



**PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAM
(Addiction Counseling Track):
Professional Licensure and
Disclosure Policy/Process**

SYNOPSIS

The following contains information related to a Kansas Wesleyan University academic program that is either:

1) designated to prepare students for professional license or certification attainment coupled with KWU’s determination whether the program meets U.S. State, Territory, or District curriculum requirements

OR

2) designated as a pre-licensure program that provides initial academic study, but is not intended to directly lead to professional license or certification since post-baccalaureate education and/or additional post-baccalaureate work experience would be required.

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Professional Licensure & Disclosure Policy (which contains Student Location Policy and Process) is included.

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Professional Licensure and Certification Disclosure Processes

This document contains information related to Kansas Wesleyan University's programs that are designed to prepare students for the attainment of a professional license or certification and its determination as whether those programs meet the educational prerequisites for professional licensure or certification. Academic programs omitted from this list are not intended to lead to a professional licensure or certification.

Additional Licensure Requirements: Requirements for licensure or certification in addition to educational prerequisites may include professional examinations, background checks, years or work experience, fingerprinting requirements, etc.

Potential Changes in Requirements: Students who plan to pursue licensure should be aware that requirements for professional licensure can vary drastically by state, and these requirements are subject to change at any time. While an academic program may originally meet the educational requirements for licensure, changes in U.S. State/U.S. Territory requirements or laws could impact the program's ability to meet new educational requirements. Students should always check with their state licensure board to confirm licensure requirements.

Important Note for Relocating During the Course of a Program of Study: Prospective and current students should keep in mind that relocating to another state during the course of a program of study could impact their ability to meet the licensure or certification requirements of the relocating state.



PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND DISCLOSURE POLICY

Administrative Division	Provost
Policy Title	Professional Licensure and Disclosure Policy
Administrative Office	Director of Assessment & Institutional Compliance
Effective Date of Policy	July 1, 2024

Purpose

The U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, specifically 34 CFR 668.43(a)(5)(v) and 34 CFR 668.43(c) require disclosures by institutions regarding educational requirement for programs leading to professional licensure or certification regardless of instructional modality. 34 CFR 668.43(a)(5)(v) requires an institution to provide information to enrolled and prospective students whether programs leading to professional licensure or certification meet educational requirements throughout all U.S. states and territories. This applies directly to the state of territory in which the enrolled and prospective students are located.

Implementation

This policy is effective July 1, 2024.

Definitions

Compact or Reciprocity Agreement: This is a formal, voluntary agreement among member states, districts, and territories that establishes comparable national standards for interstate offerings of postsecondary courses and programs. States and territories ultimately retain authority of licensure criteria, but each member state/territory adopts similar legislation that makes it possible for a licensed professional who completed an approved program and has acquired a certificate or license in one state/territory to earn a certificate or license in another state/territory.

Current students: Students who are currently enrolled in a Kansas Wesleyan University (KWU) academic program of study.

Student location: This is defined as the State where the student resides using the permanent address in Jenzabar, the KWU student information system; for a prospective student, this is the State of the prospective student's residency at the time the student has applied for admission, intends to enroll, and is then entered into Jenzabar, the KWU student information system. For students whose permanent address does not include a U.S. State or territory (e.g., student living outside the United States), their

location will be considered to be the State of Kansas. Location designations shall remain in effect unless and until a student notifies the institution in writing of a change of U.S. State or territory location. Once the student has notified the institution of their location change and the institution has noted the change in Jenzabar, the date of entry of the new student location in Jenzabar will serve as the effective date of a student's revised location for the purposes of this policy. An exception to the student location definition includes distance education.

Distance education: This involves the remote delivery (> 50 percent) of academic courses that are part of or independent of academic programs that employ one or more types of technology (internet, satellite, wireless communication, or audio/video conferencing) to students who are separated from the instructor and to support regular and substantive synchronous or a synchronous interaction between students and the instructor. For purposes of determining student location in such distance education situations, any student residing in Kansas, relocating to Kansas, or in the process of relocating to Kansas, their location will be considered to be the State of Kansas when students, during their first term of enrollment, are enrolled in, or are enrolling in any distance academic course(s) or academic program that is or is not part of KWU's *Professional Licensure and Disclosure* policy processes and procedures. This exception does not apply to commuter students outside of Kansas. Location designations shall remain in effect unless and until a student notifies the institution in writing of a change of U.S. State or territory location. Once the student has notified the institution of their location change and the institution has noted the change in Jenzabar, the date of entry of the new student location in Jenzabar will serve as the effective date of a student's revised location for the purposes of this policy.

Professional licensure program: A degree program that can lead to a professional licensure or certification to ensure a professional meets certain industry and/or occupational requirements in terms of knowledge, experience, and currency.

Prospective students: Students who have applied for admission to KWU but have not yet enrolled in any KWU courses.

Reciprocity Agreement or Compact: This is a formal, voluntary agreement among member states, districts, and territories that establishes comparable national standards for interstate offerings of postsecondary courses and programs. States and territories ultimately retain authority of licensure criteria, but each member state/territory adopts similar legislation that makes it possible for a licensed professional who completed an approved program and has acquired a certificate or license in one state/territory to earn a certificate or license in another state/territory.

Students: Students include current and prospective students.

State: A State of the Union, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Republic of Palau, Republic of Marshall Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Policy and Procedure

If an academic program offered by Kansas Wesleyan University (KWU) is designed to meet educational requirements for a specific professional license or certification that is required for employment in an occupation, or is advertised as meeting such requirements, information regarding whether completing that program would be sufficient to meet licensure requirements in a state for the occupation is required, including:

- A. A list of all states for which the institution has determined that its program curriculum meets the State educational requirements for licensure or certification; and
- B. A list of all states for which the institution has determined that its program curriculum does not meet the state educational requirements for licensure or certification.

A direct disclosure is required by 34 CFR 668.43(c) by the institution to the student in writing if the program leading to professional licensure or certification falls in the latter of the two categories above (the curriculum does not meet educational requirements) for the state in which a student is located. In this situation, the institution must inform the student directly of that status. This direct notification (typically email, letter, or other electronic form of communication) must occur before the student's enrollment in the program(s) or prior to the student making a financial commitment to the institution.

Alternatively, for a student enrolled in the program, if the institution makes a later determination that the program does not meet educational requirements for licensure or certification in the state where the student is located, the institution must provide notice directly to the student within 14 calendar days of making that determination. The direct disclosures must be in writing (typically email, letter, or other electronic form of communication). It is anticipated that this provision would occur most often when a program loses its approval in a state in which the student is located.

When disclosed to the student that the program curriculum does not meet state requirements regarding the state in which the student is located, the student may still enroll if the student is provided with information about the student's state location designation licensure status and attest that they will seek employment at a location (where the program's curriculum 'meets' state requirements) other than the student's state location designation. When such a situation like this arises, individual direct disclosures will be provided. Program participation agreement regulations require that students from 'does not meet' states/territories cannot be enrolled in the program. Only prospective students utilizing the attestation process/exception will be allowed to enroll in the program.

When a KWU academic program participates in a compact or reciprocity agreement, the program will determine whether the participating state requires a curriculum comparison. For states where a curriculum comparison is not required, no comparison will be made, but will be noted that the program meets educational requirements of the compact/reciprocity agreement. For states where a curriculum comparison is required or if the state is not part of a compact or reciprocity agreement, the program will conduct a curriculum comparison. Findings of the curriculum comparison will be disclosed to individual students based on the student's state location designation as 'meeting' or 'not meeting' state requirements. In either scenario where a curriculum comparison is or is not required, any other additional state requirements will be noted and disclosed to each individual student as appropriate.

Student Location:

For purposes of this policy, the student location is:

- The state where the enrolled student resides and is based on the permanent home address entered into Jenzabar, the KWU student information system (unless exceptions are noted; see '*Distant education*').
- For a prospective student, this is the state of the prospective student's residency at the time the student has applied for admission, intends to enroll, and is then entered into Jenzabar, the KWU student information system (unless additional exceptions are noted; see '*Distant education*').
- For *students whose permanent address does not include a U.S. State or territory* (e.g., student living outside the United States), their location will be considered to be the State of Kansas (unless additional exceptions are noted; see '*Distant education*').

The student location designation will remain in effect unless and until the student notifies the institution in writing of a change of U.S. State or territory location listed in the student's permanent address within Jenzabar, the KWU student information system.

Once the student has notified the institution of their location change and the institution has noted the change in Jenzabar, the date of entry in Jenzabar will serve as the effective date of a student's revised location for the purposes of this policy.

The institution will then have 14 calendar days to provide a direct disclosure to the student if it has been determined that the program's curriculum does not meet the state's (student's revised location) educational requirements for licensure or certification.

Academic programs where additional credit hours beyond the bachelor's degree are required for licensure or certification, said programs will state that the program is a 'prelicensure program' and is not designed as a program leading to licensure (e.g., Accounting [regarding C.P.A. and C.P.M. licensure]).

Academic programs will be required to conduct an annual review and update state by state findings concerning KWU's program curriculum 'meeting' or 'not meeting' state requirements as needed.

All other university policies that determine Kansas residency for the purpose of tuition assessment will not be superseded by this policy.

Disclaimer

Kansas Wesleyan University does not grant licensure, but each state's/territory's licensure board or agency provides licensure once a KWU student graduates and applies for that state's/territory's license. We cannot guarantee that any KWU graduated student will be able to obtain said license, but in good faith we have put forth our best effort in determining whether KWU academic programs meet each state's/territory's licensure requirements. As a result, our determinations are not final and should not be relied upon.

Compliance

Compliance with the university's Professional Licensure and Disclosure Policy is mandatory for all faculty, staff, and students. Failure to follow the policy will be handled through the standard disciplinary procedure according to the respective university guidelines.

KWU Psychology Program

The Psychology program at Kansas Wesleyan University (KWU) has a track in Addiction Counseling. As such, this particular baccalaureate degree with the Addiction Counseling track is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and is not intended to be used within interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.

Consulting Firm: *The Bookmark*

KWU has partnered with consulting firm, *The Bookmark*, to assist with making determinations regarding curriculum requirements. *The Bookmark* representatives have provided KWU guidance as to whether or not each state/territory/district requires a curriculum comparison. If curriculum comparisons are warranted, *The Bookmark* personnel provided additional state/territory/district legislative language. *The Bookmark* documentation may be found in APPENDIX A.

How Determinations Are Made

Determinations regarding KWU's Psychology (with the Addiction Counseling Track) curriculum meeting or not meeting curriculum requirements are easily established. This particular degree will only meet State of Kansas curriculum requirements and will not meet other U.S. State's, District's, or Territory's curriculum requirements based on the information provided in the "KWU Psychology Program" section at the top of this page.

- Determination processes are based solely on prospective and currently enrolled students in KWU's Psychology Program (Addiction Counseling Track).
- KWU's Psychology Department Chair or department designee, in consultation with appropriate KWU personnel, will chart and record all prospective and currently enrolled students in the Psychology Program (Addiction Counseling Track).
- KWU will be responsible for maintaining and updating its website with 'Make Available' disclosure information as it becomes available.
- KWU will be responsible for sending the appropriate 'Direct Disclosures.'
- If a prospective or currently enrolled student has notified the institution of a home/residence change and the institution has noted the change in Jenzabar, the date of entry in Jenzabar will serve as the effective date of a student's revised location for the purposes of this policy. The institution will then have 14 calendar days to provide a direct disclosure to the student if it has been determined that the program's curriculum does not meet the state's (student's revised location) educational requirements for licensure or certification.

Sample 'Direct Disclosure' Communication to Prospective & Current Students

'Direct Disclosure' – Positive Determination Draft Message

Due to KWU's Psychology Program (Addiction Counseling Track) curriculum being targeted to and accepted only by the State of Kansas, a direct disclosure with a positive determination will not be sent to any prospective or current student whose home location is not in Kansas.

Due to recent changes in Federal Legislation, we are now required to contact you regarding your program of study in Psychology (Addiction Counseling Track), and whether KWU's program curriculum would be approved by your home state (**state**). At this time, we have determined that KWU's program curriculum **does meet** state licensure requirements in your home state. Further documentation and information may be found on the KWU website at: <https://www.kwu.edu/about/consumer-information/> at the "Psychology Program (Addiction Counseling Track) Professional Licensure and Disclosure Policy/Process" link.

'Direct Disclosure' – Negative Determination Draft Message

Due to recent changes in Federal Legislation, we are now required to contact you regarding your program of study in Psychology (Addiction Counseling Track), and whether KWU's program curriculum would be approved by your home state (**state**). At this time, we have determined that KWU's program curriculum **does not meet** state licensure requirements in your home state. Further documentation and information may be found on the KWU website at: <https://www.kwu.edu/about/consumer-information/> at the "Psychology Program (Addiction Counseling Track) Professional Licensure and Disclosure Policy/Process" link.

Sample 'Attestation' Statement for Prospective and Current Students

Dear KWU <ADMISSIONS/REGISTRAR> Office,

I am a <PROSPECTIVE/CURRENT> student interested in enrolling in an education program at Kansas Wesleyan University. I have been informed by <ADVISOR NAME> that this program **does not meet** the state licensure requirements in the state in which I am currently located.

I acknowledge that if I enroll in the program and complete the curriculum, I will not be eligible to become licensed in my current state, which may impact my career opportunities. I also understand that if I do not plan to relocate to another state or territory in order to seek licensure and employment after completing the program, I am prohibited by federal regulation from being admitted into the program.

I hereby attest and confirm that I do not intend to remain in my current state upon completing the <NAME OF PROGRAM> program but rather, intend to relocate to <MEETS STATE/TERRITORY>, and plan to seek licensure and employment in <MEETS STATE/TERRITORY>. I confirm I have reviewed the general licensure disclosures provided by Kansas Wesleyan University. Using all reasonable efforts, Kansas Wesleyan University has determined that the program **does meet** the educational requirements for licensure in the state or territory that I plan to relocate to and therefore, I intend to enroll in the program.

I understand that the education element is only one component of requirements for licensure. Criminal history, background checks, fingerprinting, additional training, continuing education, supervised work experience, fees, and other requirements may need to be satisfied in order to qualify for licensure.

I also acknowledge that I should contact any state or territory in which I may be interested in becoming licensed after completing the program to ensure I fully understand my employment options in that state or territory. The most reliable information comes directly from the applicable licensure board or agency/entity. I submit this attestation voluntarily and knowingly.

Student Name

Date

KWU Determination by State, Territory, or District

U.S. State or Territory	KWU Curriculum Meets State or Territory Requirements?
Psychology (Addiction Counseling Track)	
Alabama	No
Alaska	No
American Samoa	No
Arizona	No
Arkansas	No
California	No
Colorado	No
Connecticut	No
Delaware	No
District of Columbia	No
Federated States of Micronesia	No
Florida	No
Georgia	No
Guam	No
Hawaii	No
Idaho	No
Illinois	No
Indiana	No
Iowa	No
Kansas	Yes
Kentucky	No
Louisiana	No
Maine	No
Maryland	No
Massachusetts	No
Michigan	No
Minnesota	No
Mississippi	No
Missouri	No
Montana	No
Nebraska	No
Nevada	No
New Hampshire	No
New Jersey	No
New Mexico	No
New York	No
North Carolina	No
North Dakota	No
Northern Mariana Islands	No
Ohio	No
Oklahoma	No
Oregon	No
Pennsylvania	No
Puerto Rico	No
Republic of Palau	No
Republic of the Marshall Islands	No
Rhode Island	No
South Carolina	No
South Dakota	No
Tennessee	No
Texas	No
U.S. Virgin Islands	No
Utah	No
Vermont	No
Virginia	No
Washington	No
West Virginia	No
Wisconsin	No
Wyoming	No

'Direct' Disclosure' –Right-to-Know/Consumer Information Draft Message

Students,

Due to changes to Federal Law, we are required to send you a message regarding where you may locate KWU's **Right-Know/Consumer Information**. This information may be found on the KWU Website: <https://www.kwu.edu/consumer-information>, and contains important items regarding the following topics:

- Academic Departments
- Academic Dishonesty
- Academic Programs
- Accreditation
- Accreditation: CAEP Report for Teacher Education
- Athletic Participation Rates and Financial Support Data
- Clery/Campus Security Act and Fire Safety Reports on Student Housing
- Common Data Set
- Cost of Attendance
- Disability Services
- Drug & Alcohol Prevention
- Equity in Athletics
- Faculty
- Federal Work Study Program
- FERPA Notifications
- Financial Aid: Federal and State
- Financial Aid: Financial Assistance Information
- Financial Aid: Frequently Asked Questions
- Financial Aid: How Do I apply for Financial Assistance? Options
- Financial Aid: How Do I Learn About My Financial Awards?
- Financial Aid: Need Easy Access to your Financial Aid, business Office, and Admissions Information?
- Financial Aid: Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid Recipients
- Financial Aid Verification
- Forms
- Graduation/Completion Rates for the Student Body by Gender, Ethnicity, Receipt of Pell Grants 2017-2023
- Information Security Program (Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act)
- Loan Disclosures: Code of Conduct for Education Loans
- Loan Disclosures: Entrance Counseling for Student Loan Borrowers
- Loan disclosures: Exit Counseling for Student Loan Borrowers
- Loan Disclosures: Keep Student Loan Debt Minimal
- Loan Disclosures: Student Loan Repayment
- Loan Disclosures: Private Education Loan Disclosures (Including Self-Certification Form)
- Loan Disclosures: Private Loan Lists
- Loan Disclosures: Self-Certification Form
- Loan Disclosures: State Grant Assistance Entrance Counseling for Student Loan Borrowers

- Loan Disclosures: Student Loan Information Published by the U.S. Department of Education
- Misrepresentation: Filing a Formal Student Complaint
- Net Price Calculator
- Pre-professional Programs
- Professional Licensure – Accounting, Elementary Education, Health & Physical Education, Health Science (Pre-Athletic Training track and Pre-Physical Therapy track), Instrumental Music Education, Nursing, Pre-Law, Social Work, and Vocal Music Education
- Retention Rates
- Safeguarding Customer Information – Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act
- Satisfactory Academic Progress: For Financial Assistance Recipients
- Scholarships and Other Programs
- Student Athletes: Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act
- Student Body Diversity
- Student Complaint Policy
- Student Financial Aid Recipient: Rights and Responsibilities
- Student On-campus Employment Terms and Conditions
- Student Outcomes Data
- Student Right-to-Know Act
- Transfer Credit Policies and Articulation Agreements
- Textbooks
- Veteran & Military Benefits
- Withdrawing Procedures Regarding Kansas Wesleyan University, Refund Policy, Return of Title IV Funds

A paper copy of information will be sent upon request. Please Contact Bridget Weiser at the address provided below.

Sincerely,

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APPENDIX A: *THE BOOKMARK* DOCUMENTS FOR U.S. STATES/TERRITORIES/DISTRICTS

Listed in alphabetical order beginning on the next page.



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State/Territory

*KEY

Board/Agency Name

Licensing board or agency name

Board/Agency Website

License Title

Specific title of license issued by the state/territory.

Note, if a state/territory issues a required time-limited license for purposes of gaining supervised experience after graduating that has different educational requirements, information for this type of license and the next-level license is provided. Curriculum should be compared to all relevant titles/levels in order to determine if a program "meets" educational requirements.

Specialized Accreditation Required?

"No" means the Board does not require the program to hold a specialized accreditation for licensure.

"Yes" means the Board does require the program to hold a specialized accreditation for licensure.

"N/A" means the state or territory does not offer a license.

Specialized Accreditation

"Yes" means there is language in statute or

Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?

rule that a program that holds specialized accreditation meets some or all education requirements.

"No" means Board does not indicate that specialized accreditation meets all educational requirements.

"N/A" means state/territory does not offer a license.

Curriculum Comparison Needed?

"Yes" means a comparison of the program to specific state standards/coursework/supervised experience listed is needed to determine if the program meets educational requirements for licensure.

"No" means a program does not need to compare their program to specific state/territory educational requirements. In most instances, the Board/Agency is relying on specialized accreditation or approval, license applicants holding certification, or license applicants meeting examination requirements.

"N/A" means the state or territory does not offer a license.

Note, each licensing board will still evaluate each individual graduate's application at the time they apply.

Specific Coursework

Specific information from statute, rule, application, or website is copied that includes state/territory requirement of certain courses or other educational requirements to be completed as part of the program. Licensing board/agency will review the graduate's transcript to determine if educational requirements were completed.

"N/A" means the state or territory does not

offer a license.

Note, if references to other sections of statutes/regulations are listed, The Bookmark includes all relevant information required for curriculum comparison here. In other words, programs do not need to complete further research into statutes/regulations to determine comparison requirements.

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

If "yes", all required coursework needs to be taken as part of the degree.

If "no", information found in statute, regulation, rule, policy, or Board published information that indicates some coursework can be taken outside of degree/after graduation.

Note that if coursework can be taken outside of the degree, the program must still meet Board program requirements, for example total credits.

"N/A" means the state/territory does not issue a license or specific coursework is not applicable.

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Information is provided about any required practicum, internship, or supervised clinical experiences required to be completed as part of the program.

"N/A" means the state/territory does not issue a license.

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

"Yes" means the state/territory requires a license applicant who graduated from a program based in another state/territory to hold that state/territory license to meet educational requirements for initial, first-time license.

"No" means the state/territory does not require a license applicant who graduated from a program based in another state/territory to hold that state/territory license to meet educational requirements for initial, first-time license.

"N/A" means the state/territory does not issue a license.

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

"Yes" means the state/territory requires a license applicant to hold a certification issued by a private (non-governmental) organization to meet educational requirements for initial, first-time license.

"No" means the state/territory does not require a license applicant to hold a certification issued by a private (non-governmental) organization to meet educational requirements for initial, first-time license.

"N/A" means the state/territory does not issue a license.

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

Training, continuing education or other requirements for initial licensure are listed here. These DO NOT need to be completed as part of the program to meet educational requirements for licensure.

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

Experience required for initial licensure. This could be supervised work experience after graduating, experience accrued outside of the program, or specific prior work experience. This DOES NOT (and in most cases, cannot) need to be completed as part of the program to meet educational requirements for licensure.

Exam(s) Required

Any exams required for the type of license.

"None found" means that the state/territory

does not specify an exam for that particular license.

"N/A" means the state/territory does not offer a license.

**Statute/Regulation/Rule
Citation**

Citation to the relevant section(s) of state statutes, regulations or rules.

Notes

--Educational requirements are provided for the recent graduate of a program of a regionally accredited college or university in the U.S. who is, or will be, applying for their first license or certification (typically by exam).

--Some states have additional levels of license/certification or additional scope of practice available if specific coursework, training, or work experience is completed. The Bookmark only captures the first level of license/certification (unless otherwise indicated).

--Some license types have multiple pathways to qualify. The Bookmark includes information through the lens of a program offered at a regionally accredited college or university, and does not include all of the possible ways that an individual may qualify for the license.

--Terminology is inconsistent across states/territories for most license types. Certification, license, credential, endorsement and certificate are all used to describe the legally required permission by a state/territory to practice a particular profession or occupation. The Bookmark uses license and certification to refer to all of these. The exact title is provided for each state/territory.

Last Reviewed Date

Feedback Form (Send us your questions, comments or information about your experience with licensure)

<https://forms.gle/zLB3dsG9j6qmx1pU6>

HISTORY LOGS

No records found.

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State/Territory	Alabama
Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A
Notes	Alabama Alcohol & Drug Abuse Association is a private agency that offers Alcohol and Drug Counselor (ADC) - IC&RC level certification
Last Reviewed Date	9/30/2023
Feedback Form (Send us your questions, comments or information about your experience with licensure)	https://forms.gle/zLB3dsG9j6qmx1pU6

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State/Territory	Alaska
Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A
Notes	Alaska Commission for Behavioral Health Certification is a private agency that offers Chemical Dependency Counselor certification
Last Reviewed Date	9/30/2023
Feedback Form (Send us your questions, comments or information about your experience with licensure)	https://forms.gle/zLB3dsG9j6qmx1pU6

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State/Territory	American Samoa
Board/Agency Name	Pacific Substance Abuse Mental Health Certification Board
Board/Agency Website	https://www.pbhcc.com/
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not	N/A

Required In-Program)

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

N/A

Exam(s) Required

IC&RC ADC

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

N/A

Notes

W. Substance Abuse Professional (SAP) means a licensed physician, or a licensed or certified psychologist, social worker, Employee assistance professional, or addiction counselor (certified by the National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors Certification Commission) with knowledge of and clinical experience in the diagnosis and treatment of alcohol and drug-related disorders. The role of the SAP in the program is to evaluate the need for a rehabilitation plan for Employees referred to the SAP, develop a rehabilitation program as required, monitor and assist the Employee in their progress to return to full duties and schedule return-to-duty and follow-up tests.

11.0503 Definitions.

<https://asbar.org/regulation/11-0503-definitions/>

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State/Territory	Arizona
Board/Agency Name	Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners (AZBBHE)
Board/Agency Website	https://www.azbbhe.us/
License Title	Licensed Independent Substance Abuse Counselor (LISAC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	Yes, by the National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC)
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, if program is not NASAC accredited
Specific Coursework	R4-6-703. Licensed Independent Substance Abuse Counselor Curriculum A. An applicant for licensure as an independent substance abuse counselor shall have a master's or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university in one of the following: 1. A program accredited by NASAC; 2. A behavioral health science program that meets the core content standards specified in R4-6-701(B) and includes at least 300 hours of supervised practicum as prescribed

under subsection (D); or

3. An educational program previously approved by the Board under A.R.S. § 32-3253(A)(14) that includes at least 300 hours of supervised practicum as prescribed under subsection (D).

B. In addition to the degree requirement under subsection (A), an applicant for licensure as an independent substance abuse counselor shall complete the supervised work experience requirements prescribed under R4-6-705(B).

C. In evaluating the curriculum required under subsection (A)(2), the Board shall assess whether a core content area is embedded or contained in more than one course. The applicant shall provide information the Board requires to determine whether a core content area is embedded in multiple courses. The Board shall not accept a core content area embedded in more than two courses unless the courses are succession courses. The Board shall allow subject matter in a course to qualify in only one core content area.

D. Supervised practicum. A supervised practicum shall integrate didactic learning related to substance use disorders with face-to-face, direct counseling experience. The counseling experience shall include intake and assessment, treatment planning, discharge planning, documentation, and case management activities.

E. The Board shall deem an applicant to meet the curriculum requirements for independent substance abuse counselor licensure if the applicant:

1. Holds an active and in good standing associate substance abuse counselor license issued by the Board; and
2. Met the curriculum requirements with a master's degree when the associate substance abuse counselor license was

issued.

F. An applicant for licensure as an independent substance abuse counselor who completed the applicant's educational training before the effective date of this Section or no later than October 31, 2017, may request that the Board evaluate the applicant's educational training using the standards in effect before the effective date of this Section.

