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
State	Link to State Licensure Site	-	Comments
		Does Not Meet	
AK	https://www.commerce.alaska.	Meets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	gov/web/cbpl/Professional		
	Licensing		Educational Requirements:
	/ProfessionalCounselors.aspx		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
			Examination Requirements:
			NCE <u>or</u> NCMHCE.
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 degree
	072222-cacrep.pdf	Requirements)	Course content in CACREP core areas
	_		 Practicum: A minimum of forty (40)
			clock hours must be direct service work

		The UVM	with clients. At least 80% of the direct
		Counseling	service must be in counseling sessions
		Program	with clients. Assessment activities with
		provides triadic	clients may not account for more than
		supervision for	20% of the direct services. A minimum
		Practicum	of one (1) clock hour per week must be
		students. The	of individual supervision by program
		Internship	faculty, and a minimum of one and one-
		individual	half (1 ½) clock hours per week must be
		supervision that	group supervision.
		occurs in the	Internship: At least 80% of the direct
		UVM	service, assessment may not account for
		Counseling	more than 20% of the direct services. A
		Program is	minimum of one (1) clock hour per
		conducted by	week must be of individual supervision
		the site	by program faculty, and a minimum of
		supervisor, not	one and one-half (1 1/2) clock hours per
		the Program	week must be group supervision.
		faculty.	week mast be group supervision.
			Examination Requirements:
			• NCE
AR	www.state.ar.us/abec	Does Not Meet	LAC (Provisional/Initial License: Lic Assoc
			Counselor)
	https://abec.statesolutions.us	(An additional	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
		class would be	,
		required -see	
		bolded item in	Educational Requirements:
		Educational	 Graduate degree that is primarily
		Requirements	professional counseling in content from
		column.)	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
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AZ	https://www.azbbhe.us/node/837	Meets	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.) 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: • NCE or NCMHCE
CA	https://www.bbs.ca.gov/pdf/forms/lpc/pcci app oos 01012016.pdf	Does Not Meet (Multiple additional requirements would be needed for licensure -see bolded items in Educational Requirements column)	APCC (Provisional/Initial License: Assoc. Prof Counselor) LPCC (Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors) Educational Requirements: Degree Program: 60 Cr Hr degree Course content in CACREP core areas including 6 cr of supervised practicum/field study A degree program that qualifies for licensure under this section shall do all of the following: Integrate the principles of mental health recovery- oriented care and methods of service

delivery in recovery-
oriented practice
environments.
 Integrate an
understanding of various
cultures and the social and
psychological implications
of socioeconomic position.
Provide the opportunity
for students to meet with
various consumers and
family members of
consumers of mental
health services to enhance
understanding of their
experience of mental
illness, treatment, and
recovery.
Additional "core areas" of required content
(three of these courses may be taken post-
Masters):
 Psychopharmacology (3 cr hr)
 Crisis or trauma counseling (3 cr
hr)
 Advanced counseling and
psychotherapeutic theories and
techniques (3 cr hr)
 Additional content required:
 15 semester units of advanced
coursework to develop knowledge
of specific treatment issues or
special populations.
Additionally, course content (this content)
must be contained in classes mentioned
above or constitute a separate course) must
include:
 The understanding of human
behavior within the social context
of socioeconomic status and other
contextual issues affecting social
position.
 The understanding of human
behavior within the social context
of a representative variety of the
cultures found within California.
Cultural competency and
sensitivity, including a familiarity
with the racial, cultural, linguistic,
and ethnic backgrounds of persons
living in California.
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- An understanding of the effects of socioeconomic status on treatment and available resources.
- Multicultural development and cross-cultural interaction, including experiences of race, ethnicity, class, spirituality, sexual orientation, gender, and disability and their incorporation into the psychotherapeutic process.
- Case management, systems of care for the severely mentally ill, public and private services for the severely mentally ill, community resources for victims of abuse, disaster and trauma response, advocacy for the severely mentally ill, and collaborative treatment.
- Human sexuality, including the study of the physiological, psychological, and social cultural variables associated with sexual behavior, gender identity, and the assessment and treatment of psychosexual dysfunction.
- Spousal or partner abuse assessment, detection, intervention strategies, and same gender abuse dynamics.
- A minimum of seven contact hours of training or coursework in child abuse assessment and reporting.
- Aging and long-term care, including biological, social, cognitive, and psychological aspects of aging. This coursework shall include instruction on the assessment and reporting of, as well as treatment related to, elder and dependent adult abuse and neglect.
- Effective January 1, 2021, the Board will begin requiring both applicants for licensure and licensees to have completed a minimum of six hours of coursework or applied experience under supervision in suicide risk assessment and intervention. There are three ways to meet this requirement: 1. The coursework may have been obtained as part of the graduate degree program that qualified you for licensure. 2. The requirement was met as part of your applied

