2017, the following courses must be taken in addition to those outlined [above]:
 - addictions counseling; to include,
 but not limited to, gambling, sexual,
 eating, alcohol, or drug;
 - an additional course in counselor ethics; to include records management, an overview of business/family law and professional practice, and the study of current Council rules
 - couples, marriage, or family counseling; and
 - a course in psychopathology to include such content as criteria of psychiatric diagnosis, use of the current Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders and the theories of psychopathology. The course should also include the basic knowledge of types of psychopharmacological medications.

Examination Requirements:

- NCE or NCMHCE
- Texas Jurisprudence Exam

UT	https://dopl.utah.gov/cmhc/	Meets	ACMHC (Provisional/Initial license: Associate Clinical Mental Health Counselor) CMHC (Clinical Mental Health Counselor) Educational Requirements: • Master's or Doctorate degree in Mental Health Counseling program ONLY that is accredited by CACREP or CHEA Examination Requirements:
VA	https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/counseling/ https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Forms/counseling/LPC/LPC_LicensureProcess_Handbook.pdf	Meets	 NCMHCE and NCE LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: Graduation from a CACREP or CORE accredited or be a graduate degree from a program that prepares individuals to practice counseling, as defined in §54.1-3500 of the Code of Virginia. 60 credit hour Masters degree Coursework requirements align with CACREP standards. 600 hours of internship (240 direct service hours) Examination Requirements:
VT	https://sos.vermont.gov/opr/ https://cms.sec.state.vt.us:8443/s hare/s/ZoJDDSOJQQmm2k9Q931L xQ	Meets	 NCMHCE CMHC (Clinical Mental Health Counselor) Applicants working to complete post-graduation requirements must be on the Roster of Non-Licensed & Non-Certified Psychotherapists Educational Requirements: A Master's degree or higher, including a minimum of 60 cr hrs in clinical mental health counseling, from an accredited educational institution (up to 6 credits of the required areas may be taken post-degree). Coursework aligns with CACREP standards. 700 hours of internship (can include 100 hours of practicum)-at least 600 hours need to be within degree Examination Requirements: NCE and NCMHCE
WA	https://doh.wa.gov/licenses- permits-and- certificates/professions-new- renew-or-update/mental-health- counselor/licensing-information	Meets	LMHCA (Preliminary/Initial license: Licensed Mental Health Counselor Associate) LMHC (Licensed Mental Health Counselor) Educational Requirements: Applicants must have a master's or doctoral degree in mental health counseling or a

WI	https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/LPC/Default.aspx	Meets Please note: While the coursework requirements indicate potentially additional courses, it appears that CACREP accredited programs are not required to submit the specific coursework. Note that UVM Counseling Program will be adding a required crisis and trauma course for those entering in Fall 2025.	behavioral science master's or doctoral degree in a field relating to mental health counseling. Required course content is fulfilled in UVM Counseling Program curriculum. Examination Requirements: NCE or NCMHCE LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: Complete a Graduate Degree of at least 60 semester hours in professional counseling or a closely related profession. A degree in Professional Counseling (pursuant to s. MPSW 14.01 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code) Coursework requirements: a minimum of one course of at least three (3) semester hours or four (4) quarter hours academic credit in: Counseling Theory, Supervised Counseling Practicum, Human Growth and Development, Social and Cultural Foundations, Helping Relationship, Group Dynamics Processing and Counseling, Lifestyle and Career Development, Assessment and Testing, Research and Evaluation, and Professional Counseling Orientation, Research and Evaluation, and Professional Counseling Orientation, And one course of at least three (3) semester hours or four (4) quarter hours academic credit in each of the following areas: Foundations of Clinical Mental Health Counseling or Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling; Clinical Mental Health Counseling Diagnosis and Treatment Planning or Rehabilitation Counseling Diagnosis and Treatment Planning;
			Counseling Diagnosis and

			Examination Requirements:
			NCE or NCMHCE
			Wisconsin Statutes and Rules Examination
WV	https://wvbec.org/becoming-a-	Meets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	licensed-counselor/		
			Educational Requirements:
	https://wvbec.org/wp-		Master's or doctoral degree of at least 60
	content/uploads/2022/07/Series-		credit hours from an institution with a
	1-Licensing-Rule-Revised-2022.pdf		program accredited by the CACREPor a
			comparable accrediting body.
			Course work in CACREP core areas, as well
			as elective options covered by UVM
			Counseling curricula.
			Of the required 3000 hours of supervised
			clinical practice, 600 hours can be within
			degree (as part of the Internship)
			Examination Requirements:
			NCE or NCMHCE
WY	https://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/	Meets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	https://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/rul		
	es-and-regulations		Educational Requirements:
			 Master's or doctoral degree in counseling
			from a program accredited by the Council
			for Accreditation of Counseling and Related
			Educational Programs (CACREP) or the
			Council on Rehabilitation Education (CORE)
			or equivalent.
			100 hour Practicum and 600 hour Internship
			Examination Requirements:
			NCE or NCMHCE