Ariz. Admin. Code R4-6-703

B. An associate's or bachelor's degree under subsection (A)(3), shall include at least three semester or four quarter credit hours in each of the following core content areas:

1. Psychopharmacology, including but not limited to effects on mood, behavior, cognition and physiology;
2. Models of treatment and relapse prevention, including but not limited to philosophies and practices of generally accepted and evidence-supported models;
3. Group work: Group dynamics and processes as they relate to addictions and substance use disorders;
4. Institute no more than six semester credit hours. Working with diverse populations: Issues and trends in a multicultural and diverse society as they relate to substance use disorder and addiction;
5. Co-occurring disorders, including but not limited to philosophies and practices of generally accepted and evidence-supported models;
6. Ethics, including but not limited to:
 - a. Legal and ethical responsibilities and liabilities;
 - b. Standards of professional behavior and scope of practice;
 - c. Client rights, responsibilities, and informed consent; and
 - d. Confidentiality and other legal

considerations in the practice of behavioral health; and
7. Assessment, diagnosis, and treatment. Use of assessment and diagnosis to develop appropriate treatment interventions for substance use disorders or addictions.
Ariz. Admin. Code R4-6-701

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

300 hours of supervised practicum if master's degree is not from a program accredited by NASAC

A. An applicant for licensure as an independent substance abuse counselor shall have a master's or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university in one of the following:

1. A program accredited by NASAC;
2. A behavioral health science program that meets the core content standards specified in R4-6-701(B) and includes at least 300 hours of supervised practicum as prescribed under subsection (D); or
3. An educational program previously approved by the Board under A.R.S. § 32-3253(A)(14) that includes at least 300 hours of supervised practicum as prescribed under subsection (D).

D. Supervised practicum. A supervised practicum shall integrate didactic learning related to substance use disorders with face-to-face, direct counseling experience. The counseling experience shall include intake and assessment, treatment planning, discharge planning, documentation, and case management activities.

Ariz. Admin. Code R4-6-703

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

3,200 hours of supervised work experience including 1,600 hours of direct client contact and 100 hours of clinical supervision

R4-6-705. Supervised Work Experience for Substance Abuse Counselor Licensure
A. An applicant for associate substance abuse counselor licensure who has a bachelor's degree and is required under R4-6-702(A) to participate in a supervised work experience shall complete at least 3200 hours of supervised work experience in substance abuse counseling in no less than 24 months. The applicant shall ensure that the supervised work experience relates to substance use disorder and addiction and meets the following standards:

1. At least 1600 hours of direct client contact involving the use of psychotherapy related to substance use disorder and addiction issues,
2. No more than 400 of the 1600 hours of direct client contact are in psychoeducation,
3. For the purpose of licensure, no more than 1600 hours of indirect client contact related to psychotherapy services,
4. At least 100 hours of clinical supervision as prescribed under R4-6-212 and R4-6-706, and
5. At least one hour of clinical supervision in any month in which the applicant provides direct client contact.

B. An applicant for independent substance abuse counselor licensure shall demonstrate completion of at least 3200 hours of supervised work experience in substance abuse counseling in no less than 24 months. The applicant shall ensure that the supervised work experience meets the standards specified in subsection (A).

Ariz. Admin. Code R4-6-705

F. A person who wishes to be licensed by the board to engage in the practice of substance abuse counseling as a licensed independent substance abuse counselor shall:

1. Have received a master's or higher degree in a behavioral science with an emphasis on counseling, in a program that is approved by the board pursuant to § 32-3253 or that meets the requirements as prescribed by the board by rule, from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. Present documentation as prescribed by the board by rule that the applicant has received at least one thousand six hundred hours of work experience in at least twenty-four months in substance abuse counseling with direct client contact under supervision that meets the requirements as prescribed by the board by rule. For the direct client contact hours, not more than four hundred hours may be in psychoeducation.
3. Pass an examination approved by the board.
4. Provide an attestation from the person's supervisor on a board-approved form that the person both:
 - (a) Was observed during supervised hours to have demonstrated satisfactory competency in clinical documentation, consultation, collaboration and coordination of care related to clients to whom the person provided direct care.
 - (b) Has a rating of at least satisfactory in overall performance.

Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 32-3321

Exam(s) Required

IC&RC AADC exam, NAADAC Level II or higher exams, NBCC MAC exam

B. The Board approves the following licensure examinations for an applicant for associate or independent substance abuse counselor licensure:

1. Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor Examination offered by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium,
 2. Level II or higher examinations offered by the NAADAC, the Association of Addiction Professionals, and
 3. Examination for Master Addictions Counselors offered by the National Board for Certified Counselors.
- Ariz. Admin. Code R4-6-704

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 32, Ch. 33, art. 8
Ariz. Admin. Code R4-6-701 through R4-6-707

Notes

None

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State/Territory	Arkansas
Board/Agency Name	Arkansas State Board of Examiners of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (SBEADAC)
Board/Agency Website	https://www.sbeadac.org/
License Title	Licensed Associate Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselor (LAADAC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	E. APPLYING FOR LICENSURE (5) The Applicant must successfully complete a minimum of two hundred seventy (270) clock hours of approved education. Approved education must be directly related to alcoholism and/or drug abuse counseling subjects, theory, practice, or research. All education hours are subject to review and approval by the SBEADAC Credentialing Committee. (6) The Applicant must submit a completed

registration application form, which shall be provided by the SBEADAC. The registration application form can be accessed through the SBEADAC website at www.sbeadac.org. (7) The applicant shall submit a notarized "Statement of Agreement" that certifies under penalty of perjury, that all education and experience requirements have been met. It is strongly recommended that both the applicant and approved supervisor maintain detailed record of supervision topics, timeline, and job duties for the required minimum period of three (3) years. The BEADAC reserves the right to call for such record as needed for confirmation or in matters of dispute. The "Statement of Agreement" can be accessed through the SBEADAC website at www.sbeadac.org. Code Ark. R. 007.26.4-VI

§ 17-27-409. Licensed associate alcoholism and drug abuse counselor--License requirements

(a) The State Board of Examiners of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors shall issue a license as a licensed associate alcoholism and drug abuse counselor to an applicant who meets the following requirements:

(3)(A) Has successfully completed a minimum of two hundred seventy (270) clock hours of approved education.

(B) Approved education shall be directly related to alcoholism or drug abuse counseling subjects, theory, practice, or research;

(10) Holds a baccalaureate degree in the health or behavioral sciences field or other appropriate field from an accredited college or university;

Ark. Code Ann. § 17-27-409 (West)

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

(4) The applicant must verify three (3) years of clinically supervised work experience in field of Substance Abuse and Mental Health.

(a) The applicant may be able to use internship, practicum or volunteer experience hours. To meet this experience requirement, applicant must be able to show work experience in a facility that is licensed and/or accredited as a substance use disorder (SUD) treatment program or work under the supervision of a clinical supervisor with credential specific to SUD treatment.

(b) Applicant must be in the practice of SUD treatment in all or part of the 12 months preceding application or, at minimum, an applicant not in SUD practice in the 12 months preceding application will be required to complete six (6) hours of professional ethics training. The Board may require additional training hours.

(c) All documentation and work experience submitted with application will be reviewed by the Board for consistency with SBEADAC requirements for licensure. If you cannot meet all these requirements, you will need to make application for licensure at the SBEADAC website: www.sbeadac.org. Code Ark. R. 007.26.4-VI

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

Six hours related to Ethics within the last (2) two years

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

3 years or six thousand (6,000) hours of supervised experience.
Minimum 300 hours must be in direct clinical supervision

(4) The applicant must verify three (3) years

of clinically supervised work experience in field of Substance Abuse and Mental Health.

(a) The applicant may be able to use internship, practicum or volunteer experience hours. To meet this experience requirement, applicant must be able to show work experience in a facility that is licensed and/or accredited as a substance use disorder (SUD) treatment program or work under the supervision of a clinical supervisor with credential specific to SUD treatment.

(b) Applicant must be in the practice of SUD treatment in all or part of the 12 months preceding application or, at minimum, an applicant not in SUD practice in the 12 months preceding application will be required to complete six (6) hours of professional ethics training. The Board may require additional training hours.

(c) All documentation and work experience submitted with application will be reviewed by the Board for consistency with SBEADAC requirements for licensure. If you cannot meet all these requirements, you will need to make application for licensure at the SBEADAC website: www.sbeadac.org. Code Ark. R. 007.26.4-VI

§ 17-27-409. Licensed associate alcoholism and drug abuse counselor--License requirements

(a) The State Board of Examiners of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors shall issue a license as a licensed associate alcoholism and drug abuse counselor to an applicant who meets the following requirements:

(1) Is at least twenty-one (21) years of age;

(2)(A) Has successfully completed a minimum of three (3) years or six thousand (6,000) hours of supervised experience.

(B) Supervised experience shall be approved and documented by a registered clinical

supervisor in good standing with the board;
(11)(A) Has successfully completed a minimum of three (3) years or six thousand (6,000) hours of supervised direct counseling experience in the alcoholism or drug abuse counseling field, either paid or voluntary.
(B) Supervised experience shall be approved and documented by a registered clinical supervisor in good standing with the board.
Ark. Code Ann. § 17-27-409 (West)

Exam(s) Required

§ 17-27-409. Licensed associate alcoholism and drug abuse counselor--License requirements

(a) The State Board of Examiners of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors shall issue a license as a licensed associate alcoholism and drug abuse counselor to an applicant who meets the following requirements:

(8) Has passed a national qualifying written examination prescribed by the board, sufficient to ensure professional competence in keeping with the highest standards of the alcoholism and drug abuse counseling profession;

Ark. Code Ann. § 17-27-409 (West)

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Ark. Code Ann. § 17-27 (West)
Code Ark. R. 007.26.4

Notes

None

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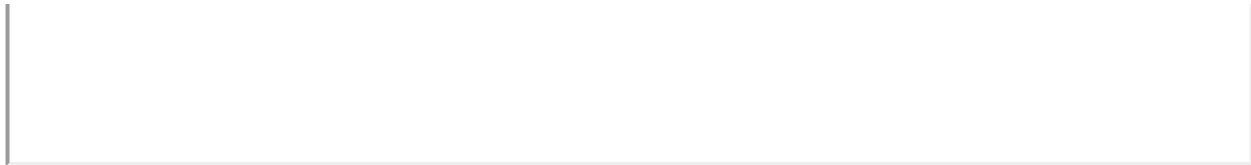
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State/Territory	California
Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A
Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A

Notes The California Department of Health Care Services recognizes the following National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) accredited organizations to register and certify alcohol and other drug counselors in California. To become a certified counselor or to obtain further information regarding educational requirements for becoming an alcohol and other drug counselor in California, please contact any of the certifying organizations listed below:

California Association for Alcohol and Drug Educators (CAADE)

California Association of DUI Treatment Programs (CADTP)California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals (CCAPP)

<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/CounselorCertificationOrganizations.aspx>

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State/Territory	Colorado
Board/Agency Name	Colorado State Board of Addiction Counselor Examiners
Board/Agency Website	https://dpo.colorado.gov/AddictionCounselor
License Title	Licensed Addiction Counselor (ACD)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>B. Education and Training Requirements.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Applicant must provide evidence of completion of a master's or doctorate degree in one of the behavioral health sciences from an accredited school, college, or university or an equivalent program as determined by the Board.2. Applicant must have completed the required hours of addiction specific training, including training in evidenced-based treatment approached, clinical supervision, ethics and co-occurring disorders as is required to meet the criteria for a certificate of addiction counseling,

level III through March 31, 2020.

3. On or after April 1, 2021, Applicant must have completed the required hours of addiction specific training, including training in evidenced-based treatment approaches, clinical supervision, ethics and co-occurring disorders as is required to meet the criteria for a certificate addiction specialist

4 Colo. Code Regs. § 744-1:1.15

(3) "Approved school, college, or university" means any accredited institution of higher education offering a full-time graduate or undergraduate course of study in behavioral health sciences, such as addiction counseling, human services, psychology, rehabilitation, social work, or other behavioral health sciences, that is recognized by an appropriate national organization or is approved by the board.
Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 12-245-801 (West)

Meet all the requirements of CAT and CAS

(Must either take or show educational equivalency for the following courses:

- Addiction Counseling Skills
- Case Conceptualization and Documentation (aka Client Record Management)
- Culturally-Informed Treatment
- Motivational Interviewing
 - Advanced Motivational Interviewing
- Trauma Informed Care for Diverse Populations
- Ethical Practice in Addiction Treatment (14 hrs) (aka Professional Ethics I: Ethics and Jurisprudence)
- Group Counseling Skills
- Co-occurring Disorders
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
 - Advanced Case Conceptualization (aka Clinical Assessment and Treatment Planning)
 - Advanced Treatment Models (aka Advanced Models)
- Treating Diverse Populations (aka Specialized Addiction Treatment)

Training Requirements
(Must meet training requirements for the CAS,
below is the list of training requirements
WITHOUT educational equivalency)
-Principles of Addiction Treatment (21 hrs)
-Infectious Diseases in Addiction Treatment (14
hrs)
-Pharmacology I (14 hrs)
-Advanced Pharmacology (14 hrs) (aka
Pharmacology II) Prerequisite: Pharmacology I
-Advanced Professional and Ethical Practice
(14hrs) (aka Professional Ethics II, Professional
Practice) Prerequisite: Ethical Practice in
Addiction Treatment
-Clinical Supervision I (21 hrs)
-Clinical Supervision II (14 hrs) Prerequisites:
Advanced Motivational Interviewing and Clinical
Supervision I

**Must Credits/Courses Be
Part of Degree Program?**

Yes, as indicated

**Supervised Experience (In-
Program)**

Must meet external requirements (i.e.
specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

**Must Out-of-State Program
Graduate Hold License to
Qualify?**

No

**Must License Applicant Hold
Private Certification?**

No

**Additional Training (Not
Required In-Program)**

None found

**Experience (After
Graduating/Outside of
Program)**

C.R.S.A. § 12-245-804
Formerly cited as CO ST § 12-43-804
§ 12-245-804. Requirements for licensure,
certification, and registration--rules
(1) The board shall issue a license as an
addiction counselor to an applicant who files an
application in the form and manner required by
the board, submits the fee required by the
board pursuant to section 12-245-205, and
submits evidence satisfactory to the board that
the applicant:

(g) Has completed at least two thousand direct clinical hours of clinically supervised work experience in the addiction field. The clinical supervision may be in person or telesupervision. Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 12-245-804 (West)

Exam(s) Required

The master addiction counselor examination administered by the National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors, or an equivalent examination administered by a successor organization; and Passing a jurisprudence examination administered by the division;

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. T. 12, art. 245, Pt. 8 (West)
4 Colo. Code Regs. § 744

Notes

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Board/Agency Name	Connecticut Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselor Certification Board
Board/Agency Website	https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/Alcohol-Drug-Counselor/Alcohol-and-Drug-Counselor-Certification-Requirements
License Title	Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	360 hours of education, at least 240 of which pertained to alcohol and drug abuse, while the remaining hours must have been in the field of human behavior. From the Board's website verifying education form 360 hours of education, at least 240 of which pertained to alcohol and drug abuse, while the remaining hours must have been in the

field of human behavior.
90 hours in counseling theories and techniques
Pharmacology – 18 hours
assessment and treatment planning – 30 hours
cross-cultural, special population and ethnically diverse groups 12 hours
ethics – 12 hours
HIV – AIDS – 6 hours

Note: In responding to this section, no more than 40 hours of inservice training may be credited toward satisfying the educational requirements.

Please indicate whether the following core counseling functions were represented in this applicant's education:

Screening
counseling
treatment planning
intake
referral
crisis intervention
orientation
case management
client education
assessment
consultation
report and record keeping

Sec. 20-74s-2. Education

(a) The attainment of a master's degree or higher advanced degree from an accredited institution of higher education, with a minimum of 18 graduate semester hours in counseling or counseling--related subjects, shall satisfy the requirement of attainment of a masters degree under section 20-74s(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

(b) Education as required under section 20-74s(e)(3) of the Connecticut General Statutes, shall conform to the following:

(1) Cover each of the core counseling functions as specified in section 20-74s-1(a) (2);

(2) Of the 360 hours required, a minimum of 90 hours shall be in counseling theories and techniques. Up to 120 hours may be in areas that are not specific to alcohol and drug abuse, but shall be in the field of human behavior;

(3) Of the 240 hours pertaining to alcohol and drug abuse, 18 hours shall be in pharmacology, 30 hours shall be in assessment and treatment planning, 12 hours shall be in cross-cultural, special population and ethnically diverse groups, 12 hours shall be in ethics, and 6 hours shall be in Human Immunodeficiency Virus and Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome; and

(4) No more than 40 hours of in-service training may be credited toward satisfying the educational requirements.

(c) Individuals who are certified by a board that is a member of the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium/Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse shall be deemed to have met the requirements of subsection (b) of this section.

Conn. Agencies Regs. 20-74s-2

(d) Licensure eligibility requirements. To be eligible for licensure as a licensed alcohol and drug counselor, an applicant shall (1) have attained a master's degree from an accredited institution of higher education in social work, marriage and family therapy, counseling, psychology or a related field approved by the commissioner that included a minimum of eighteen graduate semester hours in counseling or counseling-related subjects, except applicants holding certified clinical supervisor status by the Connecticut Certification Board, Inc. as of October 1,

1998, may substitute such certification in lieu of the master's degree requirement, and (2) have completed the certification eligibility requirements described in subsection (e) of this section.

(e) Certification eligibility requirements. To be eligible for certification by the Department of Public Health as a certified alcohol and drug counselor, an applicant shall have (1) completed three hundred hours of supervised practical training in alcohol and drug counseling that the commissioner deems acceptable; (3) completed three hundred sixty hours of commissioner-approved education, at least two hundred forty hours of which relates to the knowledge and skill base associated with the practice of alcohol and drug counseling; Conn. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 20-74s (West)

(a) (2) The work experience or internship shall be specifically related to the knowledge and skills necessary to perform all of the following core counseling functions: screening, intake, orientation, assessment, treatment planning, counseling, case management, crisis intervention, client education, referral, report and record keeping, and consultation.
Conn. Agencies Regs. 20-74s-1

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes, as indicated

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

300 hours - may be part of the work experience or internship and shall include at least 10 hours of practical training in each of the core counseling functions

(a) Work experience or internship required under section 20-74s(e)(2) of the Connecticut General Statutes shall constitute approved experience for Connecticut certification when all of the criteria specified

below are satisfied:

(1) The work experience or internship shall entail: (A) working directly with persons who have been assessed or diagnosed as having an alcohol or other drug abuse dependency; and (B) providing specific counseling interventions that are directed toward the amelioration of a substance use disorder and that are identified in a treatment plan.

(2) The work experience or internship shall be specifically related to the knowledge and skills necessary to perform all of the following core counseling functions: screening, intake, orientation, assessment, treatment planning, counseling, case management, crisis intervention, client education, referral, report and record keeping, and consultation.

(5) The 300 hours of practical training in alcohol and drug counseling required under section 20-74s(e)(1) of the Connecticut General Statutes, may be part of the work experience or internship and shall include at least ten hours of practical training in each of the core counseling functions specified in subdivision (2) of this subsection.

Conn. Agencies Regs. 20-74s-1

(e) Certification eligibility requirements. To be eligible for certification by the Department of Public Health as a certified alcohol and drug counselor, an applicant shall have (1) completed three hundred hours of supervised practical training in alcohol and drug counseling that the commissioner deems acceptable; (2) completed three years of supervised paid work experience or unpaid internship that the commissioner deems acceptable that entailed working directly with alcohol and drug clients, except that a master's degree may be substituted for one year of such experience; (3) completed three hundred

sixty hours of commissioner-approved education, at least two hundred forty hours of which relates to the knowledge and skill base associated with the practice of alcohol and drug counseling; and (4) successfully completed a department prescribed examination.

Conn. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 20-74s (West)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

4,000 hours with a master's degree meeting all criteria copied below

(a) Work experience or internship required under section 20-74s(e)(2) of the Connecticut General Statutes shall constitute approved experience for Connecticut certification when all of the criteria specified below are satisfied:

(1) The work experience or internship shall entail: (A) working directly with persons who have been assessed or diagnosed as having an alcohol or other drug abuse dependency; and (B) providing specific counseling interventions that are directed toward the amelioration of a substance use disorder and that are identified in a treatment plan.

(2) The work experience or internship shall be specifically related to the knowledge and skills necessary to perform all of the following core counseling functions: screening, intake, orientation, assessment, treatment planning, counseling, case management, crisis intervention, client education, referral, report and record keeping, and consultation.

(3) The work experience or internship shall

be no less than 6000 hours, except that a master's degree may be substituted for 2000 hours. Not less than 2000 of the required hours shall be in the core counseling functions specified in subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(4) The supervisor of the work experience or internship shall be (A) if in Connecticut, an alcohol and drug counselor licensed pursuant to section 20-74s of the Connecticut General Statutes, or certified as a clinical supervisor by the Connecticut Certification Board, or if the experience or internship occurred in Connecticut prior to October 2, 1998, an individual deemed licensed pursuant to section 20-74s(l) of the Connecticut General Statutes; (B) if outside Connecticut, an alcohol and drug counselor licensed as such or as a person entitled to perform similar services under a different designation, in the state or jurisdiction in which the training is completed; or (C) a person licensed in the state in which the training is completed to practice medicine and surgery, psychology, marital and family therapy, clinical social work, professional counseling, advanced practice registered nursing, or registered nursing when acting within the scope of such license, who has completed 50 hours of specialized alcohol and drug counseling education in the areas of pharmacology, assessment and treatment planning, and treatment techniques, and has experience working directly with persons who have been assessed or diagnosed as having an alcohol or other drug abuse dependency.

(5) The 300 hours of practical training in alcohol and drug counseling required under section 20-74s(e)(1) of the Connecticut General Statutes, may be part of the work experience or internship and shall include at least ten hours of practical training in each of the core counseling functions specified in

subdivision (2) of this subsection.
Conn. Agencies Regs. 20-74s-1

Exam(s) Required

International Certification Examination for Alcohol and other Drug Abuse Counselors of the International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium/Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse, Inc.

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Conn. Gen. Stat. Ann. tit. 20, Ch. 376b (West)
Conn. Agencies Regs. tit. 20

Notes

None

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State/Territory	Delaware
Board/Agency Name	Delaware Board of Professional Counselors of Mental Health and Chemical Dependency Counselors
Board/Agency Website	https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/profcounselors/
License Title	Licensed Chemical Dependency Professional (LCDP)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	<p>Yes, by NAADAC, NCAC, MAC, DCB Inc., or by another certifying organization acceptable to the Board</p> <p>3000-4.0. Licensure for Chemical Dependency Professionals (LCDP)</p> <p>4.1 Licensure by Certification Requirements</p> <p>4.1.3 Certification. To be licensed by certification an applicant must be certified by the National Association for Addictions Professionals (NAADAC) as a National Certified Addictions Counselor (NCAC) or Master Addictions Counselor (MAC), by the Delaware Certification Board (DCB Inc.) as a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC), or by another certifying organization acceptable to the Board.</p> <p>4.1.3.1 Another certifying organization must meet all of the following criteria to be acceptable to the Board:</p> <p>4.1.3.1.1 The organization shall be a national</p>

professional chemical dependency organization recognized as setting national standards of clinical competency;

4.1.3.1.2 The organization shall require the applicant to take and pass a standardized examination designed to test his understanding of the principles involved in the chemical dependency specialty for which he is being certified; and

4.1.3.1.3 The organization shall prescribe a code of ethics substantially equivalent to NAADAC's.

4.1.3.2 At the time of initial licensure, licensees must provide evidence of active certification in good standing by an organization acceptable to the Board. If a licensee is certified by an organization that thereafter is deemed not acceptable by the Board, the licensee must obtain certification from an acceptable organization to qualify for licensure renewal.

Code Del. Regs. 3000-4.0

§ 3044. Qualifications of applicant

(a)(3) Is certified by the National Association for Addictions Professionals, (NAADAC) as a national certified addictions counselor (NCAC or MAC), by the Delaware Certification Board (DCB Inc.) as a certified alcohol and drug counselor, or by a certifying organization acceptable to the Board.
Del. Code Ann. tit. 24, § 3044 (West)

Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?

Yes

Curriculum Comparison Needed?

Yes, all programs

Specific Coursework

§ 3044. Qualifications of applicant

(a) Applicants for chemical dependency professional license by certification under this chapter shall complete an application form, pay the required fee and provide evidence, verified by oath and satisfactory to the Board, that the applicant meets the following requirements:

(1) Received a master's degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education with a minimum of 30 graduate semester hours in counseling or subjects closely related to counseling.

Del. Code Ann. tit. 24, § 3044 (West)

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes, as indicated

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

Yes

NAADAC, NCAC, MAC, DCB Inc., or by another certifying organization acceptable to the Board 3000-4.0. Licensure for Chemical Dependency Professionals (LCDP)

4.1 Licensure by Certification Requirements

4.1.3 Certification. To be licensed by certification an applicant must be certified by the National Association for Addictions Professionals (NAADAC) as a National Certified Addictions Counselor (NCAC) or Master Addictions Counselor (MAC), by the Delaware Certification Board (DCB Inc.) as a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC), or by another certifying organization acceptable to the Board.

4.1.3.1 Another certifying organization must meet all of the following criteria to be acceptable to the Board:

4.1.3.1.1 The organization shall be a national professional chemical dependency organization recognized as setting national standards of clinical competency;

4.1.3.1.2 The organization shall require the applicant to take and pass a standardized examination designed to test his understanding of the principles involved in the chemical dependency specialty for which he is being

certified; and

4.1.3.1.3 The organization shall prescribe a code of ethics substantially equivalent to NAADAC's.

4.1.3.2 At the time of initial licensure, licensees must provide evidence of active certification in good standing by an organization acceptable to the Board. If a licensee is certified by an organization that thereafter is deemed not acceptable by the Board, the licensee must obtain certification from an acceptable organization to qualify for licensure renewal.

Code Del. Regs. 3000-4.0

Effective: January 1, 2023

24 Del.C. § 3044

§ 3044. Qualifications of applicant

(a) Applicants for chemical dependency professional license by certification under this chapter shall complete an application form, pay the required fee and provide evidence, verified by oath and satisfactory to the Board, that the applicant meets the following requirements:

(3) Is certified by the National Association for Addictions Professionals, (NAADAC) as a national certified addictions counselor (NCAC or MAC), by the Delaware Certification Board (DCB Inc.) as a certified alcohol and drug counselor, or by a certifying organization acceptable to the Board.
Del. Code Ann. tit. 24, § 3044 (West)

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

3000-4.0. Licensure for Chemical Dependency Professionals (LCDP)

4.1 Licensure by Certification Requirements

4.1.1 Education. The applicant's master's degree shall be documented by an official transcript submitted directly to the Board by the degree-granting institution.

4.1.2 Experience. Counseling experience shall be defined as the accumulation of 3,200 hours in no less than two years, providing chemical dependency services in a professional clinical

setting, including face-to-face interaction with clients and other matters directly related to the treatment of clients. Supervision shall be verified by the "Supervision Reference Form," which shall be submitted directly to the Board by the approved clinical supervisor.