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			experience. 3. The requirement can be met by taking a continuing education course
			from a provider that is acceptable to the
			Board.
			Board.
			Examination Requirements:
			California Law and Ethics exam
			NCMHCE
СО	https://dpo.colorado.gov/Professi	Meets	LPCC (Provisional/Initial License)
	<u>onalCounselor</u>		LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	Mental Health Credentials		Educational Requirements:
	Chart.pdf		Master's degree from CACREP approved
	<u>enare.par</u>		program
			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
CT	https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practiti	Meets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	oner-Licensing		,
	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
			Examination Requirements:
			NCE or NCMHCE
DC	http://hpla.doh.dc.gov/hpla	Meets	LGPC (Provisional/Initial License: Licensed
			Graduate Profess Couns)
	https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/160		LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	252		Educational Populisaments
			Educational Requirements:
			60 Cr Hr degree from CACREP accredited
			program (or its equivalent)
			Examination Requirements:
			• NCE
DE	https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/	Meets	LACMH (Provisional/Initial License: Licensed
	profcounselors/		Associate Counselor of MH)
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	https://delcode.delaware.gov/title		Educational Requirements:
	24/c030/sc02/index.html		Master's degree of a minimum of 60 cr hr
			with course content in CACREP core areas
			Examination Requirements:
			• NCE

FL	https://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/ RMHCI: https://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/licensing/registered-mental-health-counselor-intern/ LMHC: https://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/licensing/licensed-mental-health-counselor/	Does Not Meet (See bolded requirements in Educational Requirements column.) Additional course requirements would need to be met.	RMHCI (Provisional/Initial License: Registered Mental Health Counselor Intern) LMHC (Licensed Mental Health Counselor) Educational Requirements: Masters degree from a 60 cr hr program (July 1, 2025 degree must be from a CACREP accredited program) Course content in CACREP core areas Additional coursework: Minimum of 3 semester hours (or 4 quarter hours) of graduate-level coursework in each of the following: 1) Human Sexuality 2) Substance Abuse Completed an 8-hour Florida laws and rules course from a board approved provider listed on CE Broker. 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:
GA	https://www.counselingdegreeguide.org/licensure/georgia/ https://rules.sos.ga.gov/GAC/135-502?urlRedirected=yes&data=admin&lookingfor=135-502	Csee degree program practicum/inter nship supervisor requirements bolded in Educational Requirements column.) Note: the Practicum instructor and Internship site supervisor would need to be licensed and	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:

		with 3 years of	NCE or NCMHCE
		experience -	
		which exceeds	
		the Counseling	
		Program	
		requirements	
		for Practicum	
		and Internship.	
н	http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/program	Meets	MHC (Mental Health Counselor)
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		Note:	Education Requirements:
		The Hawaii law	Completion of a graduate program that
		indicates that a	includes 48 semester hours of graduate level
		total of 300	coursework in the CACREP core areas (3 cr
		hours of	hrs in each area) with Practicum/Internship
		supervised	of least two academic terms of supervised
		client contact is	mental health practicum intern experience
		required for	for graduate credit of at least six semester
		Practicum/Inter	hours or ten quarter hours in a mental
		nship. It does	health counseling setting, with a total of
		not delineate	three hundred hours of supervised client
		between direct	contact. The practicum [internship]
		contact hours	experience shall be completed under the
		and indirect	clinical supervision of a person who is
		contact hours.	licensed as a mental health counselor,
		The assumption	psychologist, clinical social worker,
		here is that this	advanced practice registered nurse with a
		law refers to	specialty in mental health, marriage and
		total internship	family therapist, or physician with a
		hours. If not,	specialty in psychiatry
		the applicant	
		will need to	Examination Requirements:
		take an	• NCE
		additional	
		internship	
		semester since	
		the UVM CP	
		Practicum	
		hours would	
		not count as	
		they do not	
		meet the	
		supervision	
		requirements.	
IA	https://idph.iowa.gov/licensure/io	Meets	MHC (Licensed Mental Health Counselor)
	wa-board-of-behavioral-science		A temporary license is granted until post-
			graduation requirements are met.
	https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/i		
	ac/rule/06-15-2022.645.31.2.pdf		Educational Requirements:
			Master's degree of 60 semester hours (or a
			doctoral degree) in counseling with
			emphasis in mental health counseling from a
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ID	https://apps.dopl.idaho.gov/DOPL Portal/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=C OU https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rule s/2001/24/1501.pdf https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rule s/current/24/241501.pdf	Meets	mental health counseling program accredited by (CACREP). Examination Requirements: NCE or NCMHCE LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) CPCL (Clinical Professional Counselor License) Educational Requirements: Master's degree or higher, which includes an educational specialist degree, that is primarily counseling in nature, from an accredited university or college offering a graduate program in counseling, provided that the program is either Approved by the CACREP or Examination Requirements:
IL	https://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/068/068013750A00450R.html https://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/068/06801375sections.html	Meets (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-	 NCE (and NCMHCE for CPCL) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: Masters (or Doctoral) counseling degree from regionally accredited institution of higher education with at least 48 cr hr. CACREP approved programs are considered approved programs. Curriculum includes CACREP core areas. However, the Professional Issues course requires content specific to Illinois: Professional, Legal and Ethical Responsibilities Relating to Professional Counseling, Including Illinois Law. Examination Requirements: NCE (and NCMHCE for LCPC)

		specific content	
		area would be	
		required of	
		UVM CP	
		graduates.	
		However, the	
		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	
		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.	
IN	https://www.in.gov/pla/	Meets	LMHCA (Provisional/Initial License: Licensed
			Mental Health Counselor Associate)
	https://www.in.gov/pla/professio	(Note the	LMHC (Licensced Mental Health Counselor)
	ns/behavioral-health-and-human-	bolded	,
	services/behavioral-health-and-	requirement of	Educational Requirements:
	human-services-licensing-	-66 hours of	Masters (or doctorate) degree in an area of
	information/#1AI	face-to-face	mental health counseling with curriculum
		supervision	requirements in CACREP core areas.
		[which will	However, pre-graduation requirements
		need	include one (1) supervised clinical practicum,
		documentation]	internship, or field experience in a
		- in	counseling setting, which must include a
		Practicum/Inter	minimum of seven hundred (700) clock
		nship in	hours consisting of one (1) practicum of one
		Educational	hundred (100) hours and one (1) internship
		Requirements)	of six hundred (600) hours with at least
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			sixty-six (66) hours of face to face
			supervision.
			Examination Requirement:
			NCE
KS	https://www.ksbsrb.ks.gov/profes	Meets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	sions/professional-counselors		LCPC (Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor)
		(Additional	
	https://www.ksbsrb.ks.gov/profes	coursework	Educational Requirements:
	sions/professional-	would be	Master's degree of 60 semester hours (or a
	counselors/statutes-regulations	required for	doctoral degree) that "is not below the
		LCPC licensure.)	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 as
			identified in State regulations.
			Examination Requirements:
KY	http://lpc.ky.gov	Meets	NCE LPCCA (Provisional/Initial License: Licensed
KI	ittp://ipc.ky.gov	Wicets	Professional Counselor Associate)
	https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/		LPCC (Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor)
	provider/Pages/LPCC.aspx		
			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
			Practicum/Internship. New regulations
			require degree from CACREP accredited
			Program.
			Examination Requirements:
			NCE or NCMHCE
LA	www.lpcboard.org	Does Not Meet	PLPC (Provisional/Initial License: Provisional
			Licensed Professional Counselor)
	https://www.lpcboard.org/rules	(see bolded	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselors)
		item for	
		Practicum	Educational Requirements:
		requirements in Educational	60 semester hour graduate degree the 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 does	Abnormal Behavior* [the content
		not offer	of the UVM Diagnosis and