4.1.2.1 At least 1500 of the 1600 hours required to be supervised must be in the actual provision of face to face direct chemical dependency counseling services.

4.1.2.1.1 At least 750 of these 1500 hours must be individual face to face client sessions and must include the actual provision of direct chemical dependency counseling services.

4.1.2.1.2 The remaining 750 hours may be individual, group, couple, family counseling services, or some combination thereof.

4.1.2.1.3 At least 100 of these 1600 hours must be face to face professional direct supervision with the applicant's supervisor. Face to face supervision includes both in person and live video conferencing so long as supervision by live video conferencing does not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the total 100 hours of supervision.

4.1.2.1.3.1 Individual Direct Supervision.

Individual supervision shall consist of one to one, face to face meetings between supervisor and supervisee. The entire 100 hour requirement may be fulfilled by individual supervision.

4.1.2.1.3.2 Group Supervision. Group supervision shall consist of face to face meetings between supervisor and no more than eight supervisees. No more than 40 hours of group supervision shall be acceptable towards fulfillment of the 100 hour direct supervision requirement.

4.1.2.2 If a proposed supervisor is not a professional licensed by the Delaware Board of Professional Counselors of Mental Health and Chemical Dependency Counselors, the proposed supervisor must attest, on a form provided by the Board for this purpose:

4.1.2.2.1 That s/he has read and is familiar with the requirements for licensure as a Chemical

Dependency Professional in Delaware, including the applicable statute and these regulations;
4.1.2.2.2 That s/he has read and is familiar with either the DCB or NADAAC Code of Ethics;
4.1.2.2.3 That s/he has been a licensed professional in good standing for at least five years; and
4.1.2.2.4 That s/he has been appropriately trained to provide clinical supervision.
Code Del. Regs. 3000-4.0

§ 3044. Qualifications of applicant
(a)(2) Subsequent to receiving the master's degree has acquired 3,200 hours of counseling experience, 1,600 hours of which must be under the supervision of a licensed chemical dependency professional. Where supervision by a licensed chemical dependency professional is not available, a licensed clinical social worker, licensed psychologist, licensed professional counselor of mental health or a licensed physician specializing in chemical dependency may supervise the applicant. Of the 1,600 hours of supervised counseling experience, at least 100 hours must be face-to-face consultation between the supervisor and supervisee, which may take place in individual and/or in group settings, as follows:

- a. Individual supervision, which consists of 1-to-1, face-to-face meetings between supervisor and supervisee, provided, the entire 100 hour requirement may be fulfilled by individual supervision.
 - b. Group supervision, which consists of face-to-face meetings between supervisor and no more than 6 supervisees; provided, no more than 40 hours of group supervision shall be acceptable toward the 100 hour requirement.
- Del. Code Ann. tit. 24, § 3044 (West)

Exam(s) Required

(3) Is certified by the National Association for Addictions Professionals, (NAADAC) as a national certified addictions counselor (NCAC or MAC), by the Delaware Certification Board (DCB Inc.) as a

certified alcohol and drug counselor, or by a certifying organization acceptable to the Board. Del. Code Ann. tit. 24, § 3044 (West)

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Del. Code Ann. tit. 24, § 30 (West)
Code Del. Regs. 3000

Notes

None

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State/Territory	District of Columbia
Board/Agency Name	District of Columbia Board of Professional Counseling
Board/Agency Website	https://dchealth.dc.gov/service/professional-counseling-licensing
License Title	Certified Addiction Counselor I
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>8702. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS</p> <p>8702.1 An applicant shall present proof to the Board that he or she has graduated with at least an Associate's degree in a health or human services field, including but not limited to registered nursing, aging studies, criminal justice, health education, or mental health, from an accredited institution whose program is accredited by an entity recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. The degree shall include the following coursework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Understanding the dynamics of human behavior and family systems -- three (3) hours; (b) Signs and symptoms of substance abuse -- three (3) hours; (c) Recovery process, stages of change, relapse prevention, treatment approaches, group dynamics and other adjunctive treatment recovery support groups, motivational interviewing, and models and theories of addiction -- three (3) hours; (d) Ethics, rules and regulations -- three (3) hours; (e) Professional identity in the provision of substance abuse services -- three (3) hours; (f) Crisis intervention -- three (3) hours; (g) Cultural factors and competencies in addiction -- three (3) hours; (h) Co-occurring disorders in interdisciplinary treatment -- three (3) hours; (i) Diagnostic and screening criteria in addictions -- three (3) hours; and (j) Psychopharmacology resources in the treatment of addictions -- three (3) hours. <p>8702.2 In lieu of the requirements for § 8702.1, an applicant for certification by waiver as an addiction counselor I, shall have two (2) years of supervised experience obtained while registered as an addiction counselor with such registration having been obtained on or after July 8, 2007, and shall have passed a national examination deemed acceptable by the Board.</p> <p>8702.3 Any coursework listed in § 8702.1 that has not been taken in a degreed program shall be taken in a program approved by the National Association of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC) or shall be taken at a college or university accredited by an entity recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.</p> <p>D.C. Mun. Regs. tit. 17, § 8702</p> <p>https://dchealth.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/publication/attachments/course_form-_addiction_counselors_-_caci.pdf</p>
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	<p>No</p> <p>8702.5 Any coursework listed in § 8702.3 that has not been taken in a degreed program shall be taken in a program approved by the NAADAC or shall be taken at a college or</p>

university accredited by an entity recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.
D.C. Mun. Regs. tit. 17, § 8702

Supervised Experience (In-Program) Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify? No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification? No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program) None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program) (a) The Board of Professional Counseling shall certify as an addiction counselor I a person who, in addition to meeting the requirements of subchapter V of this chapter:
(1)(A) Has met the educational requirements of graduating with at least an associate's degree in health or human services from an accredited institution that incorporates the academic course work and minimum hours of supervised training required by the regulations adopted by the Board and whose program is accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education; or
(B) Has at least 2 years of documented, supervised experience in the field of addiction counseling; and
(2) Passed a national examination approved by the Board.
(b) A certified addiction counselor I shall practice addiction counseling under the supervision of an authorized health-care professional.
D.C. Code Ann. § 3-1208.51 (West)

Exam(s) Required The National Association of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors -- National Certification Commission (NAADAC-NCC) Level I examination and the District jurisprudence exam

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation D.C. Code Ann. § 3-1208. (West)
D.C. Mun. Regs. tit. 17, § 8700

Notes None

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State/Territory	Federated States of Micronesia
Board/Agency Name	Pacific Substance Abuse Mental Health Certification Board
Board/Agency Website	https://www.pbhcc.com/
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not	N/A

Required In-Program)

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program) N/A

Exam(s) Required IC&RC ADC

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation N/A

Notes None

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State/Territory	Florida
Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A
Notes	The Florida Certification Board is a private board that offers Certified Addiction Professional
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State/Territory	Georgia
Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program) N/A

Exam(s) Required N/A

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation N/A

Notes The Georgia Addiction Counselors Association (GACA) is a private agency that offers addiction counselor certification and the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Certification Board of Georgia (ADACBG) is a private agency that offers alcohol and drug counselor certification.

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State/Territory	Guam
Board/Agency Name	Pacific Substance Abuse Mental Health Certification Board
Board/Agency Website	https://www.pbhcc.com/
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A
Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	IC&RC ADC
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A
Notes	https://internationalcredentialing.org/Sys/PublicProfile/12938107/3809085

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State/Territory	Hawaii
Board/Agency Name	Hawai'i State Department of Health - Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division
Board/Agency Website	https://health.hawaii.gov/substance-abuse/home/counselor-certification/
License Title	Certified Substance Abuse Counselor - bachelor degree
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>§ 11-177.1-17. Certified substance abuse counselor - bachelor degree.</p> <p>(a) The applicant shall have completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited school with a major in social work, psychology, counseling psychology, substance abuse counseling, or other counseling or mental health field.</p> <p>Haw. Code R. 11-177.1-17 (Weil)</p> <p>(c) The applicant shall provide</p>

documentation showing the following information:

- (1) A minimum of two hundred seventy hours of substance abuse specific education;
- (2) Six hours of education on professional ethics;
- (3) Six hours of education on Title 42 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 2; and
- (4) Six hours of education on HIV and AIDS including issues related to confidentiality of records.

Haw. Code R. 11-177.1-17 (Weil)

From the Board's website CSAC Application
The courses must be at least one (1) hour in length per covered subject. Most three-credit college/university course are 45 hours. For initial certification: the courses must be directly

related to the eight domains of clinical evaluation, treatment planning, referral, service

coordination, counseling, client, family and community education, documentation, and professional and ethical responsibility as pertain to substance use disorder functions. ADAD may take up to 180 educational hours from transcripts relevant to the field of substance use disorder and up to an additional 45 total with co-occurring disorder.

Education accomplished through workshops approved by ADAD for continuing education or

through ADAD-approved distance learning must be documented by submitting a copy of the

certificate of completion to include hours.

Distance learning is limited to 50% (135 hours) of the total education required unless authorized by the division.

A minimum of six (6) hours of education is

required three areas:

1. Substance Use Disorder Ethics,
2. Title 42 Code of Federal Regulations, part 2 and HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act)
3. Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

(b) The applicant shall have completed four thousand hours of clinically supervised work experience providing direct alcohol and drug treatment services. The experience shall be documented by the clinical supervisor on a form to be provided by the department. The clinical supervisor must be employed or contracted by the program or agency in which the work experience is gained.
Haw. Code R. 11-177.1-17 (Weil)

(d) The applicant shall document on a form to be provided by the department four hundred hours of supervised practical training in the Twelve-Core function areas.

(1) A minimum of twenty hours shall be completed in each of the Twelve-Core function areas;

(2) The four hundred hours may be included in the four thousand hours of experience

required in subsection (b);
(3) The four hundred hours shall be completed under the supervision of a certified substance abuse counselor certified in a category which is eligible for reciprocity.
Haw. Code R. 11-177.1-17 (Weil)

Exam(s) Required

IC&RC Examination
Domains:
1. Screening, Assessment, & Engagement
2. Treatment Planning, Collaboration, & Referral
3. Counseling & Education
4. Professional & Ethical Responsibilities

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Haw. Code R. tit. 11, Subt. 1, Ch. 177. (Weil)

Notes

None

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State/Territory	Idaho
Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A
Notes	The Idaho Board of Alcohol/Drug Counselor Certification (IBADCC) is a private agency that offers alcohol and drug counselor certification.
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State/Territory	Illinois
Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A
Notes	The Illinois Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse Professional Certification Association (IAODAPCA) is a private agency that offers alcohol and drug counselor certification.
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State/Territory	Indiana
Board/Agency Name	Indiana Behavioral Health and Human Services Licensing Board
Board/Agency Website	https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/behavioral-health-and-human-services/
License Title	Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	25-23.6-10.5-5 Educational requirements for applicant for addiction counselor license Sec. 5. (a) An applicant under section 1 of this chapter must complete the following educational requirements: (1) Course work from an eligible postsecondary educational institution that includes the following content areas: (A) Addictions theory. (B) Psychoactive drugs. (C) Addictions counseling skills.

- (D) Theories of personality.
 - (E) Developmental psychology.
 - (F) Abnormal psychology.
 - (G) Group work.
 - (H) Cultural competency.
 - (I) Ethics and professional development.
 - (J) Family education.
 - (K) Areas of content as approved by the board.
- (2) At least one (1) supervised practicum, internship, or field experience in an addiction counseling setting that requires the applicant to provide at least three hundred fifty (350) hours of addiction counseling services.
- (b) The content areas under subsection (a)(1) may be combined into any one (1) college level course.
- Ind. Code Ann. § 25-23.6-10.5-5 (West)

839 IAC 1-5.5-1 Educational requirements for addiction counselors

Sec. 1. (a) As used in IC 25-23.6-10.5-1, "a baccalaureate degree in addiction counseling or in a related area" means a degree earned in one

(1) of the following:

- (1) Addiction studies
- (2) Chemical dependency.
- (3) Social work.
- (4) Psychology.
- (5) Human services.
- (6) Human development.
- (7) Family relations.
- (8) Counseling.

(b) If an applicant is seeking licensure as an addiction counselor based upon a baccalaureate degree not listed in subsection (a), the applicant must provide the board with the following information:

- (1) Evidence that their degree program and any additional course work are equivalent to the criteria for a baccalaureate degree in addiction counseling as set forth in this section.
- (2) An official college transcript.
- (3) Appropriate certifications or affidavits from

university officials.

(4) Any additional supporting documentation as requested by the board.

(c) As used in IC 25-23.6-10.5-3, "eligible postsecondary educational institution" means a college or university that was accredited prior to the applicant's graduation or within two (2) years from the date of the applicant's graduation by one (1) of the following:

(1) New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

(2) Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

(3) North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

(4) Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges.

(5) Southern Association of Schools and Colleges.

(6) Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

(d) An applicant for licensure as an addiction counselor must show successful completion of the degree curriculum set forth in IC 25-23.6-10.5-5 with a minimum of forty (40) semester hours or sixty (60) quarter hours of course work in the following content areas:

(1) Addictions theory.

(2) Psychoactive drugs.

(3) Addictions counseling skills.

(4) Theories of personality.

(5) Developmental psychology.

(6) Abnormal psychology.

(7) Treatment planning.

(8) Cultural competency.

(9) Ethics and professional development.

(10) Family education.

If the course titles as stated on the transcript do not clearly reflect the course work content areas as listed in IC 25-23.6-10.5-5, the applicant must document the course or combination of courses in which the material was covered. At the discretion of the board, applicants may be required to provide further documentation, beyond an official transcript, to demonstrate that

submitted course work covered the required content areas.

(e) When evaluating an applicant's baccalaureate degree in addiction counseling or in a related area, the board shall consider, as factors in its evaluation, whether the degree granting program:

- (1) identifies itself as an addiction counseling program in its catalogs and brochures and demonstrates the program's intent to educate and train counselors in its advertising materials;
- (2) has an identifiable addiction counseling professional responsible for the program who has clear authority and primary responsibility for the core and specialty areas, whether or not the program cuts across administrative lines;
- (3) has an integrated and organized sequence of study;
- (4) has an identifiable body of students who are matriculated in that program for a degree;
- (5) includes a supervised practicum, internship, or field experience; and
- (6) the degree program practicum, internship, or field experience should be conducted in a setting focused on addiction counseling services under the auspices of an approved addiction counseling program.

(f) The required practicum, internship, or field experience listed in this section must have been primarily in the provision of direct addiction counseling services. This includes knowledge, skill, or experience derived from direct observations of, and participation in, the practice of addiction counseling. No course intended primarily for practice in the administration and grading of appraisal or assessment instruments shall count toward these clinical semester hour requirements.

(g) As used in IC 25-23.6-10.5-5, "supervised practice, internship, or field experience" means experience gained under an individual who is supervising within his or her scope of experience and training and holds an active license at the

time of the supervision as:

- (1) an addiction counselor;
 - (2) a clinical addiction counselor;
 - (3) a mental health counselor;
 - (4) a clinical social worker;
 - (5) a marriage and family therapist;
 - (6) a physician with training in psychiatric medicine;
 - (7) a psychologist;
 - (8) a clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric or mental health nursing; or
 - (9) another state-regulated addiction counseling professional or, if the experience was gained in a state where no regulation exists, by an addictions or behavioral health professional of equivalent status;
- who has at least three (3) years of experience in providing addiction services.

839 Ind. Admin. Code 1-5.5-1

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

350 hours of addiction counseling services in at least one supervised practicum, internship, or field experience

25-23.6-10.5-5 Educational requirements for applicant for addiction counselor license
Sec. 5. (a) An applicant under section 1 of this chapter must complete the following educational requirements:

- (2) At least one (1) supervised practicum, internship, or field experience in an addiction counseling setting that requires the applicant to provide at least three hundred fifty (350) hours of addiction counseling services.

Ind. Code Ann. § 25-23.6-10.5-5 (West)

839 IAC 1-5.5-1 Educational requirements for addiction counselors

Authority: IC 25-23.6-2-8

Affected: IC 25-23.6-10.5

Sec. 1.

(f) The required practicum, internship, or field experience listed in this section must have been primarily in the provision of direct addiction counseling services. This includes knowledge, skill, or experience derived from direct observations of, and participation in, the practice of addiction counseling. No course intended primarily for practice in the administration and grading of appraisal or assessment instruments shall count toward these clinical semester hour requirements.

(g) As used in IC 25-23.6-10.5-5, "supervised practice, internship, or field experience" means experience gained under an individual who is supervising within his or her scope of experience and training and holds an active license at the time of the supervision as:

- (1) an addiction counselor;
- (2) a clinical addiction counselor;
- (3) a mental health counselor;
- (4) a clinical social worker;
- (5) a marriage and family therapist;
- (6) a physician with training in psychiatric medicine;
- (7) a psychologist;
- (8) a clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric or mental health nursing; or
- (9) another state-regulated addiction counseling professional or, if the experience was gained in a state where no regulation exists, by an addictions or behavioral health professional of equivalent status; who has at least three (3) years of experience in providing addiction services.

839 Ind. Admin. Code 1-5.5-1

**Must Out-of-State
Program Graduate Hold
License to Qualify?**

No

**Must License Applicant
Hold Private Certification?**

No

**Additional Training (Not
Required In-Program)**

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

25-23.6-10.5-7 Experience requirements for applicant for addiction counselor license Sec. 7. (a) An applicant under section 1 of this chapter must have at least two (2) years of addiction counseling experience that must include at least one hundred fifty (150) hours under supervision, one hundred (100) hours of which must be under individual supervision and fifty (50) hours of which must be under group supervision. The supervision required must be provided by a qualified supervisor, as determined by the board.

(b) A doctoral internship, or a supervised master's level practicum, an internship, or field experience in addiction counseling, may be applied toward the supervised work experience requirement.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (d), the experience requirement may be met by work performed at or away from the premises of the qualified supervisor.

(d) Except as provided in subsection (e), the work requirement may not be performed away from the qualified supervisor's premises if:

(1) the work is the independent private practice of addiction counseling; and

(2) the work is not performed at a place that has the supervision of a qualified supervisor.

(e) Up to fifty percent (50%) of the supervised addiction counseling experience hours required under subsection (a) may be accounted for through virtual supervision by a qualified supervisor described in subsection (a).

Ind. Code Ann. § 25-23.6-10.5-7 (West)

839 IAC 1-5.5-2 Experience requirements for addiction counselors

Authority: IC 25-23.6-2-8

Affected: IC 25-23.6-10.5-7

Sec. 2. (a) As used in IC 25-23.6-10.5-7, "two (2) years of addiction counseling experience that must include at least one hundred fifty (150) hours under supervision" means experience

under approved supervision, acquired over not less than twenty-one (21) months and over not more than forty-eight (48) months, at any time subsequent to the date certified by the degree-granting institution as that on which all requirements for the baccalaureate degree have been completed. A doctoral student may accrue hours for this addiction counseling experience requirement during a doctoral internship.

(b) As used in IC 25-23.6-10.5-7, "qualified supervisor" means an individual who is supervising within his or her scope of experience and training and holds an active license at the time of supervision as:

- (1) a clinical addiction counselor;
- (2) a clinical social worker;
- (3) a marriage and family therapist;
- (4) a physician with training in psychiatric medicine;
- (5) a psychologist;
- (6) a clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric or mental health nursing; or
- (7) another state-regulated addiction counseling professional or, if the experience was gained in a state where no regulation exists, by an addictions or behavioral health professional of equivalent status; who has at least three (3) years of experience in providing addiction services.

839 Ind. Admin. Code 1-5.5-2

Exam(s) Required

The Board has adopted the Alcohol & Drug Counselor (ADC) examination administered by International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC & RC) utilized by the Indiana Counselors Association on Alcohol & Drug Abuse (ICAADA) and the National Certified Addiction Counselor - Level II (NCAC- II) administered by National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counsel – National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NAADAC-NCC AP) utilized by the Indiana Association for Addiction Professionals (IAAP). Applicants are required to pass either the ADC or

the Level II exam for licensure.

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Ind. Code Ann. § 25-23.6-1 (West)
Ind. Code Ann. § 25-23.6-10.1 (West)
839 Ind. Admin. Code 1-5.5

Notes

None

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State/Territory	Iowa
Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program) N/A

Exam(s) Required N/A

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation N/A

Notes The Iowa Board of Certification (IBC) is a private agency that offers International Alcohol and Drug Counselor (IADC) and International Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (IAADC) certifications.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT
The applicant must physically live and/or work in Iowa at least 51% of the time at the time of application for initial certification, recertification, and reactivation.

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State/Territory	Kansas
Board/Agency Name	Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board
Board/Agency Website	https://www.ksbsrb.ks.gov/professions/addiction-counselors
License Title	Licensed Clinical Addiction Counselor (LCAC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	Yes, by the National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC).
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, if program is not NASAC accredited
Specific Coursework	There is a residency requirement 102-7-3. Educational requirements. (a)(1) "Core faculty member" means an individual who is part of the teaching staff of a program covered by this regulation and who meets the following conditions: (A) Has education, training, and experience consistent with the individual's role within the program and consistent with the published description of the goals, philosophy, and educational purpose of the program; (B) has primary professional employment at the

institution in which the program is housed; and (C) is identified with the program and is centrally involved in program development, decision making, and student training as demonstrated by consistent inclusion of the individual's name in public and departmental documents.

(2) "In residence," when used to describe a student, means that the student is present at the physical location of the institution or at any other location approved by the board for the purpose of completing coursework, during which the student and one or more core faculty members, adjunct faculty members, or agency internship supervisors are in face-to-face contact.

(3) "Primary professional employment" means at least 20 hours each week of instruction, research, or any other service to the institution in the course of employment, and related administrative work.

(4) "Skill-based coursework" means those courses that allow students to work on basic helping skills including open-ended questions, clarification, interpretation, response to feelings, and summarization.

(f) To qualify for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor with a master's degree in addiction counseling or a master's degree in a related field that included all coursework requirements, the applicant shall hold one of the following:

(1) A master's degree in addiction counseling or a related field. When the degree was granted, the program met the standards approved by the board;

(2) a master's degree in addiction counseling or a related field, if the applicant began the program on or before May 1, 2011 and the master's degree is conferred on or before June 1, 2012 from a program that was approved by the Kansas department of social and rehabilitation services, division of addiction and prevention services; or

(3) a master's degree in addiction counseling or a related field. Part of the coursework completed for the master's degree shall be at least 30 graduate

semester credit hours, or the academic equivalent, supporting the diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders and shall meet the coursework requirements in subsection (g).

(g) Each applicant for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor shall have satisfactorily completed formal academic coursework that contributes to the development of a broad conceptual framework for addiction counseling theory and practice. This formal academic coursework shall be distributed across the substantive content areas specified in this subsection. For applicants who graduate on or after July 1, 2013, half of all skill-based coursework shall be completed while the student is in residence, as defined in this regulation. A maximum of three graduate semester hours, or the academic equivalent, may be completed in independent study. There shall be at least three discrete and unduplicated graduate semester hours, or the academic equivalent, in each of the following content areas:

- (1) Addiction and recovery services, which shall include the study and critical analysis of philosophies and theories of addiction and scientifically supported models of prevention, intervention, treatment, and recovery for addiction and other substance-related problems;
- (2) advanced methods of individual and group counseling, which shall include the study of practical skills related to evidence-based, culturally informed individual and group counseling techniques and strategies designed to facilitate therapeutic relationships and the educational and psychosocial development of clients as specifically related to their addiction;
- (3) advanced pharmacology and substance use disorders, which shall include the study of the pharmacological properties and effects of psychoactive substances; physiological, behavioral, psychological, and social effects of psychoactive substances; drug interactions; medication-assisted addiction treatment; and

pharmacological issues related to co-occurring disorders treated with prescription psychotropic medications;

(4) integrative treatment of co-occurring disorders, which shall include the study of the relationship between addiction and co-occurring mental or physical disorders or other conditions and evidenced-based models for the screening, assessment, and collaborative treatment of co-occurring disorders;

(5) assessment and diagnosis, which shall include the study of a comprehensive clinical assessment process that addresses age, gender, disability, and cultural issues; the signs, symptoms, and diagnostic criteria used to establish substance use-disorder diagnoses; and the relationship between diagnosis, treatment, and recovery;

(6) professional ethics and practice, which shall include the study of professional codes of ethics and ethical decision making; client privacy rights and confidentiality; legal responsibilities and liabilities of clinical supervision; and professional identity and development issues;

(7) applied research, which shall include the study of the purposes and techniques of behavioral sciences research, including qualitative and quantitative approaches, research methodology, data collection and analysis, electronic research skills, outcome evaluation, critical evaluation and interpretation of professional research reports, and practical applications of research. A maximum of three semester hours, or the academic equivalent, may be completed in thesis or independent research courses;

(8) practicum or its equivalent, which shall meet the following requirements:

(A) Be a clinical experience that integrates didactic learning supporting the diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders;

(B) include at least 300 hours of client contact; and

(C) provide at least one hour of supervision for every 10 hours of client contact. Supervision shall

be provided by the program's faculty and agency supervisors, at least one of whom shall be licensed at the clinical level by the board; and (9) six additional graduate semester hours of academic coursework that contributes to the development of advanced knowledge or skills in addiction counseling, supervision, or research.

(h) To qualify for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor with a master's degree in a related field with additional coursework in addiction counseling, the following requirements shall be met:

(1) The college or university at which the applicant completed a master's degree in a related field shall be regionally accredited with accreditation standards equivalent to those met by Kansas colleges and universities.

(2) The applicant shall meet the coursework requirements in subsection (g).

(3) The program through which the applicant obtained additional coursework in addiction counseling shall meet the standards approved by the board as specified in subsections (i) and (j).

(i) In order to be approved by the board, each addiction counseling program or related-field program, except the related-field degree listed in paragraphs (d)(1) and (h)(1), shall meet the following conditions:

(1) Have established program admission requirements that are based, in part or in full, on objective measures or standardized achievement tests and measures;

(2) offer education and training in addiction counseling, one goal of which is to prepare students for the practice of addiction counseling;

(3) require an established curriculum that encompasses at least one academic year of study for a baccalaureate degree or two academic years of study for a master's degree;

(4) have clear administrative authority and primary responsibility within the program for the core and specialty areas of training in addiction counseling;

- (5) have an established, organized, and comprehensive sequence of study that is planned by administrators who are responsible for providing an integrated educational experience in addiction counseling;
- (6) for a master's degree program, be coordinated or directed by an identifiable person who holds a graduate degree that was earned from a regionally accredited college or university upon that person's actual completion of a formal academic training program;
- (7) have an identifiable, full-time core faculty member who holds an earned graduate degree in addiction counseling or a related field;
- (8) have an established, identifiable body of students who are formally enrolled in the program with the goal of obtaining coursework for the concentration in the study of addiction counseling;
- (9) require the student's major advisor to be a member of the program faculty;
- (10) require each student to complete the institution's requirements for the number of credit hours that must be completed at that institution and to satisfactorily complete an addiction counseling practicum or its equivalent that is provided by the program from which the student completes the concentration in the study of addiction counseling. The required practicum shall meet the following requirements:
 - (A) Accept as practicum students only applicants enrolled in the addiction counseling or related-field program;
 - (B) provide the majority of supervision by an individual who is licensed at the clinical level by the board;
 - (C) exist as a distinct and organized program that is clearly recognizable within an institution or agency, as well as in pertinent public, official documents issued by the institution or agency, and that is clearly recognizable as a training program for addiction counselors;
 - (D) identify students as being in training and not as staff members; and

(E) be an integrated and formally organized training experience, not an after-the-fact tabulation of experience; and

(11) conduct an ongoing, objective review and evaluation of each student's learning and progress and report this evaluation in the official student transcripts.

(j) In order to be approved by the board, each addiction counseling program or related-field program, except the related-field degree listed in paragraphs (d)(1) and (h)(1), shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Be regionally accredited, with accreditation standards equivalent to those met by Kansas colleges and universities;

(2) document in official publications, including course catalogs and announcements, the program description and standards and the admission requirements for the addiction counseling or related-field education and training program;

(3) identify and clearly describe in pertinent institutional catalogs the coursework, experiential, and other academic program requirements that must be satisfied before conferral of the degree;

(4) clearly identify and specify in pertinent institutional catalogs the intent to educate and train addiction counselors;

(5) have clearly established the addiction counselor or related-field education program as a coherent entity within the college or university that, when the applicant's degree was conferred, met the program standards in subsection (i);

(6) have conferred the degree upon the applicant's successful completion of an established and required formal program of studies; and

(7) have a library and equipment and resources available that are adequate for the size of the student body and the scope of the program offered.

(k) The following types of study shall not be substituted for or counted toward the coursework requirements of this regulation:

(1) Academic coursework that has been audited

- rather than graded;
 - (2) academic coursework for which the applicant received an incomplete or failing grade;
 - (3) coursework that the board determines is not closely related to the field or practice of addiction counseling;
 - (4) coursework or training provided by any college, university, institute, or training program that does not meet the requirements of subsections (i) and (j); and
 - (5) any continuing education, in-service activity, or on-the-job training.
- Kan. Admin. Regs. 102-7-3

Each of the following terms, as used in this article of the board's regulations, shall have the meaning specified in this regulation:

(a) "Academic equivalent of a semester credit hour," when used in K.A.R. 102-7-3, means the prorated proportionate credit for formal academic coursework if that coursework is completed on the basis of trimester or quarter hours rather than semester hours.

(w) "Semester credit hour," when used in K.A.R. 102-7-3, means at least 13 clock-hours of formal, didactic classroom instruction that occurred over the course of an academic semester and for which the applicant received formal academic credit.

Kan. Admin. Regs. 102-7-1

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

(h) To qualify for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor with a master's degree in a related field with additional coursework in addiction counseling, the following requirements shall be met:

(1) The college or university at which the applicant completed a master's degree in a related field shall be regionally accredited with accreditation standards equivalent to those met by Kansas colleges and universities.

(2) The applicant shall meet the coursework requirements in subsection (g).

(3) The program through which the applicant

obtained additional coursework in addiction counseling shall meet the standards approved by the board as specified in subsections (i) and (j).
Kan. Admin. Regs. 102-7-3

**Supervised Experience
(In-Program)**

300 hours

(g) (8) practicum or its equivalent, which shall meet the following requirements:

(A) Be a clinical experience that integrates didactic learning supporting the diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders;

(B) include at least 300 hours of client contact; and

(C) provide at least one hour of supervision for every 10 hours of client contact. Supervision shall be provided by the program's faculty and agency supervisors, at least one of whom shall be licensed at the clinical level by the board;

(h) To qualify for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor with a master's degree in a related field with additional coursework in addiction counseling, the following requirements shall be met:

(1) The college or university at which the applicant completed a master's degree in a related field shall be regionally accredited with accreditation standards equivalent to those met by Kansas colleges and universities.

(2) The applicant shall meet the coursework requirements in subsection (g).

(3) The program through which the applicant obtained additional coursework in addiction counseling shall meet the standards approved by the board as specified in subsections (i) and (j).

(i) In order to be approved by the board, each addiction counseling program or related-field program, except the related-field degree listed in paragraphs (d)(1) and (h)(1), shall meet the following conditions:

(10) require each student to complete the institution's requirements for the number of credit hours that must be completed at that institution and to satisfactorily complete an addiction counseling practicum or its equivalent that is

provided by the program from which the student completes the concentration in the study of addiction counseling. The required practicum shall meet the following requirements:

(A) Accept as practicum students only applicants enrolled in the addiction counseling or related-field program;

(B) provide the majority of supervision by an individual who is licensed at the clinical level by the board;

(C) exist as a distinct and organized program that is clearly recognizable within an institution or agency, as well as in pertinent public, official documents issued by the institution or agency, and that is clearly recognizable as a training program for addiction counselors;

(D) identify students as being in training and not as staff members; and

(E) be an integrated and formally organized training experience, not an after-the-fact tabulation of experience; and

(11) conduct an ongoing, objective review and evaluation of each student's learning and progress and report this evaluation in the official student transcripts.

Kan. Admin. Regs. 102-7-3

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

Decreased from 4,000 to 3,000 hours - direct client contact hours remain at 1,500.

102-7-6. Professional postgraduate supervised experience requirement for a clinical addiction counselor.

For each applicant for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor, the postgraduate supervised

professional experience of addiction counseling shall meet all of the following requirements:

(a) The postgraduate supervised professional experience of addiction counseling shall consist of 3,000 hours of professional experience, including 1,500 hours of direct client contact conducting substance abuse assessments and treatment.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), one hour of clinical supervision shall be provided throughout the entirety of the postgraduate supervised professional experience for each 15 hours of direct client contact. Unless extenuating circumstances are approved by the board, all supervision shall be conducted face-to-face either in person or, if confidentiality is technologically protected, by synchronous videoconferencing, as follows:

(1) At least 50 hours of individual clinical supervision occurring with the supervisor and supervisee;

(2) up to 50 hours of clinical group supervision with one supervisor and no more than six supervisees; and

(3) meet for at least one hour two times per month, at least one of which shall be individual supervision.

(c) Each applicant with a doctor's degree in addiction counseling or a related field as defined in K.A.R. 102-7-1 shall be required to complete, after the doctoral degree is granted, at least one-half of the postgraduate supervised professional experience requirements as follows:

(1) At least 25 hours of individual clinical supervision occurring with the supervisor and supervisee;

(2) up to 25 hours of clinical supervision with one supervisor and no more than six supervisees; and

(3) at least two separate clinical supervision sessions per month, at least one of which shall be individual supervision.

(d) The clinical supervisor of each person attaining the 3,000 hours of postgraduate supervised professional experience required for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor shall meet one of the

following requirements while the individual is providing supervision:

(1) The clinical supervisor shall be a clinical addiction counselor who is licensed in Kansas or is certified or licensed in another jurisdiction and, on and after January 1, 2014, who has engaged in the independent practice of clinical addiction counseling, including the diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders, for at least two years beyond the supervisor's certification or licensure date as a clinical addiction counselor.

(2) The clinical supervisor shall be a person who is certified or licensed at the graduate level to practice in one of the behavioral sciences and whose authorized scope of practice permits the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders independently. The qualifying individual shall have had at least two years of clinical professional experience beyond the date of the supervisor's certification or licensure.

(e) In addition to the requirements of subsection (d), each clinical supervisor shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Have professional authority over and responsibility for the supervisee's clinical functioning in the practice of addiction counseling;

(2) not have a harmful dual relationship with the supervisee;

(3) not be under any sanction from a disciplinary proceeding, unless the board waives this prohibition for good cause shown by the proposed supervisor;

(4) have knowledge of and experience with the supervisee's client population;

(5) have knowledge of and experience with the methods of practice that the supervisee employs;

(6) have an understanding of the organization and the administrative policies and procedures of the supervisee's practice setting; and

(7) be a member of the practice setting staff or meet the requirements of subsection (f).

(f) If a qualified clinical supervisor is not available from among staff in the supervisee's practice

setting, the supervisee may secure an otherwise qualified clinical supervisor outside the practice setting if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The supervisor has an understanding of the practice setting's mission, policies, and procedures.

(2) The extent of the supervisor's responsibility for the supervisee is clearly defined in terms of client cases to be supervised, role in personnel evaluation within the practice setting, and other aspects of the clinical supervision training plan.

(3) The responsibility for payment for supervision is clearly defined.

(4) If the supervisee pays the supervisor directly for the supervision, the supervisor maintains responsibility for the client and to the practice setting.

Kan. Admin. Regs. 102-7-6

amended 41 Kan. Reg. 1756, eff. Dec. 16, 2022.

102-7-1. Definitions.

Each of the following terms, as used in this article of the board's regulations, shall have the meaning specified in this regulation:

(g) "Direct client contact" means the provision of addiction counseling services to a client or clients in an individual, family, or group format with interaction being conducted in person or remotely with real-time, two-way interactive audio, visual, or audiovisual communications, including the application of videoconferencing, in which confidentiality is protected. Interaction that includes electronic mail, instant messaging, texting, or facsimile shall not be considered direct client contact.

Kan. Admin. Regs. 102-7-1

amended 41 Kan. Reg. 1756, eff. Dec. 16, 2022.

Effective: July 1, 2023

K.S.A. 65-6610

Formerly cited as KS ST 65-6602

65-6610. Application for licensure; requirements

(c) Applications for licensure as a clinical addiction

counselor shall be made to the board on a form and in the manner prescribed by the board. Each applicant shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant:

(1) Has attained 21 years of age;

(2)(A)(i) has completed at least a master's degree from an addiction counseling program that is part of a college or university approved by the board; and

(ii) has completed not less than two years of postgraduate supervised professional experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan approved by the board of not less than 3,000 hours of supervised professional experience, including at least 1,500 hours of direct client contact conducting substance abuse assessments and treatment with individuals, couples, families or groups and not less than 100 hours of face-to-face clinical supervision, as defined by the board in rules and regulations, including not less than 50 hours of individual supervision, except that the board may waive the requirement that such supervision be face-to-face upon a finding of extenuating circumstances, integrating diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders with use of the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders of the American psychiatric association, except that the board may waive 1/2 of the hours required by this clause for an individual who has a doctoral degree in addiction counseling or a related field approved by the board and who completes the required 1/2 of the hours in not less than one year of supervised professional experience; or

(B)(i) has completed at least a master's degree from a college or university approved by the board. As part of or in addition to the master's degree coursework, such applicant shall also complete a minimum number of semester hours of coursework supporting the diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders as approved by the board; and

(ii) has completed not less than two years of

postgraduate supervised professional experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan approved by the board of not less than 3,000 hours of supervised professional experience, including at least 1,500 hours of direct client contact conducting substance abuse assessments and treatment with individuals, couples, families or groups and not less than 100 hours of face-to-face clinical supervision, as defined by the board in rules and regulations, including not less than 50 hours of individual supervision, except that the board may waive the requirement that such supervision be face-to-face upon a finding of extenuating circumstances, integrating diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders with use of the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders of the American psychiatric association, except that the board may waive 1/2 of the hours required by this clause for an individual who has a doctoral degree in addiction counseling or a related field approved by the board and who completes the required 1/2 of the hours in not less than one year of supervised professional experience; or

(C)(i) has completed a master's degree from a college or university approved by the board and is licensed by the board as a licensed master's addiction counselor; and

(ii) has completed not less than two years of postgraduate supervised professional experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan approved by the board of not less than 3,000 hours of supervised professional experience, including at least 1,500 hours of direct client contact conducting substance abuse assessments and treatment with individuals, couples, families or groups and not less than 100 hours of face-to-face clinical supervision, as defined by the board in rules and regulations, including not less than 50 hours of individual supervision, except that the board may waive the requirement that such supervision be face-to-face upon a finding of extenuating circumstances, integrating diagnosis

and treatment of substance use disorders with use of the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders of the American psychiatric association, except that the board may waive 1/2 of the hours required by this clause for an individual who has a doctoral degree in addiction counseling or a related field approved by the board and who completes the required 1/2 of the hours in not less than one year of supervised professional experience; or

(D) is currently licensed in Kansas as a licensed psychologist, licensed specialist clinical social worker, licensed clinical professional counselor, licensed clinical psychotherapist or licensed clinical marriage and family therapist and provides to the board an attestation from a professional licensed to diagnose and treat mental disorders, or substance use disorders, or both, in independent practice or licensed to practice medicine and surgery stating that the applicant is competent to diagnose and treat substance use disorders;
Kan. Stat. Ann. § 65-6610 (West)

Exam(s) Required

The National Association for Addiction Professionals (NAADAC) MAC exam

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Kan. Stat. Ann. § 65-6607 (West)
Kan. Admin. Regs. 102-7

Notes

65-6610. Application for licensure; requirements (c) Applications for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor shall be made to the board on a form and in the manner prescribed by the board. Each applicant shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant:

- (1) Has attained 21 years of age;
- (2)(A)(i) has completed at least a master's degree from an addiction counseling program that is part of a college or university approved by the board; and
- (ii) has completed not less than two years of postgraduate supervised professional experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan approved by the board of not less than 3,000

hours of supervised professional experience, including at least 1,500 hours of direct client contact conducting substance abuse assessments and treatment with individuals, couples, families or groups and not less than 100 hours of face-to-face clinical supervision, as defined by the board in rules and regulations, including not less than 50 hours of individual supervision, except that the board may waive the requirement that such supervision be face-to-face upon a finding of extenuating circumstances, integrating diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders with use of the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders of the American psychiatric association, except that the board may waive 1/2 of the hours required by this clause for an individual who has a doctoral degree in addiction counseling or a related field approved by the board and who completes the required 1/2 of the hours in not less than one year of supervised professional experience;

Kan. Stat. Ann. § 65-6610 (West)


Last Reviewed Date

9/30/2023

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Update Date	State/Territory	License Type	License Title	Update Made
9/21/2023	Kansas	Alcohol and Drug	Licensed Clinical	Decreased professional

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State/Territory	Kentucky
Board/Agency Name	Kentucky Board of Alcohol and Drug Counselors
Board/Agency Website	https://adc.ky.gov/
License Title	Licensed Clinical Alcohol and Drug Counselor
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	309.0832 Requirements for licensure as a licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor An applicant for licensure as a licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor shall pay the board the initial fee for licensure, and shall: (1) Be at least eighteen (18) years of age; (2) Have obtained from a regionally accredited college or university or a college or university accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education: (a) A sixty (60) hour master's degree in a

behavioral science with clinical application;
(b) A thirty (30) hour advanced placement master's degree in a behavioral science with clinical application; or
(c) A doctoral degree in a behavioral science with clinical application;
(3) Meet all education and supervision requirements of the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium for the Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC);
Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 309.0832 (West)

Classroom hours includes face-to-face ethics training

Section 1. (5) Licensure.

(a) An applicant seeking licensure as a licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor or associate shall:

1. Complete 180 classroom hours of curriculum that are specifically related to the knowledge and skills necessary to perform the following alcohol and drug counselor competencies and shall include the following domains:

- a. Screening assessment and engagement;
 - b. Treatment planning, collaboration, and referral;
 - c. Counseling; and
 - d. Professional and ethical responsibilities;
- and

2. File with the board KBADC Form 11, Verification of Classroom Training.

(b) A minimum of six (6) hours of the total 180 hours shall be interactive, face-to-face ethics training relating to counseling.

(c) Two (2) hours of the total 180 hours shall be specific to transmission, control, and treatment of the human immunodeficiency virus and other sexually transmitted diseases.

(d) Three (3) hours of the total 180 hours shall be specific to domestic violence.

Section 2. (1) Attendance at conferences, workshops, seminars, or in-service training related to addictions shall be acceptable to meet the requirements of Section 1 of this administrative regulation if the board determines that the activity:

(a) Is an organized program of learning;
(b) Covers an area listed in Section 1 of this administrative regulation; and
(c) Is conducted by a competent instructor, as documented by appropriate academic training, professional licensure or certification, or professionally recognized experience.

(2) One (1) semester hour of study from an accredited college or university credit shall equal fifteen (15) classroom hours.

(3) Publication on a subject relevant to addictions therapy may be submitted to the board. Credit shall be granted as established in this subsection.

(a) A chapter in a book shall be equivalent to ten (10) classroom hours.

(b)1. Authoring or editing a book relevant to addictions therapy shall be given credit equivalent to thirty (30) classroom hours.

2. An applicant shall submit a copy of the title page, table of contents, and bibliography.

(c)1. Publication in a professional refereed journal shall be equivalent to fifteen (15) classroom hours.

2. An applicant shall submit the journal table of contents and a copy of the article as it appeared in the journal including bibliography.

Section 3. (1) A list of courses the applicant wishes to have considered shall be organized by domains as established in Section 1 of this administrative regulation and shall include documentation to verify that the course satisfies the requirements of that section.

(2) Appropriate documentation of the course shall include:

- (a) Date;
- (b) Title;
- (c) Description;
- (d) Sponsoring organization;
- (e) Presenter and presenter's credentials;
- (f) Number of contact hours attended; and
- (g) Certificates of attendance or transcript.

Section 4. Incorporation by Reference. (1) The following material is incorporated by reference:

- (a) "KBADC Form 5, Peer Support Specialist Alcohol/Drug Training Verification Form", March 2021;
- (b) "KBADC Form 10, Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor and Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor Verification of Classroom Training", July 2021;
- (c) "KBADC Form 11, Verification of Classroom Training", March 2021;
- (d) "KBADC Form 20, Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor Associate I, Verification of Board-Approved Training", March 2021;
- (e) "KBADC Form 21, Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor Associate I, Verification of Board-Approved Training for First Twelve (12) Months After Initial Certification as Associate I"; March 2021; and
- (f) "KBADC Form 22, Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor Associate II Verification of Board-Approved Curriculum", March 2021.

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201 Ky. Admin. Regs. 35:050

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

Completed at least six (6) hours of ethics training; three (3) hours of domestic violence training; and two (2) hours of training in the transmission, control, treatment, and prevention of the human immunodeficiency virus

Have complied with the requirements for the training program in suicide assessment, treatment, and management in KRS 210.366

210.366 Training program in suicide assessment, treatment, and management; administrative regulations

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Board" means the Kentucky Board of Social Work, Kentucky Board of Licensure of Marriage and Family Therapists, Kentucky Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, Kentucky Board of Licensure for Pastoral Counselors, Kentucky Board of Alcohol and Drug Counselors, Kentucky Board of Examiners of Psychology, and Kentucky Board of Licensure for Occupational Therapy; and

(b) "Training program in suicide assessment, treatment, and management" means an empirically supported training program approved by the boards that contains suicide assessment including screening and referral, suicide treatment, and suicide management. A board may approve a training program that excludes one (1) of the elements if the element is inappropriate for the profession in question or inappropriate for the level of

licensure or credentialing of that profession based on the profession's scope of practice. A training program that includes only screening and referral elements shall be at least three (3) hours in length. All other training programs approved under this section shall be at least six (6) hours in length.

(2) Beginning January 1, 2015, each of the following professionals certified or licensed under KRS Title XXVI shall, at least once every six (6) years, complete a training program in suicide assessment, treatment, and management that is approved, in administrative regulations, by the respective boards:

(a) A social worker, marriage and family therapist, professional counselor, or pastoral counselor certified or licensed under KRS Chapter 335;

(b) An alcohol and drug counselor licensed or certified under KRS Chapter 309, and an alcohol and drug peer support specialist registered under KRS Chapter 309;

(c) A psychologist licensed or certified under KRS Chapter 319; and

(d) An occupational therapist licensed under KRS Chapter 319A.

(3) (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, a professional listed in subsection (2) of this section must complete the first training required by this section by July 2016.

(b) A professional listed in subsection (2) of this section applying for initial licensure, registration, or certification on or after June 25, 2013, may delay completion of the first training required by this section for six (6) years after initial licensure, registration, or certification if he or she can demonstrate successful completion of a six (6) hour academic training program in suicide assessment, treatment, and management

that:

1. Was completed no more than six (6) years prior to the application for initial licensure, registration, or certification; and
2. Is listed on the best practices registry of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and the Suicide Prevention Resource Center.

(4) The hours spent completing a training program in suicide assessment, treatment, and management under this section count toward meeting any applicable continuing education requirements for each profession.

(5) A board may, by administrative regulation, specify minimum training and experience that is sufficient to exempt a professional from the training requirements in subsection (2) of this section.

(6) (a) The cabinet shall develop a model list of training programs in suicide assessment, treatment, and management.

(b) When developing the model list, the cabinet shall:

1. Consider suicide assessment, treatment, and management training programs of at least six (6) hours in length listed on the best practices registry of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and the Suicide Prevention Resource Center; and
2. Consult with the boards, public and private institutions of higher education, experts in suicide assessment, treatment, and management, and affected professional associations.

(c) The cabinet shall report the model list of training programs to the Interim Joint Committee on Health and Welfare no later than December 15, 2014.

(7) Nothing in this section may be interpreted to expand or limit the scope of practice of any profession regulated under KRS Title XXVI.

(8) The cabinet and the boards affected by

this section shall adopt any administrative regulations necessary to implement this section.

Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 210.366 (West)

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

Section 1. Substitution for Work Experience for an Applicant for Certification as an Alcohol and Drug Counselor under KRS 309.083 or a licensed alcohol and drug counselor under KRS 309.0830. (1) An applicant may substitute, for part of the work experience, a degree in a related field such as:

- (a) Addictions;
- (b) Counseling;
- (c) Psychology;
- (d) Psychiatric nursing; or
- (e) Social work.

(2) An applicant may request to substitute an educational degree for part of the required work experience by submitting KBADC Form 12, Workplace Experience Substitution Request, to the board along with transcripts from an accredited college or university.

(3) Educational substitution shall be reviewed and approved by the board based upon education relative to the delivery of alcohol and other drug counseling.

(a) A master's degree or higher in a related field, with a specialization in addictions or drug and alcohol counseling, may be substituted for 4,000 hours of work experience.

(b) A master's degree or higher in a related field, without the specialization in paragraph (a) of this subsection, may be substituted for 3,000 hours of work experience.

(c) A bachelor's degree in a related field may be substituted for 2,000 hours of work experience.

(d) A bachelor's degree in an unrelated field shall not qualify for a substitution of hours, and the applicant shall provide proof of

6,000 hours of work experience as established in KRS 309.083(3).
(4) The hours of work experience shall be documented on the candidate's application for certification and shall contain verification by the supervisor.
Section 2. Incorporation by Reference. (1) "KBADC Form 12, Workplace Experience Substitution Request", June 2021, is incorporated by reference.
(2) This material may be inspected, copied, or obtained, subject to applicable copyright law, at the Kentucky Board of Alcohol and Drug Counselors, 500 Mero St, 2 SC 32, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The board's Web site address is: <https://adc.ky.gov>.
201 Ky. Admin. Regs. 35:075

Exam(s) Required

The comprehensive examination offered by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium.

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 309.080 (West)
201 Ky. Admin. Regs. 35:

Notes

309.0832 Requirements for licensure as a licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor
An applicant for licensure as a licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor shall pay the board the initial fee for licensure, and shall:
(1) Be at least eighteen (18) years of age;
(2) Have obtained from a regionally accredited college or university or a college or university accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education:
(a) A sixty (60) hour master's degree in a behavioral science with clinical application;
(b) A thirty (30) hour advanced placement master's degree in a behavioral science with clinical application; or
(c) A doctoral degree in a behavioral science

with clinical application;
(3) Meet all education and supervision requirements of the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium for the Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC);
(4) Have passed a written examination as specified by the board in administrative regulation;
(5) Have signed an agreement to abide by the standards of practice and code of ethics approved by the board;
(6) Have completed at least six (6) hours of ethics training; three (3) hours of domestic violence training; and two (2) hours training in the transmission, control, treatment, and prevention of the human immunodeficiency virus, in addition to the educational requirements in subsection (2) of this section;
(7) Have submitted two (2) letters of reference from certified alcohol and drug counselors or licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselors;
(8) Live or work at least a majority of the time in Kentucky; and
(9) Have complied with the requirements for the training program in suicide assessment, treatment, and management in KRS 210.366 and any administrative regulations promulgated thereunder.
Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 309.0832 (West)

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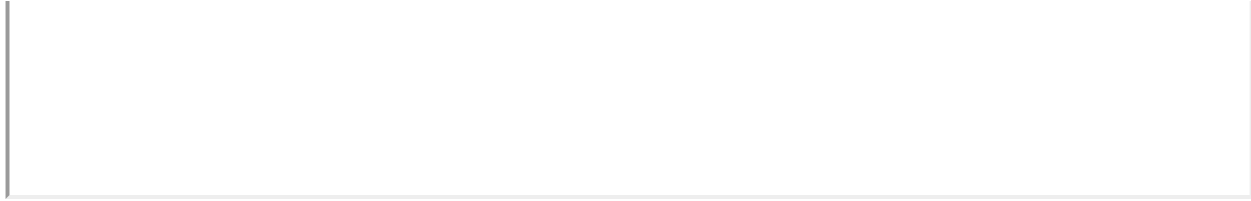
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State/Territory	Louisiana
Board/Agency Name	Louisiana Addictive Disorder Regulatory Authority (LA-ADRA)
Board/Agency Website	https://la-adra.org/
License Title	Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>From the Board's website FAQ: Has successfully completed 300 clock hours of education approved by the ADRA. 180 of these hours must be specific to substance abuse treatment. 114 hours may be related, but are subject to approval by the ADRA. 6 hours must be in professional ethics.</p> <p>§ 701. Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC) A. The ADRA shall recognize as a LAC each candidate who make application on the forms required by the ADRA and who: 8. provides evidence of having satisfied the</p>

following requirements in education, supervised practical training and experience:

a. education--has successfully completed a minimum of 270 clock hours of education with a minimum of 180 hours specific to substance abuse and up to 90 hours in related courses or areas of study. Education is defined as formal, structured instruction in the form of work shops, seminars, institutes, in-services, college/university credit courses and distance education. Of the substance abuse specific hours required by this provision, at least 6 hours must be in professional ethics. The professional ethics hours may not be obtained through "in service" training;

46 La. Admin. Code Pt LXXX, 701

E. The board shall recognize as a licensed addiction counselor each candidate who:

(1) Possesses a master's degree from an accredited institution of higher education.

The degree shall be in a human services or behavioral science discipline, or such other discipline or disciplines as the board may deem appropriate.

La. Stat. Ann. § 37:3387

From the Board's website FAQ:

What Human Services/Behavioral Science

Degrees are acceptable to the ADRA?

Degrees must be obtained from an in

institution accredited by the Regional

Association of Colleges and Schools.