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Internship	of supervision; of which: 1. a
supervisors are	minimum of ten Supervisory
required to	Contact Hours must be Individual
have 2 (not 3)	Supervision; 2. a minimum of five
years of	Supervisory Contact Hours must be
experience.	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:
	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
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			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 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:
	10 10 10		• NCMHCE
MD	https://health.maryland.gov/bopc	Meets	LGPC (Provisional/Initial License: Licensed
	/Pages/index.aspx		Graduate Professional Counselor)
	https://health.maryland.gov/bopc		LCPC (Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor)
	/Pages/gradprofessional.aspx		Educational Requirements:
	T. S.		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)
			Examination Requirements:
			• NCE
D.A.E.	https://www.essing.com/afa/aa.f	Mosts	Maryland Law Assessment Conditional LBC (Provisional (Initial counseling))
ME	https://www.maine.gov/pfr/profe ssionallicensing/professions/board	Meets	Conditional LPC (Provisional/Initial counseling license)
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			LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	-of-counseling-professionals- licensure/licensing		LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) LCPC (Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor)

			Educational Poquirements:
		Most	 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 the following areas required for LCPC: Lifestyle and Career Development Marriage and Family Counseling Human Sexuality for Counselors Supervision Crisis Intervention Addictive 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- Guide.pdf?rev=f5ea863e202941bc be928adf994c4c7f	Meets	 LLPC (Provisional/Initial license: Limited Licensed Professional Counselor) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: Master's (or doctoral) degree of no less than 48 credit hours from a program that meets CACREP standards. 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. Examination Requirements: NCE or NCMHCE
МО	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 must be in counseling [or related field] and consist of 48 semester or equivalent quarter hours. Curriculum in CACREP core areas.

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MS	https://www.lpc.ms.gov/wplpc/	Meets	Examination Requirements: NCE and Missouri Jurisprudence examination P-LPC (Provisional/Initial license: Provisional Licensed Professional Couns) LPC (Licensed Professional Couns)
			 Educational Requirements: A master's or doctoral degree program in counseling or a related field from a CACREP accredited program or that meets CACREP standards. Examination Requirements: NCE and NCMHCE
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)	 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) including 1000 direct contact service hours
NC	https://www.ncblcmhc.org/	Meets	Examination Requirements: NCE or NCMHCE LCMHCA (Provisional/Initial license: Clinical Mental Health Counselor Associate) LCMHC (Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor) Educational Requirements:

ND	www.ndbce.org	Meets (Additional coursework may be required for LPCC.)	 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 Examination Requirements: NCE or NCMHCE NC Jurisprudence Exam 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
			Examination Requirements: NCE (and NCMHCE for LPCC)
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	Opes Not Meet (unless electives taken towards requirements- see notes regarding 9 credits of theories and techniques required)	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. Examination Requirements: • NCE or NCMHCE
NH	https://www.oplc.nh.gov/board- mental-health-practice	Meets	CMHC (Clinical Mental Health Counselor) Educational Requirements:
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NJ	http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/NHTOC/NHTOC-XXX-330-A.htm https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/pc/Pages/applications.aspx https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/regulations/Chapter-34-Subchapters-10-31-Professional-Counselors.pdf	Meets	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 Examination Requirements: NCMHCE 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.
NM	https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards-and-commissions/individual-boards-and-commissions/counseling-and-therapy-practice/ https://www.rld.state.nm.us/uploads/files/Rule%20Book(1).pdf	Meets	Examination Requirements: NCE 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.
			Examination Requirements: NCE and NCMHCE
NV	https://marriage.nv.gov/Services/ CPC/	Meets	CPC Intern (Provisional/Initial license: Clinical Professional Counselor Intern) CPC (Clinical Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: 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 Examination Requirements: NCMHCE

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.)	 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, or addiction 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)
OK	https://www.ok.gov/behavioralhealth/	Meets	LPC Candidate (Preliminary/Initial license: Licensed Professional Counselor) 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 Examination
OR	www.oregon.gov/oblpct	Meets	 LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: Master's (or doctorate) degree from a CACREP approved program. At least 2 semester credit hours in diagnosis of mental disorders Examination Requirements: NCE or NCMHCE Oregon Law and Rules Examination
PA	http://www.pacodeandbulletin.go v/Display/pacode?file=/secure/pa code/data/049/chapter49/chap49 toc.html&d=reduce https://www.dos.pa.gov/Professio nalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/ SocialWorkersMarriageanFamilyTh erapistsandProfessionalCounselors /Pages/Professional-Counselor- Licensure-Requirements- Snapshot.aspx	Meets	 LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) 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. Examination Requirements: NCE
RI	https://health.ri.gov/licenses/deta il.php?id=228	Meets	LCMHC-Associate (Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor Associate- preliminary license) LMHC (Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor) Educational Requirements: Master's (or doctorate) degree from a CACREP approved program or equivalent accrediting agency. Completed CACREP course and Practicum/Internship requirements. Examination Requirements: NCMHCE
SC	New Link: https://llr.sc.gov/cou/pc.aspx https://llr.sc.gov/cou/exam.aspx	Meets	LPC-A (Provisional/Initial license: Professional Counselor Associate) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: Evidence of graduation from a Clinical
	intips://iir.sc.gov/cou/exam.aspx		Mental Health counseling program accredited by CACREP at the time of graduation

c n	https://www.scstatehouse.gov/coderegs/Chapter%2036.pdf	Moots	Additional Requirements for a Licensed Professional Counselor Licensed Professional Counselor requires 5 continuous years of clinical experience and 36 hours of individual or triadic supervision Examination Requirements: NCE or NCMHCE
SD	https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/counselors/licensing.aspx	Meets	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:
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.)	 NCE (and NCMHCE for LPC-MH) 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; The graduate coursework should include, but is not limited to, the following core areas (one course may satisfy study in more than one of the study areas):

			 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 -state-board-of-examiners-of-	Does not Meet	Jurisprudence Exam LPC Associate (Provisional/Initial license: Licensed Professional Counselor Associate)
	professional-	Additional	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	counselors/index.html	courses required.	Educational Requirements:
	https://www.bhec.texas.gov/wp-	required.	A graduate degree in counseling or a
	content/uploads/2023/10/2023-	(See bolded	counseling-related field of: at least 60
	September-LPC.pdf	item and details	semester hours of coursework in a
	· ·	in Educational	counseling or counseling-related field for
		Requirements	applicants who began the qualifying
		column.)	program on or after August 1, 2017.
			Coursework in these areas required (an
		Notes:	applicant who holds a graduate degree in
		1. the UVM	counseling from an accredited school is
		Counseling	presumed to have satisfied the academic course content requirements):
		program DSM course	o normal human growth and
		may count	development
		for the	o abnormal human behavior
		abnormal	o appraisal or assessment techniques
		human	o counseling theories
		behavior	 counseling methods or techniques
		Denavior	o counseling methods of techniques