Addiction Studies

Behavioral Science

Public Health

Public Policy/Administration

Health Administration

Social Work

Psychology

Counseling

Sociology

Criminal Justice
Educational Counseling
Rehabilitation Counseling

Please note that degrees comparable or related to the above will be considered based upon the coursework outlined in the curriculum as reviewed by the ADRA. Any person seeking to be recognized as an LAC or CAC who possesses a master's and/or bachelor's degree in a discipline other than human service or behavioral science may apply to the ADRA for a waiver. In considering the application for waiver, the ADRA consults with the IC & RC representative for guidance. In addition to the outlined requirements, 3 years (6000 hours) of work experience are required in addition to the non-human services degree.

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

§ 701. Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC)
A. The ADRA shall recognize as a LAC each candidate who make application on the forms required by the ADRA and who:
8. provides evidence of having satisfied the following requirements in education, supervised practical training and experience:
b. supervised practical training--has successfully completed a minimum 300 performance hours in the KSA's/12 core functions (with a minimum of 10 hours in

each core function or KSA equivalent). The candidate shall document and verify the performance hours on a form required by the ADRA. Training is defined as a formal systematic process that focuses on skill development and integration of knowledge. The training must take place in a setting where addictive disorder counseling is provided. The training may occur as part of eligible work experience (see Subparagraph c below) and may be completed under more than one supervisor or agency. All training hours must be documented and verified;

c. experience--documents and verifies evidence of having successfully completed 2,000 hours (one year) of supervised work experience providing addictive disorder counseling services. Supervised work experience must be paid or voluntary experience as a counselor who provides direct counseling services to individuals diagnosed as having one or more addictive disorders, at least one of which is alcohol or substance abuse related. Supervised work experience must be in the KSA's and 12 core functions with substance abuse clients. Unsupervised work experience will not be considered. The supervision required herein must be provided by a certified clinical supervisor with a minimum of one contact hour per week. In the event a certified clinical supervisor is unavailable, the individual may apply to the ADRA for a waiver;

46 La. Admin. Code Pt LXXX, 701

Exam(s) Required

IC&RC Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC) Examination

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

La. Stat. Ann. § T. 37, Ch. 50-A
46 La. Admin. Code Pt LXXX, 101

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None

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State/Territory	Maine
Board/Agency Name	Maine State Board of Alcohol and Drug Counselors
Board/Agency Website	https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/adc
License Title	Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor (LADC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>2. Higher Education</p> <p>An applicant who applies for licensure on the basis of higher education pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. §6214-D(1)(D)(2) or (3) shall submit evidence of an associate degree, bachelor degree or higher from an institution of higher education that has been accredited by a regional institutional accrediting agency or a national institutional or specialized accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education. The degree shall be in clinically based behavioral sciences or addiction counseling, or in one of the following related fields: social and behavioral sciences; social work; childhood development; education and human development; mental health and human services; nursing, psychology; psychology/educational psychology; or rehabilitation services.</p> <p>Code Me. R. tit. 02-384 Ch. 5,, § 2</p> <p>§ 6214-D. Licensed alcohol and drug counselor; qualification for licensure</p> <p>1.1 Eligibility. To be eligible to practice as a licensed alcohol and drug counselor, an applicant must:</p>

- A. Be at least 18 years of age;
 - B. Have taken and passed an examination as prescribed by board rule;
 - C. Have paid an application and license fee under section 6215; and
 - D. Meet one of the following requirements:
 - (1) Complete 2,000 hours of documented supervised practice in alcohol and drug counseling as a certified alcohol and drug counselor;
 - (2) Possess an associate or bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in clinically based behavioral sciences or addiction counseling or a related field as defined by board rule, complete course work as defined by board rule and complete a minimum of 4,000 hours of documented supervised practice in alcohol and drug counseling, except that an applicant who holds a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university that meets the requirements of this subparagraph and who has completed at least 18 credit hours of course work in addiction counseling need only complete a minimum of 2,000 hours of documented supervised practice in alcohol and drug counseling; or
 - (3) Possess a master's degree from an accredited college or university in clinically based behavioral sciences or addiction counseling or a related field as defined by board rule, complete course work as defined by board rule and complete a minimum of 2,000 hours of documented supervised practice in alcohol and drug counseling, except that an applicant who holds a master's degree from an accredited college or university that meets the requirements of this subparagraph and who has completed at least 12 credit hours of course work in addiction counseling need only complete a minimum of 1,500 hours of documented supervised practice in alcohol and drug counseling.
- Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 32, § 6214-D

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	Yes, as indicated
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	No
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	No
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	None found
Experience (After Graduating/Outside of	§ 6214-D. Licensed alcohol and drug counselor; qualification for licensure

Program)

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- Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 32, § 6214-D

3. Work Experience

The applicant shall submit evidence of 1 hour of supervision for each 20 hours of direct client contact in connection with the documented supervised practice in alcohol and drug counseling required by 32 M.R.S.A. §6214-D(1)(D). Work experience and supervision shall be verified by an affidavit signed by the applicant and the clinical supervisor under whose supervision the work was performed, or a successor. The affidavit shall include the dates of employment and the duties and responsibilities of the position.

Code Me. R. tit. 02-384 Ch. 5,, § 3

Exam(s) Required

IC&RC ADC and Advanced ADC examinations or IC&RC ADC and CPM (Case Oral) examinations.

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 32, Ch. 81 Code Me. R. § 02-384 Ch. 1
Notes	None
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State/Territory	Maryland
Board/Agency Name	Maryland State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists
Board/Agency Website	https://health.maryland.gov/bopc/Pages/index.aspx
License Title	Certified Associate Counselor-Alcohol and Drug (CAC-AD)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	.07 Certified Associate Counselor-Alcohol and Drug. C. To qualify for certification as a certified associate counselor-alcohol and drug (CAC-AD) an applicant shall have: (1) At a minimum: (a) A bachelor's degree from an accredited educational institution in a health and human services counseling field; or (b) A bachelor's degree and have completed a program of studies determined by the Board to be substantially equivalent in subject matter with a

minimum of 45 credit hours in counseling, including the required alcohol and drug course work for the level of certification sought, as specified in § C(2) of this regulation;

(2) Completed a minimum of 33 semester credit hours or 50 quarter credit hours in alcohol and drug counselor training from an accredited educational institution including:

(a) 3 semester credit hours or 5 quarter credit hours of course work in each of the following course content areas:

(i) Pharmacology;

(ii) Group counseling;

(iii) Individual counseling;

(iv) Addictions treatment delivery;

(v) Ethics that includes alcohol and drug counseling issues; and

(vi) Abnormal psychology; and

(b) Any three of the following 3 semester credit hours or 5 quarter credit hours of course work in each of the following course content areas:

(i) Human development;

(ii) Theories of counseling;

(iii) Treatment of co-occurring disorders;

(iv) Topics in substance-related and addictive disorders; and

(v) Family counseling;

Md. Code Regs. 10.58.07.07

.02 Definitions.

B. Terms Defined.

(2) "Credit hour" means attendance in class for a minimum of 12 hours per semester or 18 hours per quarter, resulting in a grade which is earned, not audited, from an accredited educational institution approved by the Board.

Md. Code Regs. 10.58.01.02

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

6 semester credit hour internship or 1,000 hours work experience

.07 Certified Associate Counselor-Alcohol and Drug.
C. To qualify for certification as a certified associate counselor-alcohol and drug (CAC-AD) an applicant shall have:

(3) Completed one of the following:

(a) An internship in alcohol and drug counseling that totals 6 semester credit hours or 10 quarter credit hours; or

(b) A minimum of 1,000 hours of alcohol and drug counseling work completed as a certified associate counselor-alcohol and drug, a certified supervised counselor-alcohol and drug, or an alcohol and drug trainee under and verified by an approved alcohol and drug counselor supervisor;

Md. Code Regs. 10.58.07.07

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

§ 17-403. Certification; associate counselor--alcohol and drug

(a) Except as provided in § 17-405 of this subtitle, to qualify as a certified associate counselor-alcohol and drug, an applicant shall:

(3) Have completed not less than 1 year with a minimum of 2,000 hours of clinically supervised experience in alcohol and drug counseling approved by the Board; and

Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 17-403 (West)

.07 Certified Associate Counselor-Alcohol and Drug.
C. To qualify for certification as a certified associate counselor-alcohol and drug (CAC-AD) an applicant shall have:

(3) Completed one of the following:

(a) An internship in alcohol and drug counseling that totals 6 semester credit hours or 10 quarter credit hours; or

(b) A minimum of 1,000 hours of alcohol and drug counseling work completed as a certified associate counselor-alcohol and drug, a certified supervised counselor-alcohol and drug, or an alcohol and drug trainee under and verified by an approved alcohol and drug counselor supervisor;

(4) Completed not less than 1 year with a minimum of 1,000 hours of clinically supervised experience in alcohol and drug counseling completed as a certified supervised counselor-alcohol and drug or an alcohol and drug trainee under and verified by an approved alcohol and drug counselor supervisor;

Md. Code Regs. 10.58.07.07

§ 17-403. Certification; associate counselor--alcohol and drug

In general

(a) Except as provided in § 17-405 of this subtitle, to qualify as a certified associate counselor-alcohol and drug, an applicant shall:

(3) Have completed not less than 1 year with a minimum of 2,000 hours of clinically supervised experience in alcohol and drug counseling approved by the Board; and

(4) Have completed any additional educational requirements established by the Board in regulation.

Supervision

(c) A certified associate counselor-alcohol and drug shall practice alcohol and drug counseling under the supervision of a Board-approved alcohol and drug supervisor who is:

(1) A licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor;

(2) A certified professional counselor-alcohol and drug;

(3) A licensed clinical professional counselor;

(4) A licensed clinical marriage and family therapist;

(5) A licensed clinical professional art therapist; or

(6) A health care provider licensed under this article with documented expertise in alcohol and drug counseling.

Services of certified association counselor-alcohol and drug

(d) A certified associate counselor-alcohol and drug:

(1) May provide only:

(i) Alcohol and drug counseling as an employee of an agency or a facility that is certified or licensed by the State;

(ii) Alcohol and drug counseling under the supervision of a Board-approved supervisor as specified in subsection (c) of this section; and

(iii) Supervision with approval by the Board; and

(2) May not practice independently.

Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 17-403 (West)

Exam(s) Required

The National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NCC AP) and Maryland Law Assessment

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 17-403 (West)
Md. Code Regs. T. 10, Subt. 58, Ch. 01

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State/Territory	Massachusetts
Board/Agency Name	Massachusetts Bureau of Substance Addiction Services (BSAS)
Board/Agency Website	https://www.mass.gov/how-to/apply-for-an-alcohol-and-drug-counselor-license
License Title	Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor I
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	(A) To be eligible for applying for licensure as a licensed alcohol and drug counselor I, an applicant shall: (1) be at least 18 years of age with a copy of either a birth certificate, driver's license or passport as documentation; (2) have a master's or doctorate degree in behavioral sciences from an educational institution which is recognized by a nationally or regionally recognized educational or professional accrediting organization, with a minimum of 18 graduate semester hours in

counseling or counseling-related subjects; and have completed an approved program of education consisting of a minimum of 270 hours that address the full range of knowledge, skills, and professional techniques related to alcohol and drug counseling. Minimum requirements are as follow:

- (a) 110 hours related to knowledge of alcoholism and drug abuse.
- (b) 75 hours related to alcohol and drug abuse counseling; assessment; clinical evaluation; treatment planning and case management.
- (c) 75 hours related to patient, family and community education (for alcohol and drugs, HIV/AIDS, infectious diseases, tobacco cessation, etc.); cultural competency and/or other co-existing issues.
- (d) ten hours related to professional and ethical responsibilities.

105 Mass. Code Regs. 168.006

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

300 hours of supervised counseling practicum in an approved program

168.006: Eligibility Requirements

(A) To be eligible for applying for licensure as a licensed alcohol and drug counselor I, an applicant shall:

(3) have completed 300 hours of supervised counseling practicum in a program approved by the department for the education and training of alcohol and drug counselors. Of the 300 total hours, each of the 12 counselor core functions must be performed for a minimum of ten hours. A minimum of one hour of direct face-to-face supervision to ten hours of practical experience must be documented. Applicants must provided documentation of the time spent in

supervision from a professional supervisor directly involved in providing this practical training to the applicant.

105 Mass. Code Regs. 168.006

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

168.006: Eligibility Requirements

(A) To be eligible for applying for licensure as a licensed alcohol and drug counselor I, an applicant shall:

(4) have at least three years or 6,000 hours of supervised full-time work experience (approved work experience). This experience must include the provision of direct patient services or the provision of documented supervision of direct patient services, and must have been obtained within the past ten years prior to application. Work experience must include all of the following minimum requirements to be approved:

(a) practice in diagnostic assessment, intervention, and alcoholism and/or drug counseling in both individual and group settings;

(b) practice in alcoholism and/or drug counseling to establish and maintain recovery and prevent relapse; and

(c) weekly, on-site and documented clinical supervision;

105 Mass. Code Regs. 168.006

Exam(s) Required

(A) To be eligible for applying for licensure as a licensed alcohol and drug counselor I, an applicant shall:

(5) successfully completed a Department prescribed written examination, provided, however, that portions thereof may be

conducted orally.
105 Mass. Code Regs. 168.006

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. Pt. I, tit. XVI, Ch. 111J (West)
Mass. Code Regs. tit. 105, Ch. 168.

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Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A
Notes	<p>R 325.1301. Definitions. Rule 1301. (1) As used in these rules: (e) "Certified counselor" means an individual engaged in counseling of recipients in a substance use disorder services program who is certified as an alcohol and drug counselor by an organization approved and recognized by the department. Mich. Admin. Code R 325.1301</p> <p>The Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals (MCBAP) is a private board that offers alcohol and drug counselor certification.</p>
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State/Territory	Minnesota
Board/Agency Name	Minnesota Board of Behavioral Health and Therapy
Board/Agency Website	https://mn.gov/boards/behavioral-health/
License Title	Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	Effective: August 1, 2022 M.S.A. § 148F.025 Formerly cited as MN ST § 148C.04 148F.025. Requirements for licensure Subd. 2. Education requirements for licensure. An applicant for licensure must submit evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has: (1) received a bachelor's degree from an accredited school or educational program; and (2) received 18 semester credits or 270 clock hours of academic course work and 880

clock hours of supervised alcohol and drug counseling practicum from an accredited school or education program. The course work and practicum do not have to be part of the bachelor's degree earned under clause (1). The academic course work must be in the following areas:

- (i) an overview of the transdisciplinary foundations of alcohol and drug counseling, including theories of chemical dependency, the continuum of care, and the process of change;
- (ii) pharmacology of substance abuse disorders and the dynamics of addiction, including substance use disorder treatment with medications for opioid use disorder;
- (iii) professional and ethical responsibilities;
- (iv) multicultural aspects of chemical dependency;
- (v) co-occurring disorders; and
- (vi) the core functions defined in section 148F.01, subdivision 10.

Minn. Stat. Ann. § 148F.025 (West)

Subd. 10. Core functions. "Core functions" means the following services provided in alcohol and drug treatment:

- (1) "screening" means the process by which a client is determined appropriate and eligible for admission to a particular program;
- (2) "intake" means the administrative and initial assessment procedures for admission to a program;
- (3) "orientation" means describing to the client the general nature and goals of the program; rules governing client conduct and infractions that can lead to disciplinary action or discharge from the program; in a nonresidential program, the hours during which services are available; treatment costs to be borne by the client, if any; and client's rights;

(4) "assessment" means those procedures by which a counselor identifies and evaluates an individual's strengths, weaknesses, problems, and needs to develop a treatment plan or make recommendations for level of care placement;

(5) "treatment planning" means the process by which the counselor and the client identify and rank problems needing resolution; establish agreed-upon immediate and long-term goals; and decide on a treatment process and the sources to be utilized;

(6) "counseling" means the utilization of special skills to assist individuals, families, or groups in achieving objectives through exploration of a problem and its ramifications; examination of attitudes and feelings; consideration of alternative solutions; and decision making;

(7) "case management" means activities that bring services, agencies, resources, or people together within a planned framework of action toward the achievement of established goals;

(8) "crisis intervention" means those services which respond to an alcohol or other drug user's needs during acute emotional or physical distress;

(9) "client education" means the provision of information to clients who are receiving or seeking counseling concerning alcohol and other drug abuse and the available services and resources;

(10) "referral" means identifying the needs of the client which cannot be met by the counselor or agency and assisting the client to utilize the support systems and available community resources;

(11) "reports and record keeping" means charting the results of the assessment and treatment plan and writing reports, progress notes, discharge summaries, and other

	client-related data; and (12) "consultation with other professionals regarding client treatment and services" means communicating with other professionals in regard to client treatment and services to assure comprehensive, quality care for the client. Minn. Stat. Ann. § 148F.01 (West)
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	No
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	880 clock hours of supervised alcohol and drug counseling practicum - does not have to be part of the bachelor's degree Subd. 2. Education requirements for licensure. An applicant for licensure must submit evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has: (1) received a bachelor's degree from an accredited school or educational program; and (2) received 18 semester credits or 270 clock hours of academic course work and 880 clock hours of supervised alcohol and drug counseling practicum from an accredited school or education program. Minn. Stat. Ann. § 148F.025 (West)
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	No
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	No
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	None found
Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	148F.04. Supervised postdegree professional practice Subdivision 1. Supervision. For the purposes of this section, "supervision" means documented interactive consultation, which, subject to the limitations of subdivision 4, paragraph (b), may be conducted in person,

by telephone, or by audio or audiovisual electronic device by a supervisor with a supervisee. The supervision must be adequate to ensure the quality and competence of the activities supervised. Supervisory consultation must include discussions on the nature and content of the practice of the supervisee, including, but not limited to, a review of a representative sample of alcohol and drug counseling services in the supervisee's practice.

Subd. 2. Postdegree professional practice.

"Postdegree professional practice" means paid or volunteer work experience and training following graduation from an accredited school or educational program that involves professional oversight by a supervisor approved by the board and that satisfies the supervision requirements in subdivision 4.

Subd. 3. Supervisor requirements. For the purposes of this section, a supervisor shall:

- (1) be a licensed alcohol and drug counselor or other qualified professional as determined by the board;
- (2) have three years of experience providing alcohol and drug counseling services; and
- (3) have received a minimum of 12 hours of training in clinical and ethical supervision, which may include course work, continuing education courses, workshops, or a combination thereof.

Subd. 4. Supervised practice requirements for licensure. (a) The content of supervision must include:

- (1) knowledge, skills, values, and ethics with specific application to the practice issues faced by the supervisee, including the core functions in section 148F.01, subdivision 10;
- (2) the standards of practice and ethical conduct, with particular emphasis given to the counselor's role and appropriate responsibilities, professional boundaries, and

power dynamics; and

(3) the supervisee's permissible scope of practice, as defined in section 148F.01, subdivision 18.

(b) The supervision must be obtained at the rate of one hour of supervision per 40 hours of professional practice, for a total of 50 hours of supervision. The supervision must be evenly distributed over the course of the supervised professional practice. At least 75 percent of the required supervision hours must be received in person. The remaining 25 percent of the required hours may be received by telephone or by audio or audiovisual electronic device. At least 50 percent of the required hours of supervision must be received on an individual basis. The remaining 50 percent may be received in a group setting.

(c) The supervision must be completed in no fewer than 12 consecutive months and no more than 36 consecutive months.

(d) The applicant shall include with an application for licensure a verification of completion of the 2,000 hours of supervised professional practice. Verification must be on a form specified by the board. The supervisor shall verify that the supervisee has completed the required hours of supervision according to this section. The supervised practice required under this section is unacceptable if the supervisor attests that the supervisee's performance, competence, or adherence to the standards of practice and ethical conduct has been unsatisfactory.

Minn. Stat. Ann. § 148F.04 (West)

Exam(s) Required

Subd. 3. Examination requirements for licensure. To be eligible for licensure, the applicant must:

(1) satisfactorily pass the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Counselor

(IC&RC AODA) written examination adopted June 2008, or other equivalent examination as determined by the board; or
(2) satisfactorily pass a written examination for licensure as an alcohol and drug counselor, as determined by the board, and one of the following:
(i) complete a written case presentation and pass an oral examination that demonstrates competence in the core functions as defined in section 148F.01, subdivision 10; or
(ii) complete 2,000 hours of postdegree supervised professional practice under section 148F.04.
Minn. Stat. Ann. § 148F.025 (West)

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

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Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A
Notes	The Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals is a private agency that offers alcohol and drug counselor certification.
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Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A
Notes	9 CSR 10-7.140. Definitions (I) Associate substance abuse counselor, a trainee that must meet requirements for registration, supervision, and professional development as set forth by either-- 1. The Missouri Substance Abuse Counselors Certification Board, Inc.; or 2. The appropriate board of professional registration within the Department of Economic Development for licensure as a psychologist, professional counselor, or social worker; Mo. Code Regs. Ann. tit. 9, § 10-7.140
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State/Territory	Montana
Board/Agency Name	Montana Board of Behavioral Health
Board/Agency Website	https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/behavioral-health/license-information/licensed-addiction-counselor
License Title	Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	(1) Applicants for LAC licensure not currently licensed in another state or jurisdiction must submit a completed application on forms provided by the department. Completed applications include appropriate fees and required documentation. (2) Applicants must meet the following education requirements: (a) have a degree or certificate that meets the requirements in 37-35-202, MCA; and (b) have completed 330 contact hours of training in addiction studies completed either

in whole or in part of the degree or certificate in (a). If not all 330 required hours were completed as part of the degree, then the applicant can complete those outside of the degree or certificate. The 330 hours must be in the following areas:

- (i) minimum of 60 hours in chemical dependency assessment and patient placement (must include chemical dependency assessment, biopsychosocial testing, diagnosis, referrals, and patient placement);
- (ii) minimum of 90 hours in counseling;
- (iii) minimum of 30 hours in pharmacology (must include drug classification, effects, detoxification, and withdrawal);
- (iv) minimum of 10 hours in ethics;
- (v) minimum of 30 hours in alcohol and drug studies;
- (vi) minimum of 30 hours in treatment planning and documentation;
- (vii) minimum of 20 hours in multicultural competency which includes knowledge of and sensitivity to the cultural factors and needs of diverse populations and demonstrates competency in applying culturally relevant skills;
- (viii) minimum of 30 hours in co-occurring disorders; and
- (ix) minimum of 30 hours in gambling/gaming disorder assessment and counseling.

(3) In addition to the requirements in (1) and (2), applicants must:

- (a) have completed a supervised work experience that meets the requirements in ARM 24.219.5008;
- (b) have passed an examination as described in [24.219.5020] within four years of the date of the application;
- (c) have completed a Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint background check per 37-35-202, MCA, within six months of the application date; and

(d) provide verification of any professional license(s) the applicant has ever held in any state or jurisdiction.

(4) Incomplete applications will automatically expire one year from the date the fee was received. If an application expires, the applicant must reapply and pay all appropriate fees.

Mont. Admin. R. 24.219.5006

(1) To be eligible for licensure as a licensed addiction counselor, the applicant shall submit an application fee in an amount established by the board by rule and a written application on a form provided by the board that demonstrates that the applicant has completed the eligibility requirements and competency standards as defined by board rule.

(2) An applicant must meet one of the following degree requirements:

(a) a minimum of a baccalaureate or advanced degree from an accredited college or university in one of the following areas:

(i) alcohol and drug studies;

(ii) psychology;

(iii) sociology;

(iv) social work;

(v) counseling;

(vi) human services;

(vii) psychiatric rehabilitation; or

(viii) community health;

(b) a minimum of an associate of arts degree or a certificate from an accredited institution in one of the following areas:

(i) alcohol and drug studies;

(ii) addiction; or

(iii) substance abuse; or

(c) a minimum of a baccalaureate or advanced degree from an accredited college or university in any area. Either as part of that degree or taken as courses outside the degree from an accredited college or

university, the applicant must have the following:

(i) six semester credits in human behavior, sociology, psychology or a similar emphasis;
(ii) three semester credits in psychopathology or course work exploring patterns and courses of abnormal or deviant behavior; and
(iii) six semester credits in counseling. Three of these six credits must be in group counseling and three must be in the theory of counseling.

(d) if the person has not completed a degree listed in subsections (2)(a) through (2)(c), met the additional work experience requirements in an addiction treatment program set by the board by rule as equivalent and necessary to meet the provisions of (2)(a), (2)(b), or (2)(c).
Mont. Code Ann. § 37-35-202 (West)

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

(3) Prior to becoming eligible to begin the examination process, each applicant shall complete supervised work experience in:
(a) an addiction treatment program as defined by the board;
(b) a program approved by the board; or
(c) a similar program recognized under the laws of another state.

Mont. Code Ann. § 37-35-202 (West)

(1) Applicants applying under ARM 24.219.5006 must meet the supervised work experience requirement which includes:
(a) a minimum of seven months and 1000 hours of supervised work experience hours in an addiction counseling qualified treatment program as defined in ARM 24.219.5010; and
(b) the criteria for supervised work experience in ARM 24.219.301.

(2) As part of the required hours in (1) at least 500 hours must be in the following skill areas under face-to-face supervision by the supervisor:

- (a) screening, minimum of 30 hours;
- (b) assessment/patient placement, minimum of 100 hours;
- (c) treatment planning, minimum of 50 hours;
- (d) referrals, minimum of 20 hours;
- (e) case management, minimum of 50 hours;
- (f) individual counseling, minimum of 60 hours;
- (g) group counseling, minimum of 100 hours;
- (h) client education, minimum of 35 hours;
- (i) documentation, minimum of 35 hours;
- (j) professional and ethical responsibilities, minimum of 10 hours; and
- (k) multicultural competency, minimum of 10 hours.

(3) The 1000 hours of supervised work experience must be completed in not more than two different qualified treatment programs.

(4) When an LAC candidate completes the requirements of (1) and (2) of this rule, the candidate will qualify for the examination per ARM 24.219.5020.

Mont. Admin. R. 24.219.5008

Exam(s) Required

(1) The following examinations are approved for licensure:

- (a) Level 1 or Level 2 National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NCC AP);
- (b) Northwest Certification II;

(c) Southwest Certification II; or
(d) International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) Alcohol and Drug Counselor (ADC) examination or Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC) exam.
Mont. Admin. R. 24.219.5020

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Mont. Code Ann. tit. 37, Ch. 35 (West)
Mont. Admin. R. 24.219.5006

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None

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State/Territory	Nebraska
Board/Agency Name	Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling
Board/Agency Website	https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/pages/alcohol-and-drug-counselor.aspx
License Title	Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	(1) To be licensed to practice as an alcohol and drug counselor, an applicant shall meet the requirements for licensure as a provisional alcohol and drug counselor under section 38-314, shall receive a passing score on an examination approved by the board, and shall have six thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience providing alcohol and drug counseling services to alcohol and other drug clients for remuneration. The experience shall be polydrug counseling experience. (5)(a) A postsecondary educational degree may

be substituted for part of the supervised clinical work experience. The degree shall be from an accredited postsecondary educational institution or the educational program.

(b) An associate's degree in addictions or chemical dependency may be substituted for one thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience.

(c) A bachelor's degree with a major in counseling, addictions, social work, sociology, or psychology may be substituted for two thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience.

(d) A master's degree or higher in counseling, addictions, social work, sociology, or psychology may be substituted for four thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience.

(e) A substitution shall not be made for more than one degree.

Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 38-316 (West)

To be licensed to practice as a provisional alcohol and drug counselor, an applicant shall:

- (1) Have a high school diploma or its equivalent;
- (2) Have two hundred seventy hours of education related to the knowledge and skills of alcohol and drug counseling which shall include:
 - (a) A minimum of forty-five hours in counseling theories and techniques coursework;
 - (b) A minimum of forty-five hours in group counseling coursework;
 - (c) A minimum of thirty hours in human growth and development coursework;
 - (d) A minimum of fifteen hours in professional ethics and issues coursework;
 - (e) A minimum of thirty hours in alcohol and drug assessment, case planning, and management coursework;
 - (f) A minimum of thirty hours in multicultural counseling coursework;
 - (g) A minimum of forty-five hours in medical and psychosocial aspects of alcohol and drug

use, abuse, and addiction coursework; and
(h) A minimum of thirty hours in clinical treatment issues in chemical dependency coursework; and

(3) Have supervised practical training which shall:

(a) Include performing a minimum of three hundred hours in the counselor core functions in a work setting where alcohol and drug counseling is provided;

(b) Be a formal, systematic process that focuses on skill development and integration of knowledge;

(c) Include training hours documented by performance date and core function performance areas; and

(d) Include the performance of all counselor core functions with no single function performed less than ten hours.

Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 38-314 (West)

003.03 PRACTICAL TRAINING. Documentation of completion of the supervised training set out in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-314. On-line counseling services are not acceptable for the 300 hours of supervised practical training.

172 Neb. Admin. Code Ch. 15, 003

Core functions means the following twelve activities an alcohol and drug counselor performs in the role of counselor: Screening, intake, orientation, assessment, treatment planning, counseling (individual, group, and significant others), case management, crisis intervention, client education, referral, reports and record keeping, and consultation with other professionals in regard to client treatment and services.

Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 38-309 (West)

(1)(a) The practical training supervisor for supervised practical training required under section 38-314 shall hold one of the following

credentials:

(i) Licensure as an alcohol and drug counselor;
(ii) If the practical training is acquired outside of Nebraska, a reciprocity level alcohol and drug counselor credential issued by a member jurisdiction of the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium, Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse, Inc., or its successor; or

(iii) Licensure as a physician or psychologist under the Uniform Credentialing Act, or an equivalent credential from another jurisdiction, and sufficient training as determined by the Board of Medicine and Surgery for physicians or the Board of Psychologists for psychologists, in consultation with the Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling, and adopted and promulgated by the department in rules and regulations.

(b) The practical training supervisor shall not be a family member.

(c) The credential requirement of this subsection applies to the work setting supervisor and not to a practicum coordinator or instructor of a postsecondary educational institution.

(2) The practical training supervisor shall assume responsibility for the performance of the individual in training and shall be onsite at the work setting when core function activities are performed by the individual in training. A minimum of one hour of evaluative face-to-face supervision for each ten hours of core function performance shall be documented. Supervisory methods shall include, as a minimum, individual supervisory sessions, formal case staffings, and conjoint, cotherapy sessions. Supervision shall be directed towards teaching the knowledge and skills of professional alcohol and drug counseling.

Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 38-315 (West)

005. ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR LICENSE REQUIREMENTS.

To obtain a license, an individual must submit a

complete application provided by the Department and provide documentation demonstrating that the applicant meets the licensing requirements of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-316, 172 NAC 10, and this chapter. Applicants must submit the following:

005.01 PROVISIONAL LICENSE. Evidence that the applicant has met the requirements for or holds a provisional license as an alcohol and drug counselor.

172 Neb. Admin. Code Ch. 15, 005

003. PROVISIONAL LICENSED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR REQUIREMENTS.

To obtain a license, an individual must submit a complete application provided by the Department and provide documentation demonstrating that the applicant meets the licensing requirements of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-314, 172 NAC 10, and this chapter. Applicants must submit the following:

003.01 HIGH SCHOOL. A copy of the high school diploma or its equivalent. An official transcript submitted directly from the issuing institution, verifying receipt of a post-secondary degree may be submitted as documentation of having the equivalent of a high school diploma.

003.02 EDUCATION. Documentation of having completed the education set out in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-314 through workshops, seminars, institutions, college or university coursework. Applicants must submit:

(A) An official transcript directly to the Department from the issuing institution for any hours completed through a college or university.

(B) Certificates of completion for hours earned through workshops or seminars and institutes.

(C) Official descriptions for each educational area, such as, syllabi, course catalogue, brochure, or a similar document, for the time of attendance and indication of the course name and course number, which documents

completion of the following:

(i) A minimum of 45 clock hours in counseling theories and techniques, which includes the study and practice of theories, principles, and techniques of counseling and include the study and practice of:

(1) At least 4 counseling techniques such as, but not limited to, active listening, reflective feedback, summarizing, self-disclosing, displaying empathy, confronting, establishing rapport, and communicating at the client's comprehension level; and

(2) At least 4 counseling theories such as, but not limited to, Adlerian, cognitive behavioral, client-centered, Gestalt, rational emotive, reality, and Postmodern theories.

(ii) A minimum of 45 clock hours in group counseling, which includes the study and practice of group theories, processes, dynamics, techniques, methods, and group counseling and facilitation.

(iii) A minimum of 30 clock hours in human growth and development, which includes the study of the nature and needs of individuals at all normal developmental levels from conception to death.

(iv) A minimum of 15 clock hours in professional ethics and issues, which addresses the standards of conduct and professional behavior expectations for counselors.

(v) A minimum of 30 clock hours in alcohol and drug assessment, case planning and management, which includes the process of collecting client data for making decisions regarding substance use disorder diagnosis, level of care placement, and treatment and referral and include:

(1) The study of 2 or more alcohol or drug or both assessment instruments; and

(2) The practice of record keeping addressing the development of substance use assessments, diagnosis, treatment plans, progress notes, discharge plans and clinical case reviews

including case management activities to bring together services, agencies, and resources to achieve client treatment goals while adhering to confidentiality as it relates to these areas.

(vi) A minimum of 30 clock hours in multicultural counseling, which includes the adaptation of traditional counseling theories and techniques and consider cultural, social, lifestyle, spiritual, and economic factors relevant to the provision of competent and relevant counseling to varied populations.

(vi) A minimum of 45 clock hours in medical and psychosocial aspects of substance use disorders, which includes physiological, psychological, and sociological aspects of substance use disorders and includes:

(1) Studying the development of substance use disorders, covering signs, symptoms, and behavior patterns; and

(2) The study of drug types and pharmacology.

(vii) A minimum of 30 clock hours in clinical treatment issues in substance use disorders, which includes the clinical treatment needs of individuals with substance use disorders taking into consideration the client's individualized needs and includes. This education must include the study of treatment issues specific to substance use such as, but not limited to, family dynamics, relapse, defense mechanisms, co-occurring disorders, spirituality, trauma exposure, and influences of self-help groups.

(D) Applicants who hold an active license as a provisional mental health practitioner, mental health practitioner, or independent mental health practitioner, meet 5 of the 8 educational areas as specified in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-318. 003.03 PRACTICAL TRAINING. Documentation of completion of the supervised training set out in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-314. On-line counseling services are not acceptable for the 300 hours of supervised practical training.

172 Neb. Admin. Code Ch. 15, 003

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

To be licensed to practice as a provisional alcohol and drug counselor, an applicant shall:

(3) Have supervised practical training which shall:

- (a) Include performing a minimum of three hundred hours in the counselor core functions in a work setting where alcohol and drug counseling is provided;
- (b) Be a formal, systematic process that focuses on skill development and integration of knowledge;
- (c) Include training hours documented by performance date and core function performance areas; and
- (d) Include the performance of all counselor core functions with no single function performed less than ten hours.

Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 38-314 (West)

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Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 38-309 (West)

005. ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR LICENSE REQUIREMENTS.

To obtain a license, an individual must submit a complete application provided by the Department and provide documentation demonstrating that the applicant meets the licensing requirements of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-316, 172 NAC 10, and this chapter. Applicants must submit the following:

005.03 SUPERVISED CLINICAL WORK EXPERIENCE. Documentation of completion of at least 6,000 hours of supervised clinical work experience providing alcohol and drug counseling services to alcohol and other drug clients for remuneration. An applicant must hold a provisional license as an alcohol and drug counselor if gaining work experience hours in Nebraska. Any hours obtained in Nebraska prior to the receipt of the provisional license as an alcohol and drug counselor will not be considered towards meeting the 6,000 hours of supervised clinical work experience required for a license as an alcohol and drug counselor. Face-to-face clinical supervision may include in-person or interactive video conferencing. The format for supervision must be either one-on-one or small group.

005.04 WORK EXPERIENCE SUBSTITUTION. If the applicant seeks a substitution for clinical work experience hours based on a degree, an official transcript, submitted directly from the issuing post-secondary educational institution, verifying completion of one of the degrees set out in Neb. Rev. Stat. § 38-316.

172 Neb. Admin. Code Ch. 15, 005

(1) To be licensed to practice as an alcohol and drug counselor, an applicant shall meet the requirements for licensure as a provisional alcohol and drug counselor under section 38-314, shall receive a passing score on an examination approved by the board, and shall have six thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience providing alcohol and drug counseling services to alcohol and other drug clients for remuneration. The experience shall be polydrug counseling experience.

(2) The experience shall include carrying a client caseload as the primary alcohol and drug counselor performing the core functions of assessment, treatment planning, counseling, case management, referral, reports and record keeping, and consultation with other professionals for those clients. The experience shall also include responsibility for performance of the five remaining core functions although these core functions need not be performed by the applicant with each client in their caseload.

(3) Experience that shall not count towards licensure shall include, but not be limited to:

(a) Providing services to individuals who do not have a diagnosis of alcohol and drug abuse or dependence such as prevention, intervention, and codependency services or other mental health disorder counseling services, except that this shall not exclude counseling services provided to a client's significant others when provided in the context of treatment for the diagnosed alcohol or drug client; and

(b) Providing services when the experience does not include primary case responsibility for alcohol or drug treatment or does not include responsibility for the performance of all of the core functions.

(4) The maximum number of hours of experience that may be accrued are forty hours per week or two thousand hours per year.

(5)(a) A postsecondary educational degree may be substituted for part of the supervised clinical

work experience. The degree shall be from an accredited postsecondary educational institution or the educational program.

(b) An associate's degree in addictions or chemical dependency may be substituted for one thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience.

(c) A bachelor's degree with a major in counseling, addictions, social work, sociology, or psychology may be substituted for two thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience.

(d) A master's degree or higher in counseling, addictions, social work, sociology, or psychology may be substituted for four thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience.

(e) A substitution shall not be made for more than one degree.

Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 38-316 (West)

Exam(s) Required

005.02 EXAMINATION. Documentation of passing the Alcohol and Drug Counselor written examination by the International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium, or its successor, with a minimum scaled score of 500.

0172 Neb. Admin. Code Ch. 15, 005

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Neb. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 38-301 (West)

172 Neb. Admin. Code Ch. 15

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State/Territory	Nevada
Board/Agency Name	Nevada State Board of Examiners for Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors
Board/Agency Website	https://alcohol.nv.gov/Licensure/Alcohol_Drug_Abuse_Counselors/
License Title	Certificate as Alcohol and Drug Counselor
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>1. For the purposes of this chapter, subsection 1 of NRS 641C.350 and NRS 641C.390, the Board will consider an applicant for a license or certificate as an alcohol and drug counselor to have successfully completed 2,500 hours of supervised counseling of persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders if the applicant has successfully completed:</p> <p>(a) A bachelor’s degree in a field of social science approved by the Board that included 18 semester hours, or 27 quarter hours, of study specifically related to the counseling of persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders from an accredited college or university or has accrued the required 18 semester or 27 quarter hours in education following the completion of a bachelor’s degree;</p> <p>Nev. Admin. Code 641C.205</p> <p>1. The Board shall issue a certificate as an alcohol and drug counselor to a person who:</p> <p>(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, has received a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in a field of social science approved by the Board;</p>

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2. The Board may waive the educational requirement set forth in paragraph (b) of subsection 1 if an applicant for a certificate has contracted with or receives a grant from the Federal Government to provide services as an alcohol and drug counselor to persons who are authorized to receive those services pursuant to 25 U.S.C. §§ 5301 et seq. or 25 U.S.C. §§ 1601 et seq. An alcohol and drug counselor certified pursuant to this section for whom the educational requirement set forth in paragraph (b) of subsection 1 is waived may provide services as an alcohol and drug counselor only to those persons who are authorized to receive those services pursuant to 25 U.S.C. §§ 5301 et seq. or 25 U.S.C. §§ 1601 et seq.

3. A certificate as an alcohol and drug counselor is valid for 2 years and may be renewed.

4. A certified alcohol and drug counselor may:

(a) Engage in the practice of counseling persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders;

(b) Diagnose or classify a person as having an alcohol or other substance use disorder; and

(c) If the certified alcohol and drug counselor has been certified for at least 3 years and meets any other requirements prescribed by regulation of the Board for the supervision of interns, supervise certified alcohol and drug counselor interns.

Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 641C.390 (West)

For the purposes of this chapter and NRS 641C.330, 641C.340, 641C.350, 641C.390, 641C.420, 641C.430 and 641C.440:

1. The Board will interpret the term "field of social science" to mean:

(a) Any program in:

(1) Counseling persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders;

(2) Counseling persons with an addictive disorder related to gambling;

(3) Psychiatry;

(4) Psychology;

(5) Social work;

(6) Marriage and family therapy;

(7) Nursing; or

(8) Medicine; or

(b) Any other program related to the study of the human mind and mental illness.

2. The Board may consider whether the course descriptions for a degree from an accredited college or university that includes at least 24 semester hours or 32 quarter hours of courses relating to counseling qualify the degree as a degree in a "field of social science."

Nev. Admin. Code 641C.070

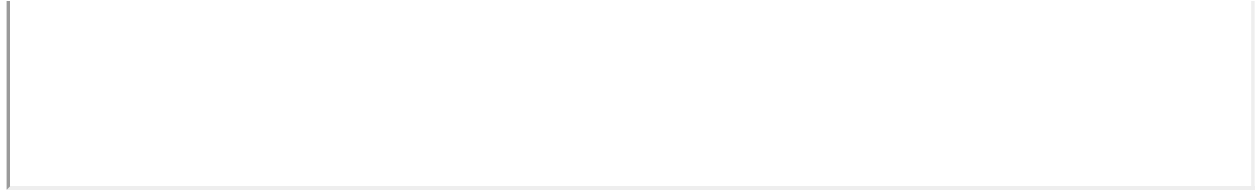
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes, as indicated

Supervised Experience (In-Program)	Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	No
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	No
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	None found
Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	<p>1. The Board shall issue a certificate as an alcohol and drug counselor to a person who:</p> <p>(c) Has completed 4,000 hours of supervised counseling of persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders; Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 641C.390 (West)</p> <p>1. For the purposes of this chapter, subsection 1 of NRS 641C.350 and NRS 641C.390, the Board will consider an applicant for a license or certificate as an alcohol and drug counselor to have successfully completed 2,500 hours of supervised counseling of persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders if the applicant has successfully completed:</p> <p>(a) A bachelor's degree in a field of social science approved by the Board that included 18 semester hours, or 27 quarter hours, of study specifically related to the counseling of persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders from an accredited college or university or has accrued the required 18 semester or 27 quarter hours in education following the completion of a bachelor's degree; or Nev. Admin. Code 641C.205</p>
Exam(s) Required	IC&RC ADC written examination and oral exam
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 54, Ch. 641C (West) Nev. Admin. Code 641C.
Notes	None
Last Reviewed Date	9/30/2023
Feedback Form (Send us your questions, comments or information about your experience with licensure)	https://forms.gle/zLB3dsG9j6qmx1pU6

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State/Territory	New Hampshire
Board/Agency Name	New Hampshire Board of Licensing for Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals
Board/Agency Website	https://www.oplc.nh.gov/board-licensing-alcohol-and-other-drug-use-professionals
License Title	Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor (LADC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	An applicant for initial LADC licensure shall: I. (a) Have graduated with an associate's degree in substance use counseling, addiction studies, or equivalent program, obtained 300 hours of alcohol and drug use education within the degree-granting program or separately, completed 6,000 hours of supervised work experience, and completed 300 hours of supervised practical training within the degree-granting program, as part of the supervised work experience or separately; or (b) Have graduated with a bachelor's degree in a clinical mental health, social work, psychology, substance use counseling, addiction studies, human services discipline, or equivalent program from an accredited college or university, obtained 300 hours of alcohol and drug use education within the degree-granting program or separately, completed 4,000 hours of supervised work experience, and completed 300

hours of supervised practical training within the degree-granting program, as part of the supervised work experience or separately.

N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 330-C:17

A minimum of 24 hours, of the 300 total hours, must have been obtained within the past 12 months. 25% of the total hours (75) can be from on-line training(s).

Required as part of the 300 hours:

Confidentiality (6 hours)

HIV/Aids (6 hours)

Ethics (6 hours)

12 Core Functions (6 hours)

The remaining 276 clock hours of education and training must be in Categories of Competence. The Categories of Competence describe knowledge and skills necessary to perform the 12 Core Functions. If the training has been pre-approved

by the NH Board of Licensing for Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals, attach a copy of the Certificate of Attendance. IF

THE TRAINING HAS NOT BEEN PRE-APPROVED, YOU MUST ATTACH A DESCRIPTION OR OUTLINE OF THE TRAINING IN ADDITION TO A COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

<https://www.oplc.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt441/files/inline-documents/sonh/ladc-educational-training-summary.pdf>

(a) Pursuant to RSA 330-C:17, I, eligibility for initial licensing as a licensed alcohol and drug counselor shall require an individual to have:

(1) Graduated with one of the academic degrees stated in (b) below;

(2) Received the required drug and alcohol use education stated in (c) below; and

(3) Received the supervised practical training in drug and alcohol counseling stated in (d) below.

(b) The qualifying academic degrees shall be:

(1) An associate's degree in substance use counseling or addiction studies; or

(2) A bachelor's degree in clinical mental health, social work, psychology, substance use counseling, addiction studies, or human services from a college or university accredited by:

a. The Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges; or

b. Any other accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

(c) The required drug and alcohol use education shall:

- (1) Total at least 270 hours, including:
 - a. 6 hours of education in confidentiality;
 - b. 6 hours of education in the 12 core functions;
 - c. 6 hours of education in ethics;
 - d. 6 hours of education in HIV/AIDS; and
 - e. The remaining 246 hours covering the 18 categories of competence as described in Alc 313.10(j)(1)-(18); and
- (2) Be received:
 - a. As part of the academic program; or
 - b. In a program given, sponsored or approved by:
 1. The board or the licensing body of any other state within the IC&RC;
 2. NAADAC;
 3. New Hampshire Training Institute on Addictive Disorders;
 4. New Hampshire Center for Excellence;
 5. New England Institute of Addiction Studies;
 6. New Hampshire Technical Institute;
 7. The New Hampshire Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors Association;
 8. Any educational unit of the New Hampshire community college system; or
 9. Any other public or private agency or institution providing training in the practice of substance use counseling and recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

(d) No more than 25% of the required education shall be obtained online, provided that educational hours received as part of online degree programs shall not count towards this limit.

N.H. Code Admin. R. § 03

Alc 313.12. Educational and Training Summary Form.

For the purpose of documenting education requirements described in Alc 310.03, applicants shall submit an educational and training summary form which shall contain the following information:

- (a) For the required minimum 6 hours of training in HIV/AIDS, the following information:
 - (1) The date(s) the applicant attended the training(s);
 - (2) The agency or agencies which sponsored the training(s);
 - (3) The categories of competence, outlined in Alc 313.10(j), covered by the training; and
 - (4) The total number of hours of training accumulated in HIV/AIDS related training;
- (b) For the required minimum 6 hours of training in ethics, the following information:
 - (1) The date(s) the applicant attended the training(s);

- (2) The agency or agencies which sponsored the training(s);
 - (3) The categories of competence, outlined in Alc 313.10(j), covered by the training; and
 - (4) The total number of hours of training accumulated in ethics related training; and
- (c) For each training undertaken to satisfy the remaining 258 hours of required education:
- (1) The title of the course or training;
 - (2) The dates of attendance;
 - (3) The sponsoring agency;
 - (4) The categories of competence, outlined in Alc 313.10(j), covered by the training; and
 - (5) The total number of training contact hours;
- (d) For each training described in Alc 313.12(c), a copy of the certificate of attendance, to which the applicant shall:
- (1) Assign an item number that corresponds to the respective title of course on the education and training summary report form; and
 - (2) Attach to the education and training summary report form in numerical order;
- (e) For each training described in Alc 313.12(c) that has not been pre-approved by the board, a description or outline of the training to accompany the certificate described in part (d) of this section, including a syllabus or brochure for the program and a description of the category or categories of competence covered by the training.

N.H. Code Admin. R. § 12

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

300 hours of supervised practical training within the degree-granting program, as part of the supervised work experience or separately; or have a bachelor's degree in a field listed in N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 330-C:17 I. (b) copied below.

Supervised Practical Training is on the job training specific to the 12 Core

Functions. You need a minimum of 10 hours of training under each function and a minimum of 300 hours total as referenced in administrative rule Alc 306.03(d).

An applicant for initial LADC licensure shall:

- I. (a) Have graduated with an associate's degree in substance use counseling, addiction studies, or equivalent program, obtained 300 hours of alcohol and drug use education within the degree-granting program or separately, completed 6,000 hours of supervised work experience, and

completed 300 hours of supervised practical training within the degree-granting program, as part of the supervised work experience or separately; or

(b) Have graduated with a bachelor's degree in a clinical mental health, social work, psychology, substance use counseling, addiction studies, human services discipline, or equivalent program from an accredited college or university, obtained 300 hours of alcohol and drug use education within the degree-granting program or separately, completed 4,000 hours of supervised work experience, and completed 300 hours of supervised practical training within the degree-granting program, as part of the supervised work experience or separately.

N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 330-C:17

The required supervised practical training in alcohol and drug use counseling shall:

- (a) Total at least 300 hours;
- (b) Cover training in the 12 core functions, with a minimum of 10 hours of training received in each; and
- (c) Be received:
 - (1) In an internship or practicum; or
 - (2) At the site of, and as part of, the supervised work experience as described in Alc 306.05.

N.H. Code Admin. R. § 04

Alc 313.05. Report Form Documenting Hours of Supervised Practical Training in Alcohol and Drug Counseling.

The report form documenting receipt of hours of supervised practical training in alcohol and drug counseling shall require:

- (a) The information detailed in (b) below to be reported separately for each site of internship, academic program, or supervised experience where the applicant received supervised practical training; and
- (b) The provision of the following information:
 - (1) The name of the internship, academic program, or work site where the applicant received supervised practical training in alcohol and drug counseling;
 - (2) The number of hours of supervised practical training received by the applicant in each of the following 12 core functions:
 - a. Screening;
 - b. Intake;
 - c. Orientation;
 - d. Assessment;
 - e. Treatment planning;
 - f. Counseling;

- g. Case management;
 - h. Crisis intervention;
 - i. Client education;
 - j. Referral;
 - k. Reporting and record keeping; and
 - l. Consultation;
- (3) The total hours of supervised practical training in alcohol and drug use counseling;
- (4) A certification that the total number of hours of supervised practical training included a minimum of 10 hours of training in each of the 12 core functions;
- (5) The name(s) and title(s) of the individual(s) providing the supervised practical training or their replacements if the supervisors are no longer available;
- (6) The signature(s) of such individual(s) or, if such individual is no longer employed at the same location, of an individual who can attest that the supervised practical training was completed; and
- (7) The date of signing.
- N.H. Code Admin. R. § 05

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

An applicant for initial LADC licensure shall:

I. (a) Have graduated with an associate's degree in substance use counseling, addiction studies, or equivalent program, obtained 300 hours of alcohol and drug use education within the degree-granting program or separately, completed 6,000 hours of supervised work experience, and completed 300 hours of supervised practical training within the degree-granting program, as part of the supervised work experience or separately; or

(b) Have graduated with a bachelor's degree in a clinical mental health, social work, psychology, substance use counseling, addiction studies, human services discipline, or equivalent program from an accredited college or university, obtained 300 hours of alcohol and drug use education within the degree-granting program or separately, completed 4,000 hours of supervised work experience, and completed 300 hours of supervised practical training within the degree-granting program, as part of the supervised work experience

or separately.

N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 330-C:17

(a) The required supervised work experience shall be of the following duration:

(1) For an individual holding an associate's degree, an accumulated 6,000 hours; and

(2) For an individual holding a bachelor's degree, an accumulated 4,000 hours.

(b) The supervised work experience shall:

(1) Be paid or volunteer in nature;

(2) Involve direct services to clients;

(3) Be performed under the supervision of an individual licensed by the board or authorized by the regulatory board of another state to practice substance use counseling; and

(4) Be performed in one or more of the following private or public settings:

a. A detoxification program;

b. A substance use counseling program;

c. A substance use treatment program; or

d. If working in the substance use aspect of the program or setting:

1. A mental health program;

2. A hospital program;

3. A program of a rehabilitation facility;

4. A half-way house or transitional living program;

5. A criminal justice system diversion program;

6. A correctional facility rehabilitation program;

7. A program of a non-governmental social service agency;

8. An employee assistance program;

9. A program of a private mental health practice;

10. The office of a licensed physician; or

11. Any program operated, licensed or otherwise approved by:

(i) The federal government;

(ii) The government of any state; or

(iii) The government of a political subdivision of any state.

(c) The supervised work experience shall include:

(1) Monitoring by the supervisor of the performance of the person being supervised; and

(2) Record keeping and note taking by the supervisor which is sufficiently detailed to permit accurate later assessment of the work of the individual being supervised and accurate completion of the forms described in Alc 313.07.