		course (see	 life style and career development
		bolded item	 social, cultural, and family issues
		in first	 professional orientation
		section of	o practicum/internship (300 clock
		required	hours with 100 as direct service
		courses) or	hours)
		the DSM	As of August 1, 2017, the following courses
		course	must be taken in addition to those outlined
		would likely	[above]:
		meet the	 addictions counseling; to include,
		criteria for	but not limited to, gambling, sexual,
		the required	eating, alcohol, or drug;
		psychopatho	o an additional course in counselor
		logy course	ethics; to include records
		(see bolded	management, an overview of
		in second	business/family law and
		section).	professional practice, and the
		2. the UVM	study of current Council rules
		psychophar	o couples, marriage, or family
		m course	counseling; and
		would likely	o a course in psychopathology to
		meet the	include such content as criteria of
		criteria for	psychiatric diagnosis, use of the
		the required	current Diagnostic and Statistical
		psychopatho	Manual of Mental Disorders and
		logy course	the theories of psychopathology.
		(see bolded	The course should also include the
		in second	basic knowledge of types of
		section).	psychopharmacological
		An additional	medications.
		course in	Examination Requirements:
		professional	NCE or NCMHCE
		issues is	Texas Jurisprudence Exam
		needed.	
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
			Evamination Requirements:
			Examination Requirements:
\/A	https://www.dbg.vigsigis.gov/	Moots	NCMHCE and NCE LDC (Licensed Professional Counseler)
VA	https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/counseling/	Meets	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
			Educational Requirements:
	https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/For		Graduation from a CACREP or CORE
	ms/counseling/LPC/LPC Licensure		accredited or be a graduate degree from a
	Process Handbook.pdf		program that prepares individuals to

			practice counseling, as defined in §54.1-3500 of the Code of Virginia. Coursework requirements align with CACREP standards.
			Examination Requirements: ■ NCMHCE
VT	https://sos.vermont.gov/opr/ https://cms.sec.state.vt.us:8443/s hare/s/ZoJDDSOJQQmm2k9Q931L xQ	Meets	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 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
WI	https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/LPC/Default.aspx	Does Not Meet	LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
	https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/st atutes/statutes/457/14	(although not clear if stated educational requirements are for those who did not attend Professional Counseling programs)	 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) Course work requirements: a minimum of one course of at least three (3) semester

 ■ Wisconsin Statutes and Rules Examinat WV https://wvbec.org/becoming-a-licensed-counselor/ ■ Meets Lecontent/uploads/2022/07/Series-content/uploads/2022/07/Series-content/uploads/2022/07/Series-content/uploads/2022.pdf ■ Master's or doctoral degree of at least credit hours from an institution with a program accredited by the CACREPor comparable accrediting body. 				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, 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; Crisis and Trauma Counseling Abnormal Behavior and Psychology. Addictions counseling Family, partnership and couples counseling Examination Requirements:
WV https://wvbec.org/becoming-a-licensed-counselor/ Meets https://wvbec.org/wp- content/uploads/2022/07/Series- 1-Licensing-Rule-Revised-2022.pdf Description: LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor) Educational Requirements: Master's or doctoral degree of at least credit hours from an institution with a program accredited by the CACREPor comparable accrediting body. Course work in CACREP core areas, as was elective options covered by UVM				Examination Requirements:NCE or NCMHCE
 https://wvbec.org/wp- content/uploads/2022/07/Series- 1-Licensing-Rule-Revised-2022.pdf Master's or doctoral degree of at least credit hours from an institution with a program accredited by the CACREPor comparable accrediting body. Course work in CACREP core areas, as a selective options covered by UVM 	WV		Meets	Wisconsin Statutes and Rules Examination LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor)
<u>Examination Requirements</u> :		https://wvbec.org/wp- content/uploads/2022/07/Series-		 Master's or doctoral degree of at least 60 credit hours from an institution with a 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.
	14/1/	hatters //www.talles-life courses /	Masta	NCE or NCMHCE

https://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/rul	Educational Requirements:
es-and-regulations	 Master's or doctoral degree in counseling
	from a program accredited by the Council
https://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/pro	for Accreditation of Counseling and Related
fessionals-1/reciprocity-	Educational Programs (CACREP) or the
applications	Council on Rehabilitation Education (CORE).
	Examination Requirements:
	NCE or NCMHCE