N.H. Code Admin. R. § 05

Exam(s) Required

IC&RC ADC Exam

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. XXX, Ch. 330-C N.H. Code Admin. R. Alc 301.01
Notes	None
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State/Territory	New Jersey
Board/Agency Name	New Jersey Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee
Board/Agency Website	https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/adc/Pages/default.aspx
License Title	Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>Note re Distance Learning: There has always been a maximum of 54 hours allowed for distance learning.</p> <p>a. Each person applying for certification as a certified alcohol and drug counselor shall make application to the board on the form and in the manner the committee prescribes and the board shall immediately refer each application to the committee for appropriate action. Each applicant shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the committee that he has received a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency and that he has:</p> <p>(3) Completed 270 hours of alcohol and drug education, including formal classroom education, workshops, seminars, institutes, in-service training and college or university work. This education shall be related to the knowledge and skill base associated with the functions of an alcohol and drug counselor. All education shall be approved by the board;</p> <p>N.J. Stat. Ann. § 45:2D-5 (West)</p>

(b) An applicant shall furnish evidence that the applicant has:

4. Completed 270 hours of alcohol and drug education, approved by member boards of the International Certification Reciprocity Consortium of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse, Inc. (ICRC), the National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC), the Association for Addiction Professionals or a regionally accredited college or university, which shall be related to the knowledge and skill associated with the functions of an alcohol and drug counselor, including formal classroom education, workshops, seminars, institutes, in-service training or a maximum of 54 course hours in distance learning programs as follows:

i. Fifty-four course hours of assessment, with a minimum of six hours in each of the topics and distributed among all of the following:

- (1) Initial interviewing process;
- (2) Biopsychosocial assessment;
- (3) Differential diagnosis;
- (4) Diagnostic summaries;
- (5) Compulsive gambling; and
- (6) Psychopharmacology/physiology of addiction;

ii. Fifty-four course hours of counseling, with a minimum of six hours in each of the topics and distributed among all of the following:

- (1) Introduction to counseling;
- (2) Introduction to techniques and approaches;
- (3) Crisis intervention;
- (4) Individual counseling focused on addiction;
- (5) Group counseling; and
- (6) Family counseling;

iii. Fifty-four course hours of case management, with a minimum of six hours in each of the topics and distributed among all of the following:

- (1) Community resources;
- (2) Consultation;
- (3) Documentation; and
- (4) HIV positive resources;

iv. Fifty-four course hours of client education, with a minimum of six hours in each of the topics and distributed among all of the following:

- (1) Addiction recovery;
- (2) Psychological client education;
- (3) Biochemical/medical client education;
- (4) Sociocultural client education;
- (5) Addiction recovery and psychological family education;
- (6) Biomedical and sociocultural family education; and
- (7) Community and professional education; and

v. Fifty-four course hours of professional responsibility, with a minimum of six hours in each of the topics and distributed

among all of the following:

- (1) Ethical standards;
- (2) Legal aspects;
- (3) Cultural competency;
- (4) Professional growth;
- (5) Personal growth;
- (6) Dimensions of recovery;
- (7) Supervision;
- (8) Consultation; and
- (9) Community involvement;

5. Attended 30 alcohol and drug abuse self-help group meetings of which a minimum of five meetings shall be in Alcoholics Anonymous; a minimum of five meetings shall be in Narcotics Anonymous; and a minimum of five meetings shall be in Alanon;

N.J. Admin. Code § 13:34C-2.3

If you are seeking to apply any of the 270 core-training hours as being completed in your formal academic degree training, you

should do one of the following two procedures:

Submit verification from the college/university that the course work has been pre-approved to fulfill the 270 hours of core training

within the academic degree program.

If the college/university has not been pre-approved to provide the 270 hours within the course work, you submit your transcript

and course descriptions to the APCBNJ (APCBNJ is authorized to translate the academic training into the equivalent coretraining hours.) APCBNJ will notify you of any deficient core-training hours that are required and/or issue a transcript verifying the 270-hour equivalent.

<https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/adc/Applications/Schedule-B-Applicants-Form-Packet.pdf>

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

a. Each person applying for certification as a certified alcohol and drug counselor shall make application to the board on the form and in the manner the committee prescribes and the board shall immediately refer each application to the committee for appropriate action. Each applicant shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the committee that he has received a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency and that he has:

(2) Had two years of supervised work experience acceptable to the board which may be paid or voluntary time working directly with alcohol or other drug clients. This experience may include both direct and indirect functions. Formal education or unsupervised work experience may not be substituted for the required experience;

N.J. Stat. Ann. § 45:2D-5 (West)

(b) An applicant shall furnish evidence that the applicant has:
2. Completed 300 hours of supervised practical training in alcohol and drug counseling distributed among all of the following 12 core functions: screening, intake, orientation, assessment, treatment planning, counseling-individual, group and family, case management, crisis intervention, client education, referral, consultation and recordkeeping. This practical training may be part of the work experience pursuant to (b)3 below and may be completed under more than one agency or supervisor;

3. Completed two years of supervised work experience within five consecutive years immediately preceding the date of submission of the application. The two years of supervised work experience may be paid or voluntary time working directly with alcohol or other drug clients. Paid or voluntary time shall be directly related to the 12-core functions as set forth at (b)2 above;

i. A one year full-time equivalent shall be 1,500 hours over a 50-week period. Any hours over the required 1,500 hours per year may not be carried over into the succeeding year. The practical training required by (b)2 above may be part of the work experience set forth in this paragraph and may be completed under more than one agency or supervisor;

ii. The work experience requirement may be satisfied by work performed on a part-time basis, so long as the two year experience requirement is satisfied by completion of at least 3,000 hours within five consecutive years immediately preceding the date of submission of the application;

iii. Continuing education courses, workshops, seminars , unsupervised work experience, or formal education (except for

the supervised practical training pursuant to (b)2 above) may not be substituted for the required work experience;
N.J. Admin. Code § 13:34C-2.3

Exam(s) Required

(b) An applicant shall furnish evidence that the applicant has:
6. Successfully completed a written examination developed and prepared by the ICRC, or its successor; and
7. Successfully completed an oral examination developed and prepared by the ICRC, or its successor, on the applicant's written case presentation.
N.J. Admin. Code § 13:34C-2.3

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

N.J. Stat. Ann. § 45:2D (West)
N.J. Admin. Code § tit. 13, Ch. 34C

Notes

None

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State/Territory	New Mexico
Board/Agency Name	New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department Counseling and Therapy Practice Board
Board/Agency Website	https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards-and-commissions/individual-boards-and-commissions/counseling-and-therapy-practice/licensing-registration-and-renewal/
License Title	Licensed Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor (LADAC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	D. Education requirements (1) Holds an associate degree in counseling, counseling related field or a substance abuse related field from an accredited institution. The board may approve, on a case-by-case basis, applicants whose education is not in a counseling or substance abuse related field. One semester credit hour is equal to 15 clock

hours of education. Qualifying education shall include 276 clock hours in the following areas:

- (a) 90 hours in the field of alcohol abuse
- (b) 90 hours in the field of drug abuse
- (c) 90 hours in the field of counseling
- (d) six hours that pertain specifically to alcohol and drug counseling ethics training.

(2) Holds a baccalaureate degree in counseling, a counseling related field or a substance abuse related field from an accredited institution. The board may approve, on a case-by-case basis, applicants whose education is not in a counseling or substance abuse related field. One semester credit hour is equal to 15 clock hours of education. Qualifying education shall include 276 clock hours in the following areas:

- (a) 90 hours in the field of alcohol abuse
- (b) 90 hours in the field of drug abuse
- (c) 90 hours in the field of counseling
- (d) six hours that pertain specifically to alcohol and drug counseling ethics training, (must be acquired two years prior to submission of an application).

(3) Holds a masters or doctoral degree in counseling, a counseling related field or a substance abuse related field from an accredited institution. The board may approve, on a case-by-case basis, applicants whose education is not in a counseling or substance abuse related field. One semester credit hour is equal to 15 clock hours of education. Qualifying education shall include 276 clock hours in the following areas:

- (a) 90 hours in the field of alcohol abuse
- (b) 90 hours in the field of drug abuse
- (c) 90 hours in the field of counseling
- (d) six hours that pertain specifically to alcohol and drug counseling ethics training, (must be acquired two years prior to submission of an application).

N.M. Admin. Code 16.27.11.9

F. Education and training for substance abuse counselors means formal classroom education, workshops, seminars, institutes, in-service training programs, professional continuing education and coursework from accredited and non-accredited institutions. Practicum as it relates to the substance abuse counselor includes 300 hours in the twelve core functions listed below.

- (1) screening
 - (2) intake
 - (3) orientation
 - (4) assessment
 - (5) treatment planning
 - (6) counseling
 - (7) case management
 - (8) crisis intervention
 - (9) client education
 - (10) referral
 - (11) reports and record keeping
 - (12) consultation with professionals
- N.M. Admin. Code 16.27.1.7

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes, as indicated

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

300 hour practicum

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(9) client education
(10) referral
(11) reports and record keeping
(12) consultation with professionals
N.M. Admin. Code 16.27.1.7

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

An alcohol and drug abuse counselor (LADAC) must possess the following qualifications and provide the required documentation with the application..
E. Experience requirements.
(1) associate degree requires a minimum of three years and 3,000 client contact hours under appropriate supervision of experience in the practice of alcohol and drug abuse counseling and 200 hours of appropriate supervision; or
(2) a baccalaureate degree requires a minimum of two years and 2,000 client contact hours under appropriate supervision of experience in the practice of alcohol and drug abuse counseling and 100 hours of appropriate supervision; or
(3) a masters or doctoral degree requires a minimum of one year and 1,000 client contact hours under appropriate supervision of experience in the practice of alcohol and drug abuse counseling and 50 hours of appropriate supervision.
N.M. Admin. Code 16.27.11.9

Exam(s) Required

An alcohol and drug abuse counselor (LADAC) must possess the following qualifications and provide the required documentation with the application.
C. Applicant must demonstrate professional

competency by passing the national certification examination for addiction counselors (NCAC level 1)
N.M. Admin. Code 16.27.11.9

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

N.M. Stat. Ann. § Ch. 61, art. 9A (West)
N.M. Admin. Code tit. 16, Ch. 27, Pt. 11

Notes

None


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State/Territory	New York
Board/Agency Name	Office of Addiction Services and Supports
Board/Agency Website	https://oasas.ny.gov/providers/credentialing
License Title	Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor (CASAC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>High School Diploma or High School Equivalency (HSE) diploma; If you are a CASAC applicant who holds an Associate's, Bachelor's or Master's Degree in approved Human Services fields, or are a student pursuing any of these degrees, some of the course work associated with your degree may be claimed toward satisfying some or all of the CASAC education and training requirements. In order to determine what coursework may be applicable, your college transcript(s) should be submitted with your application.</p> <p>https://oasas.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/02/approved-human-service-degrees.pdf</p> <p>Section 853.7. Additional qualifications to become a Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor (CASAC) or CASAC-Trainee</p> <p>(c) Education and Training. An applicant must have completed 350 clock hours of education and training as determined by the Office. Minimum hourly subject matter requirements may be established and approved by the Office.</p>

AUTHORIZED USE ONLY

(d) CASAC-Trainee.

(1) The Office shall issue a Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor Trainee (CASAC-T) certificate to an applicant who has met the minimum qualifications of section 853.5(a) and (b) of this Part and:

(i) has completed the 350 clock hours of education and training as required by the Office, or

(ii) has completed: a minimum of 4,000 of the required 6,000 hours of work experience as required by the Office, a minimum of 85 clock hours of education and training as required by the Office, and fifteen (15) hours of addiction specific ethics for counselors.

(2) A CASAC-Trainee certificate shall be valid from the date of issuance until the end of the five-year active application period, unless the trainee certificate is revoked by the Office.

(3) No applicant shall be considered for a CASAC-Trainee a second time.

(4) A CASAC-Trainee ("CASAC-T") may not be considered a Qualified Health Professional ("QHP") as defined in Part 800 of this Title for any purpose other than satisfying a qualified health professional clinical staff ratio requirement.

N.Y. Comp. Codes R. & Regs. tit. 14, § 853.7

From the Board's website: CASAC Initial Application

Standardized Curriculum

Together with certified Education and Training Providers, OASAS has developed a 350-Hour certificate program to serve as the basis for a standardized, comprehensive CASAC curriculum. This program was developed to assure that all CASAC

applicants have adequate exposure to the full range of SUD counselor competencies consisting of knowledge, skills and/or attitudes in physical and pharmacological effects, diversity in different treatment approaches (including medication supported recovery), and an emphasis on professional and ethical responsibilities. This curriculum became effective on January 1, 2014.

Academic Transcript

An academic transcript through an accredited institution may be submitted toward meeting some or all of the education and training requirement.

One college credit (graduate or undergraduate) is equivalent to 15 education clock hours.

Minimum Requirements - Summary

Section I – Knowledge of Substance Use Disorders (85 clock hours)

Section I must include the following course content:

A minimum of 4 hours in this section MUST be related to tobacco use and nicotine dependence

A minimum of 3 hours MUST include "Supporting Recovery with Medications for Addiction Treatment (MAT)"

(available free of charge at:
<http://healthknowledge.org/course/search.php?search=Medication+Assisted>)

Basic Knowledge: Physical, Psychological, and Pharmacological Effects

Overview of the Addictions Field

Diversity of Intervention and Treatment Approaches

Introduction to Diagnostic Criteria

Knowledge of 12 Step and Mutual Aid Groups

Toxicology Testing/Screening

Section II – Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counseling (150 clock hours)

Section II must include the following course content:

A minimum of 15 hours in this section MUST be related to cultural competence

Foundational Counseling Skills of Individual and Group Counseling

Individual Counseling

Group Counseling

Counseling Special Populations/Cultural Competency

Theories of Human Development and the Relationship to Substance Use

Counseling and Communicating with Families and Significant Others

Integrated Care

• Crisis Management

• Recurrence of Symptoms/Relapse Prevention

Section III – Assessment; Clinical Evaluation; Treatment Planning; Case Management; and Patient, Family and Community Education (70 clock hours)

Section III must include the following course content:

• Screening, Assessment and Evaluation

• Treatment Planning, Client Record Keeping and Discharge Planning

Case Management, Referral and Service Coordination

Patient, Family and Community Education and Prevention

Section IV – Professional and Ethical Responsibilities (45 clock hours) Section IV must include the following course content:

A minimum of 15 hours in this section MUST be specific to Ethics for Addiction Professionals

A minimum of 2 hours in this section MUST include New York State Education Approved Training in Child

Abuse and Maltreatment: Mandated Reporter (offered free of charge at: www.nysmandatedreporter.org)

Counselor-Client Relationships

Ethical Decision Making and Conduct

Confidentiality/Legal Issues

	<input type="checkbox"/> Professional Development <input type="checkbox"/> Counselor Wellness
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	No
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	No
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	No
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	Completion certificate for three hours of "Supporting Recovery with Medications for Addiction Treatment (MAT)" training (offered free of charge at: http://healthknowledge.org/course/search.php?search=Medication+Assisted)
Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	<p>Section 853.7. Additional qualifications to become a Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor (CASAC) or CASAC-Trainee</p> <p>(a) Core competencies.</p> <p>(1) A CASAC must have the knowledge, skills and attitudes in the competency areas identified by the most current edition of "Addiction Counseling Competencies: The Knowledge, Skills and Attitudes of Professional Practice." (Technical Assistance Publication (TAP) Series 21. US Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA), Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, publication No. (SMA) 08-4171, Rockville, MD). These competencies represent acquired knowledge, skills and attitudes demonstrated in supervised practical training in an approved work setting.</p> <p>(2) In a work setting a CASAC or CASAC-T may be limited in their scope of practice depending on the counselor's level of education and experience. Counselors may not knowingly work outside of their scope of practice as defined in standards issued by the Office and available on the agency website.</p> <p>(b) Work experience.</p> <p>(1) An applicant must complete and document a minimum of 6,000 hours of supervised work experience, including provision of direct services, in an approved work setting.</p> <p>(i) At least 2,000 hours of such 6,000 hours of work experience claimed must have been gained during the five (5) years prior to the applicant's submission of work hours to the Office.</p> <p>(ii) At least 50 percent of work experience must be obtained in any approved work setting defined in 853.3(d) (1) or (2); the other 50 percent may be obtained in an approved work setting</p>

as defined in 853.3(d)(3).

(iii) Work experience must include a minimum of 300 hours of supervised practical training in the core competencies referenced in subdivision (a) of this section, while working with service recipients in an approved work setting. Each of the core competencies must be performed for a minimum of ten (10) hours under the direct supervision of a QHP.

(2) Applicants who hold higher educational degrees from an accredited college or institution in an approved human services field, as defined by the Office, may substitute the highest level degree for work experience requirements of paragraph (1) as follows:

(i) an associate's degree may substitute for a maximum of 1,000 hours of work experience;

(ii) a bachelor's degree may substitute for a maximum of 2,000 hours of work experience;

(iii) a master's degree or higher may substitute for a maximum of 4,000 hours of work experience.

(3) Work experience must include regular, on-site documented clinical supervision by a QHP.

(c) Education and Training. An applicant must have completed 350 clock hours of education and training as determined by the Office. Minimum hourly subject matter requirements may be established and approved by the Office.

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N.Y. Comp. Codes R. & Regs. tit. 14, § 853.7

Exam(s) Required

Section 853.7. Additional qualifications to become a Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor (CASAC) or CASAC-Trainee

- (e) Examination.
 - (1) An applicant must pass the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) Alcohol and Drug Counselor (ADC) examination to receive a CASAC credential.
 - (2) The examination may be administered to an applicant who complies with § 853.5(a) and (b) and has completed the required minimum 350 hours of education and training.
 - (3) If the applicant receives a passing score, such person will be eligible to receive a CASAC credential upon Office determination that all eligibility requirements have been completed.
- N.Y. Comp. Codes R. & Regs. tit. 14, § 853.7

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

N.Y. Mental Hyg. Law Ch. 27, tit. D (McKinney)
N.Y. Comp. Codes R. & Regs. Title 14, Ch. XXI, Pt. 853

Notes

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State/Territory	North Carolina
Board/Agency Name	The North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board (NCASPPB)
Board/Agency Website	https://www.ncsappb.org/
License Title	Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	(c) The Board shall issue a license credentialing an applicant as a "Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist" if, in addition to meeting the requirements of subdivisions (a) (1) through (5a) of this section, the applicant meets one of the following criteria: (1) Criteria A.--The applicant: a. Has a minimum of a master's degree with a clinical application in a human services field from a regionally accredited college or university. b. Has two years postgraduate supervised substance use disorder counseling

experience.

c. Submits three letters of reference from licensed clinical addictions specialists or certified alcohol and drug counselors who have obtained master's degrees.

d. Has achieved a passing score on a master's level written examination administered by the Board.

e. Has attained 180 hours of substance use disorder specific training from either a regionally accredited college or university, which may include unlimited independent study, or from training events of which no more than fifty percent (50%) shall be in independent study. All hours shall be credited according to the standards set forth in G.S. 90-113.41A.

f. The applicant has documented completion of a minimum of 300 hours of supervised practical training and has provided a Board-approved supervision contract between the applicant and an applicant supervisor.

(2) Criteria B.--The applicant:

a. Has a minimum of a master's degree with a clinical application in a human services field from a regionally accredited college or university.

b. Has been certified as a substance abuse counselor.

c. Repealed by S.L. 2008-130, § 4, eff. July 28, 2008.

d. Has achieved a passing score on a master's level written examination administered by the Board.

e. Submits three letters of reference from either licensed clinical addictions specialists or certified alcohol and drug counselors who have obtained master's degrees.

(3) Criteria C.--The applicant:

a. Has a minimum of a master's degree in a human services field with both a clinical application and a substance use disorder specialty from a regionally accredited college

or university that includes 180 hours of substance use disorder specific education and training pursuant to G.S. 90-113.41A.
b. Has one year of postgraduate supervised substance use disorder counseling experience.

c. Has achieved a passing score on a master's level written examination administered by the Board.

d. Submits three letters of reference from licensed clinical addictions specialists or certified alcohol and drug counselors who have obtained master's degrees.

(4) Criteria D.--The applicant has a substance use disorder certification from a professional discipline that has been granted deemed status by the Board.

N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 90-113.40

(5) "Clinical setting" means a location where the primary purpose is the delivery of behavioral health care to clients, patients, and consumers.

(14) "Full-time" means 2,000 hours of substance use disorder professional experience per year.

21 N.C. Admin. Code 68.0101

In addition to meeting the requirements of G.S. 90-113.40, an applicant seeking licensure as a clinical addictions specialist shall submit the following:

(1) Documentation of completion of:

(a) Six hours of HIV/AIDS/STDS/TB/Bloodborne pathogens training and education;

(b) Six hours of clinical ethics training;

(c) Six hours of clinical supervision specific training; and

(d) Six hours selected from the following list:

(i) nicotine use disorder;

(ii) psychopathology;

(iii) evidence-based treatment;

- (iv) substance use disorder issues and older adults;
- (v) substance use disorder issues and veterans; and
- (vi) substance use disorder issues and domestic violence.

All hours listed in this Item may be included in the 180 hours of substance use disorder training required for licensure;

(2) A copy of a substance use disorder specialty certificate or transcript if the applicant is applying under Criteria C as defined in G.S. 90-113.40 (c)(3), or is seeking education credit as described in Item (1) of this Rule under any other criteria outlined in G.S. 90-113.40 (c);

(3) An official transcript of completed masters or other advanced degree in a human services field with a clinical application as found in Rule .0101(5) of this Chapter, if not previously submitted under Item (2) of this Rule;

(4) A completed application found on the Board's website; and

(5) Payment of the following fees:

(a) All applicants who are in the deemed status group shall make payment of a non-refundable application fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) and payment of a non-refundable credentialing fee of forty dollars (\$40.00).

(b) All other applicants shall make payment of an application fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and payment of a non-refundable certification fee of two hundred dollars (\$200.00).

(c) All applicants seeking credentialing pursuant to Criteria A, Criteria B, and Criteria C of G.S. 90-113.40(c) shall make payment of a non-refundable examination fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00). An applicant seeking credentialing pursuant to Criteria D (Deemed Status) who has not completed an examination as required by G.S 90-

113.41(b), shall complete and pass the examination at his or her own expense. 21 N.C. Admin. Code 68.0305

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

(a) All applicants for the certified alcohol and drug counselor or the clinical addictions specialist credential shall complete a 300 hour practicum supervised by an applicant supervisor and the practicum shall cover all core functions of addictions counseling as set forth by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium which is hereby incorporated by reference and available in the Candidate Guides including subsequent amendments or editions at internationalcredentialing.org. The practicum shall be supervised at a ratio of one hour of supervision for every 10 hours of practice.

(b) Upon completion of the 300 hours of practice, the supervisor shall complete an evaluation reviewing the applicant's development and provide it to the Board, documenting the 300 hours of practice.

(c) The 300 hour practicum of the Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor and the Certified Prevention Specialist may be completed as part of an academic course of study in a regionally accredited college or university or may be developed in a work setting when supervised by an applicant supervisor. The

300 hour practicum may be completed as part of the three years (or 6,000 hours) of alcohol and drug counseling experience required for certification.

(d) The 300 hour practicum of the Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist Criteria A applicant shall be completed as part of the required two years postgraduate supervised clinical addictions counseling and does not include the clinical application or practical training completed as a part of the master's degree used to apply for the Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist.

21 N.C. Admin. Code 68.0204

(c) The Board shall issue a license credentialing an applicant as a "Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist" if, in addition to meeting the requirements of subdivisions (a) (1) through (5a) of this section, the applicant meets one of the following criteria:

(1) Criteria A.--The applicant:

a. Has a minimum of a master's degree with a clinical application in a human services field from a regionally accredited college or university.

b. Has two years postgraduate supervised substance use disorder counseling experience.

(2) Criteria B.--The applicant:

a. Has a minimum of a master's degree with a clinical application in a human services field from a regionally accredited college or university.

b. Has been certified as a substance abuse counselor.

(3) Criteria C.--The applicant:

a. Has a minimum of a master's degree in a human services field with both a clinical application and a substance use disorder specialty from a regionally accredited college or university that includes 180 hours of substance use disorder specific education

and training pursuant to G.S. 90-113.41A.
b. Has one year of postgraduate supervised substance use disorder counseling experience.

(4) Criteria D.--The applicant has a substance use disorder certification from a professional discipline that has been granted deemed status by the Board.

N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 90-113.40

Exam(s) Required

IC&RC AADC exam

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 90-113.
21 N.C. Admin. Code 68.

Notes

(a) All applicants for the certified alcohol and drug counselor or the clinical addictions specialist credential shall complete a 300 hour practicum supervised by an applicant supervisor and the practicum shall cover all core functions of addictions counseling as set forth by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium which is hereby incorporated by reference and available in the Candidate Guides including subsequent amendments or editions at

internationalcredentialing.org. The practicum shall be supervised at a ratio of one hour of supervision for every 10 hours of practice.

(b) Upon completion of the 300 hours of practice, the supervisor shall complete an evaluation reviewing the applicant's development and provide it to the Board, documenting the 300 hours of practice.

(d) The 300 hour practicum of the Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist Criteria A applicant shall be completed as part of the required two years postgraduate supervised clinical addictions counseling and does not include the clinical application or practical training completed as a part of the master's degree used to apply for the Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist.

21 N.C. Admin. Code 68.0204

.0214 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY
SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SPECIALTY
CURRICULA

(a) A college or university program shall notify the Board of its intent to provide a substance use disorder specialty curricula. Persons completing master's level substance use disorder specialty curricula shall be considered "Criteria C" applicants as defined in G.S. 90-113.40 (c)(3).

(b) Upon notification of the school's intent to provide a substance use disorder specialty curriculum, the Board shall inform the school that the following information shall be needed from the applicant school:

(1) curricula description including number of hours of substance use disorder specific credits;

(2) information as to how the educational requirements for substance use disorder specialty shall be met within the curricula pursuant to G.S. 90-113.41A(a)(2) a.-k.;

(3) names and resume of any faculty who shall be teaching the substance use disorder curricula;

(4) name of the school or college in which the substance use disorder curricula shall be housed and organizational contact information; and

(5) specific guidelines and information on the field experience that shall be required of students including current substance use disorder specific field placements and supervision. A clinical supervisor intern or certified clinical supervisor shall supervise the students enrolled in the substance use disorder specialty curricula described in Rule .0204 of this Section.

(c) The Standards Committee shall review curricula to determine if the proposal meets educational, hour, substance use disorder specific and supervised experience qualifications.

(d) The Standards Committee shall present recommendations to the Board.

(e) The Board shall notify the school of the status of its request and any recommendation.

(f) The curricula shall be submitted for review every three years. A previously approved substance use disorder specialty curricula school may forgo review by notifying the Board that there have been no changes to the course content of the approved curricula.

21 N.C. Admin. Code 68.0214

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State/Territory	North Dakota
Board/Agency Name	North Dakota Board of Addiction Counseling Examiners (NDBACE)
Board/Agency Website	https://www.ndbace.org
License Title	Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	Yes, by the national addiction studies accreditation committee, the international coalition for addiction studies and education accreditation, or counsel for accreditation of counseling and related educational programs for addiction counseling.
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	4.5-02.1-01-03. Academic requirements. All academic requirements related to the registration of clinical trainees and interns, and the licensing of addiction counselors must be completed at a college or university accredited by one of six regional institutional accreditors in the United States. An applicant for licensure shall have at least one of the following: 1. Trainee. An individual meets the academic

requirements for registration as a trainee if the individual:

a. Has been accepted into or completed an academic program that meets the academic requirements for licensure as an addiction counselor or a master addiction counselor.

b. Is no more than six credits short of meeting all academic requirements for licensure as either an addiction counselor or a master addiction counselor.

2. Licensed addiction counselor and licensed clinical addiction counselor. An individual meets the academic requirements for licensure as an addiction counselor or as a licensed clinical addiction counselor, if the individual possesses:

a. A bachelor's, master's, or doctorate degree in addiction studies from a program accredited by the national addiction studies accreditation committee, the international coalition for addiction studies and education accreditation, or counsel for accreditation of counseling and related educational programs for addiction counseling; or

b. A bachelor's, master's, or doctorate degree in addiction studies or a closely related mental health care field, including a minimum of twenty-seven undergraduate credits meeting the following content and credit requirements:

(1) A minimum of three credits in theories and techniques of counseling that must include content in theories specific to addiction counseling, counseling techniques specific to addiction counseling, and American society of addiction medicine criteria.

(2) A minimum of three credits in group counseling.

(3) A minimum of three credits in psychopharmacology that must include an overview of drugs of abuse.

(4) A minimum of three credits in dynamics

of addiction or introduction to addiction studies that must include content in the history of addiction counseling and addiction treatment methods.

(5) A minimum of three credits in professional ethics that must include content specific to addiction counseling, the national association for alcoholism and drug abuse counselors code of ethics, and 42 CFR part 2.

(6) A minimum of three credits in family systems that must include content specific to family systems theories.

(7) A minimum of three credits in lifespan development.

(8) A minimum of three credits in multicultural diversity.

(9) A minimum of three credits in co-occurring disorders that must include content in the assessment and diagnosis of substance abuse disorders and an overview of a broad range of mental health disorders.

N.D. Admin. Code 4.5-02.1-01-03

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

Nine hundred sixty clinical training hours earned at two or more training sites at a training consortium. Completion forms or final performance reviews must include documentation of the provision of at least:
(1) Forty hours of direct, face-to-face

supervision in each of the following clinical training areas: screening and American society of addiction medicine assessment; treatment planning; counseling; and client, family, and community education.

(2) Thirty hours in the clinical training area of documentation, which must include the supervisor reviewing and discussing clinical notes with the supervisee.

1. The board shall issue an initial license as an addiction counselor, licensed clinical addiction counselor, or masters addiction counselor to an applicant who has met all of the following requirements:

c. Successfully completed a clinical training program approved by the board or accumulated experience as established by the board by rule.

2. For the clinical training program or accumulated experience required of an intern seeking initial licensure, at least fifty percent of the required supervision must be provided by a supervising licensed addiction counselor, and the additional supervision may be with other professionals who are designated by the supervising addiction counselor, approved by the board, and competent in the area of practice being supervised. The other professional must be registered as a clinical supervisor by the board that licenses the other professional.

N.D. Cent. Code Ann. § 43-45-05.1 (West)

1. All clinical training hours must involve the clinical application of addiction counseling and be completed at a training consortium, one or more sites approved by the board, through a university placement or through an individualized training program approved by the board. Clinical training hours must be supervised by a registered clinical supervisor who is either a licensed clinical addiction

counselor or a licensed master addiction counselor. Licensed addiction counselors who are registered clinical supervisors may supervise clinical training hours through December 31, 2023.

2. During clinical training a supervisee may not work independently with clients and the supervisor shall provide direct observation of all addiction-specific work performed by the supervisee with clients, until the supervisee obtains a score of three or higher in that particular clinical training area as documented by the supervisor on a supervisee monthly progress report. After being rated three or higher in a clinical training area, a supervisor shall provide appropriate indirect supervision to the supervisee on that clinical training area. The clinical supervisor shall sign all supervisee monthly progress reports.

3. Clinical training areas include:

- a. Screening and American society of addiction medicine assessment;
- b. Treatment planning;
- c. Referral;
- d. Service coordination and documentation;
- e. Counseling;
- f. Client, family, and community education;
- g. Documentation; and
- h. Professional and ethical responsibilities.

4. The training program director or clinical supervisor shall maintain monthly supervisee progress reports and retain them for at least twenty-four months. The board may carry out audits of monthly supervisee progress reports as it deems appropriate.

5. The training consortium's training program director or the clinical supervisor shall submit to the board completion forms and final performance reviews for each supervisee. The final performance review must demonstrate scores of three or higher in each of the clinical training areas.

6. Clinical training requirements also include a minimum of the following:

- a. Licensed addiction counselor. Nine hundred sixty clinical training hours earned at two or more training sites at a training consortium. Completion forms or final performance reviews must include documentation of the provision of at least:
 - (1) Forty hours of direct, face-to-face supervision in each of the following clinical training areas: screening and American society of addiction medicine assessment; treatment planning; counseling; and client, family, and community education.
 - (2) Thirty hours in the clinical training area of documentation, which must include the supervisor reviewing and discussing clinical notes with the supervisee.

N.D. Admin. Code 4.5-02.1-01-04

Exam(s) Required

An applicant must pass the appropriate written examination as approved by the board. A written examination may be taken only after the completion of the required academic coursework.

1. Licensed addiction counselor. The national certified addiction counselor level II examination or the master addiction counselor examination administered by the national association for alcoholism and drug abuse counselors.

3. Exemption. Individuals licensed in North Dakota as psychologists, psychiatrists, or physicians who possess a doctorate degree in their field of licensure are not required to complete an examination to be eligible for licensure as a licensed addiction counselor or a licensed master addiction counselor.

N.D. Admin. Code 4.5-02.1-01-05

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

N.D. Cent. Code Ann. § 43-45 (West)

N.D. Admin. Code tit. 4.5, art. 4.5-02

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State/Territory	Northern Mariana Islands
Board/Agency Name	Pacific Substance Abuse Mental Health Certification Board
Board/Agency Website	https://www.pbhcc.com/
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not	N/A

Required In-Program)

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program) N/A

Exam(s) Required N/A

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation N/A

Notes None

Last Reviewed Date 1/20/2023

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HISTORY LOGS

No records found.

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State/Territory	Ohio
Board/Agency Name	Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board
Board/Agency Website	https://ocdp.ohio.gov
License Title	Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor II (LCDC II)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	Associate Degree in Behavioral Science (or Bachelor's Degree in any field) OR continuously held CDCA in good standing since 2008 or earlier 180 Hours Substance Use Disorder specific Education

An individual seeking a chemical dependency counselor II license shall meet the requirements of division (A), (B), or (C) of this section or, until three years after the effective date of this amendment, division (A), (B), (C), or (D) of this section.

(A) To meet the requirements of this division, an individual must meet all of the following requirements:

- (1) Hold from an accredited educational institution an associate's degree in a behavioral science or nursing or a bachelor's degree in any field;
- (2) Have not less than the number of hours specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code of compensated work or supervised internship experience in any of the following, not less than twenty per cent of which are in chemical dependency counseling:
 - (a) Chemical dependency services, substance abuse services, or both types of services;
 - (b) The practice of psychology, as defined in section 4732.01 of the Revised Code;
 - (c) The practice of professional counseling, the practice of social work, or the practice of marriage and family therapy, all as defined in section 4757.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) Have a minimum of the number of hours specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code of training in chemical dependency that meets the requirements specified in those rules;

(C) To meet the requirements of this division, an individual must meet all of the following requirements:

- (1) Hold from an accredited educational institution an associate's or bachelor's degree in either of the following with a specialization in chemical dependency counseling:
 - (a) A behavioral science;
 - (b) Nursing.

(2) Have a minimum of one hundred eighty hours of education in chemical dependency that meets the requirements specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code;

(3) While holding a valid chemical dependency counselor assistant certificate, have successfully completed, over the course of not more than any two semesters, at least two hundred forty hours of supervised practicum experience in chemical dependency through a program that meets all of the following requirements:

- (a) The program includes at least two hours per week of supervised practicum experience;
- (b) The program provides intensive outpatient treatment or a higher level of care, or another level of care if specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code;
- (c) The program meets other requirements specified in rules adopted under that section.

(4) Have at least one thousand hours of compensated work experience as a chemical dependency counselor assistant;

(5) Provide to the chemical dependency professionals board a written recommendation from an individual who supervised the individual's practice of chemical dependency counseling as a chemical dependency counselor assistant as required by division (B) of section 4758.59 of the Revised Code;

(6) Pass one or more examinations administered pursuant to section 4758.22 of the Revised Code for the

purpose of determining competence to practice as a chemical dependency counselor II.
Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4758.42 (West)

Effective: April 6, 2023

R.C. § 4758.20

4758.20 Rules

(A) The chemical dependency professionals board shall adopt rules to establish, specify, or provide for all of the following:

(16) For the purpose of division (C)(2) of section 4758.42 of the Revised Code, education requirements for chemical dependency;

Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4758.20 (West)

4758-5-03 Requirements for licensure of chemical dependency counselors II (LCDC II)

To be licensed as a chemical dependency counselor II (LCDC II) the applicant shall :

(D) Complete the hours in either paragraph (D)(1) or (D)(2) of this rule of work, which includes a minimum of twenty percent of those hours in the clinical core functions of substance use disorder treatment services;

(1) Complete two thousand hours of work experience or a combination of work experience plus a supervised internship or supervised apprenticeship

A minimum of two hundred and twenty hours of work in the core functions in paragraph (E) of this rule.

(2) Complete one thousand hours of work:

(a) A minimum of two hundred and twenty hours of work in the core functions in paragraph (E) of this rule.

(b) In addition to the hours, complete an internship

(i) Suitable documentation, provided in a manner specified by the board, is provided.

(ii) Completion at a site that provides experience in substance use disorder intensive outpatient treatment or higher-level care,

(iii) A minimum of two hours per week of clinical supervision,

(iv) Completion of two hundred and forty hours within two semesters, not to exceed three years, and

(v) Completion while holding an active CDCA certificate.

(E) The core functions and minimum hours as follows:

(1) Screening, assessment, and engagement: Forty hours and twenty-five hours must be in assessment;

(2) Treatment planning, collaboration, and referral: Seventy hours and thirty-five hours must be in treatment planning;

(3) Counseling: Ninety hours and thirty-five hours must be of individual and thirty-five hours of group; and

(4) Professional and ethical responsibilities: twenty hours.

(F) Complete the hours of approved education in paragraph (G) of this rule, as follows:

(1) In addition to paragraph (D)(1) of this rule, one hundred eighty hours of education.

(a) Must be substance use disorder specific education;

(b) Fifty per cent of the total hours shall be completed within five years from the date of application; and

(c) Completion may be through:

(i) Board approved continuing education units (CEU)

(ii) Courses completed from an accredited school or university, or

(iii) A combination of paragraphs (F)(1)(c)(i) and (F)(1)(c)(ii) of this rule.

(2) In addition to paragraph (D)(2) of this rule, one hundred eighty hours of education.

(a) Fifty per cent of the total hours shall be completed within three years from the date application, and

(b) From an accredited school or university that is compliant with division (C)(3) of section 4758.42 of the Revised Code.

(G) The education content and minimum hours as follows:

(1) Substance use disorder and recovery knowledge (twenty-four hours);

(2) Counseling procedures and strategies as applied to those with substance use disorder (thirty hours);

(3) Group process and techniques (eighteen hours);

(4) Assessment and diagnosis of substance use disorder (twenty-four hours);

(5) Family dynamics (twenty-four hours);

(6) Pharmacology (eighteen hours, with six hours specific to medication assisted treatment/recovery);

(7) Relapse and recovery strategies (six hours);

(8) Treatment planning (eighteen hours); and

(9) Legal and ethical issues pertaining to substance use disorder professionals (eighteen hours).

(H) The board shall have sole discretion to determine if documentation submitted is suitable.

HISTORY: 2022-23 OMR pam. # 12 (R-E), eff. 7-3-23;

Ohio Admin. Code 4758-5-03

4758-2-01 Definitions, abbreviations and titles

In addition to the definitions set forth in Chapter 4758. of the Revised Code, the following meanings shall apply to all rules promulgated by the Chemical Dependency Professionals board, unless the word or term is explicitly defined or used in different manner in a specific paragraph under one of the provisions.

(CC) "One quarter hour" equals ten clock hours.

(DD) "One semester hour" equals fifteen clock hours.

HISTORY: 2022-23 OMR pam. # 12 (A), eff. 7-3-23;

Ohio Admin. Code 4758-2-01

From the Board's website
SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER (SUD) SPECIFIC EDUCATION CONTENT AREA
https://ocdp.ohio.gov/wps/wcm/connect/gov/2279af16-6879-4c1d-9bdd-e0c802d9417d/Substance+Use+Disorder+%28SUD%29+Specific+Education+Content+Areas_.pdf?MOD=AJPERES&CONVERT_TO=url&CACHEID=ROOTWORKSPACE.Z18_K9I401S01H7F40QBNJU3S01F56-2279af16-6879-4c1d-9bdd-e0c802d9417d-oFjNrMG

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

4758-5-03 Requirements for licensure of chemical dependency counselors II (LCDC II)
To be licensed as a chemical dependency counselor II (LCDC II) the applicant shall :
(F) Complete the hours of approved education in paragraph (G) of this rule, as follows:
(1) In addition to paragraph (D)(1) of this rule, one hundred eighty hours of education.
(a) Must be substance use disorder specific education;
(b) Fifty per cent of the total hours shall be completed within five years from the date of application; and
(c) Completion may be through:
(i) Board approved continuing education units (CEU)
(ii) Courses completed from an accredited school or university, or
(iii) A combination of paragraphs (F)(1)(c)(i) and (F)(1)(c)(ii) of this rule.
(2) In addition to paragraph (D)(2) of this rule, one hundred eighty hours of education.
(a) Fifty per cent of the total hours shall be completed within three years from the date application, and
(b) From an accredited school or university that is compliant with division (C)(3) of section 4758.42 of the Revised Code.
HISTORY: 2022-23 OMR pam. # 12 (R-E), eff. 7-3-23;
Ohio Admin. Code 4758-5-03

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

A minimum of two hundred twenty hours of work in the core functions - may be a combination of work experience plus a supervised internship or apprenticeship

4758-5-03 Requirements for licensure of chemical dependency counselors II (LCDC II)
To be licensed as a chemical dependency counselor II (LCDC II) the applicant shall :
(D) Complete the hours in either paragraph (D)(1) or (D)(2) of this rule of work, which includes a minimum of twenty percent of those hours in the clinical core functions of substance use disorder treatment services;
(1) Complete two thousand hours of work experience or a combination of work experience plus a supervised internship or supervised apprenticeship
A minimum of two hundred and twenty hours of work in the core functions in paragraph (E) of this rule.
(2) Complete one thousand hours of work:
(a) A minimum of two hundred and twenty hours of work in the core functions in paragraph (E) of this rule.
(b) In addition to the hours, complete an internship
(i) Suitable documentation, provided in a manner specified by the board, is provided.
(ii) Completion at a site that provides experience in substance use disorder intensive outpatient treatment or higher-level care,
(iii) A minimum of two hours per week of clinical supervision,
(iv) Completion of two hundred and forty hours within two semesters, not to exceed three years, and
(v) Completion while holding an active CDCA certificate.
(E) The core functions and minimum hours as follows:
(1) Screening, assessment, and engagement: Forty hours and twenty-five hours must be in assessment;
(2) Treatment planning, collaboration, and referral: Seventy hours and thirty-five hours must be in treatment planning;
(3) Counseling: Ninety hours and thirty-five hours must be of individual and thirty-five hours of group; and
(4) Professional and ethical responsibilities: twenty hours.
HISTORY: 2022-23 OMR pam. # 12 (R-E), eff. 7-3-23;
Ohio Admin. Code 4758-5-03

4758.42 Chemical dependency counselor II license

An individual seeking a chemical dependency counselor II license shall meet the requirements of division (A), (B), or (C) of this section or, until three years after the effective date of this amendment, division (A), (B), (C), or (D) of this section.

(A) To meet the requirements of this division, an individual must meet all of the following requirements:

- (1) Hold from an accredited educational institution an associate's degree in a behavioral science or nursing or a bachelor's degree in any field;
- (2) Have not less than the number of hours specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code of compensated work or supervised internship experience in any of the following, not less than twenty per cent of which are in chemical dependency counseling:
 - (a) Chemical dependency services, substance abuse services, or both types of services;

- (b) The practice of psychology, as defined in section 4732.01 of the Revised Code;
 - (c) The practice of professional counseling, the practice of social work, or the practice of marriage and family therapy, all as defined in section 4757.01 of the Revised Code.
 - (3) Have a minimum of the number of hours specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code of training in chemical dependency that meets the requirements specified in those rules;
 - (4) Pass one or more examinations administered pursuant to section 4758.22 of the Revised Code for the purpose of determining competence to practice as a chemical dependency counselor II.
 - (B) To meet the requirement of this division, an individual must hold, on December 23, 2002, a certificate or credentials that were accepted under former section 3793.07 of the Revised Code as authority to practice as a certified chemical dependency counselor II.
 - (C) To meet the requirements of this division, an individual must meet all of the following requirements:
 - (1) Hold from an accredited educational institution an associate's or bachelor's degree in either of the following with a specialization in chemical dependency counseling:
 - (a) A behavioral science;
 - (b) Nursing.
 - (2) Have a minimum of one hundred eighty hours of education in chemical dependency that meets the requirements specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code;
 - (3) While holding a valid chemical dependency counselor assistant certificate, have successfully completed, over the course of not more than any two semesters, at least two hundred forty hours of supervised practicum experience in chemical dependency through a program that meets all of the following requirements:
 - (a) The program includes at least two hours per week of supervised practicum experience;
 - (b) The program provides intensive outpatient treatment or a higher level of care, or another level of care if specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code;
 - (c) The program meets other requirements specified in rules adopted under that section.
 - (4) Have at least one thousand hours of compensated work experience as a chemical dependency counselor assistant;
 - (5) Provide to the chemical dependency professionals board a written recommendation from an individual who supervised the individual's practice of chemical dependency counseling as a chemical dependency counselor assistant as required by division (B) of section 4758.59 of the Revised Code;
 - (6) Pass one or more examinations administered pursuant to section 4758.22 of the Revised Code for the purpose of determining competence to practice as a chemical dependency counselor II.
 - (D) To meet the requirements of this division, an individual must meet all of the following requirements:
 - (1) Since at least December 31, 2008, continuously have done both of the following:
 - (a) Held a valid chemical dependency counselor assistant certificate;
 - (b) Practiced chemical dependency counseling while under supervision as required by division (B) of section 4758.59 of the Revised Code.
 - (2) Provide to the board a written recommendation from an individual who supervised the individual's practice of chemical dependency counseling as a chemical dependency counselor assistant;
 - (3) Have a minimum of the number of hours specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code of training in chemical dependency that meets the requirements specified in those rules;
 - (4) Pass one or more examinations administered pursuant to section 4758.22 of the Revised Code for the purpose of determining competence to practice as a chemical dependency counselor II.
- Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4758.42 (West)

4732.01 Definitions

As used in this chapter:

(B) The "practice of psychology" means rendering or offering to render to individuals, groups, organizations, or the public any service involving the application of psychological procedures to assessment, diagnosis, prevention, treatment, or amelioration of psychological problems or emotional or mental disorders of individuals or groups; or to the assessment or improvement of psychological adjustment or functioning of individuals or groups, whether or not there is a diagnosable pre-existing psychological problem. Practice of psychology includes the practice of independent school psychology and the practice of school psychology. For purposes of this chapter, teaching or research shall not be regarded as the practice of psychology, even when dealing with psychological subject matter, provided it does not otherwise involve the professional practice of psychology in which an individual's welfare is directly affected by the application of psychological procedures.

Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4732.01 (West)

Effective: October 3, 2023

R.C. § 4757.01

4757.01 Definitions

As used in this chapter:

(A) "Practice of professional counseling" means rendering or offering to render to individuals, groups, organizations, or the general public a counseling service involving the application of clinical counseling principles, methods, or procedures to assist individuals in achieving more effective personal, social, educational, or career development and adjustment, including the diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional disorders.

(C) "Practice of social work" means the application of social work theory and specialized knowledge of human development and behavior and social, economic, and cultural systems in directly assisting

individuals, families, and groups in a clinical setting to improve or restore their capacity for social functioning, including counseling, the use of psychosocial interventions, and the use of social psychotherapy, which includes the diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional disorders.
 (H) "Practice of marriage and family therapy" means the diagnosis, treatment, evaluation, assessment, counseling, and management, of mental and emotional disorders, whether cognitive, affective or behavioral, within the context of marriage and family systems, to individuals, couples, and families, singly or in groups, whether those services are offered directly to the general public or through public or private organizations, for a fee, salary or other consideration through the professional application of marriage and family theories, therapies, and techniques, including, but not limited to psychotherapeutic theories, therapies and techniques that marriage and family therapists are educated and trained to perform.
 Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4757.01 (West)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

Complete two thousand hours of work experience or a combination of work experience plus a supervised internship or supervised apprenticeship

4758-5-03 Requirements for licensure of chemical dependency counselors II (LCDC II)

To be licensed as a chemical dependency counselor II (LCDC II) the applicant shall :

(D) Complete the hours in either paragraph (D)(1) or (D)(2) of this rule of work, which includes a minimum of twenty percent of those hours in the clinical core functions of substance use disorder treatment services;

(1) Complete two thousand hours of work experience or a combination of work experience plus a supervised internship or supervised apprenticeship

A minimum of two hundred and twenty hours of work in the core functions in paragraph (E) of this rule.

(2) Complete one thousand hours of work:

(a) A minimum of two hundred and twenty hours of work in the core functions in paragraph (E) of this rule.

(b) In addition to the hours, complete an internship

(i) Suitable documentation, provided in a manner specified by the board, is provided.

(ii) Completion at a site that provides experience in substance use disorder intensive outpatient treatment or higher-level care,

(iii) A minimum of two hours per week of clinical supervision,

(iv) Completion of two hundred and forty hours within two semesters, not to exceed three years, and

(v) Completion while holding an active CDCA certificate.

(E) The core functions and minimum hours as follows:

(1) Screening, assessment, and engagement: Forty hours and twenty-five hours must be in assessment;

(2) Treatment planning, collaboration, and referral: Seventy hours and thirty-five hours must be in treatment planning;

(3) Counseling: Ninety hours and thirty-five hours must be of individual and thirty-five hours of group; and

(4) Professional and ethical responsibilities: twenty hours.

Credits

HISTORY: 2022-23 OMR pam. # 12 (R-E), eff. 7-3-23; 2016-17 OMR pam. # 6 (A), eff. 1-1-17; 2012-13 OMR pam. # 10 (A), eff. 5-6-13; 2012-13 OMR pam. # 9 (A*), eff. 3-22-13; 2010-11 OMR pam. #4 (A), eff. 11-15-10; 2007-08 OMR pam. #11 (A), eff. 6-13-08; 2003-04 OMR pam. #10 (E), eff. 6-13-04.

Ohio Admin. Code 4758-5-03

An individual seeking a chemical dependency counselor II license shall meet the requirements of division (A), (B), or (C) of this section or, until three years after the effective date of this amendment, division (A), (B), (C), or (D) of this section.

(A) To meet the requirements of this division, an individual must meet all of the following requirements:

(2) Have not less than the number of hours specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code of compensated work or supervised internship experience in any of the following, not less than twenty per cent of which are in chemical dependency counseling:

(a) Chemical dependency services, substance abuse services, or both types of services;

(b) The practice of psychology, as defined in section 4732.01 of the Revised Code;

(c) The practice of professional counseling, the practice of social work, or the practice of marriage and family therapy, all as defined in section 4757.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) Have a minimum of the number of hours specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code of training in chemical dependency that meets the requirements specified in those rules;

Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4758.42 (West)

Exam(s) Required	The IC&RC alcohol and drug counselor (ADC) examination
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	Ohio Rev. Code Ann. tit. XLVII, Ch. 4758 (West) Ohio Admin. Code 4758
Notes	None
Last Reviewed Date	9/30/2023
Feedback Form (Send us your questions, comments or information about your experience with licensure)	https://forms.gle/zLB3dsG9j6qmx1pU6

HISTORY LOGS

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Update Date	State/Territory	License Type	License Title	Update Made
10/23/2023	Ohio	Alcohol and Drug	Licensed Chemical	See Specific Coursework -Updated 4758.20 (10) has removed course requirements

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State/Territory	Oklahoma
Board/Agency Name	Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors
Board/Agency Website	https://www.okdrugcounselors.org/
License Title	Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>G. In addition to the qualifications specified in subsection C of this section, each applicant for a certificate to practice as a certified alcohol and drug counselor shall have:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. At a minimum, a bachelor's degree in a behavioral science field that is recognized by the Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors as appropriate to practice as a certified drug and alcohol counselor in this state;2. Successfully completed at least two (2) years of full-time supervised work

experience. For the purpose of the Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors Act, "two years of full-time work experience" shall be defined as four thousand (4,000) hours of work experience of which at least two thousand (2,000) hours shall consist of providing alcohol and drug counseling services to an individual and/or the individual's family;

3. Successfully completed at least two hundred seventy (270) clock hours of education related to alcohol and drug counseling subjects, theory, practice or research;

4. Successfully completed, as part of or in addition to the education requirements established in paragraph 3 of this subsection, a minimum of forty-five (45) clock hours of specialized training approved by the Board in identifying co-occurring disorders and making appropriate referrals for treatment of co-occurring disorders; and

5. Successfully completed at least three hundred (300) hours of supervised practicum experience in the field of drug and alcohol counseling.

Okl. Stat. Ann. tit. 59, § 1876 (West)

(b) Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor.

(1) An application for certification as a CADC shall be made to the Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors in writing. Such application shall be on a form and in a manner prescribed by the Board. The application shall be accompanied by the fee required by the Act, which shall be retained by the Board and not returned to the applicant.

(2) Each applicant for certification shall:

- (A) Pass an oral and written examination;
- (B) Be at least twenty-one years of age;
- (C) Not have engaged in, nor be engaged in, any practice or conduct which would be grounds for denying, revoking or suspending

a license pursuant to the provisions of the Act;

(D) Otherwise comply with the rules promulgated by the Board pursuant to the provisions of the Act.

(E) At a minimum, a bachelor's degree in a behavioral science field that is recognized by the Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors as appropriate to practice as a certified drug and alcohol counselor in this state;

(F) Have successfully completed at least two (2) years of full-time supervised work experience. For the purpose of the act, "two years of full-time work experience" shall be defined as four thousand (4,000) hours of work experience of which at least two thousand (2,000) hours shall consist of providing alcohol and drug counseling services to an individual and/or the individual's family:

(G) Have successfully completed at least two hundred seventy (270) clock hours of education related to alcohol and drug counseling subjects, theory, practice or research;

(H) Successfully completed, as a part of or in addition to the education requirements established in paragraph three of this subsection, a minimum of forty-five (45) clock hours of specialized training approved by the Board in identifying co-occurring disorders and making appropriate referrals for treatment of co-occurring disorders; and

(I) Successfully completed at least three hundred (300) hours of supervised practicum experience in the field of drug and alcohol counseling.

(J) Complete all requirements for certification including passing the examinations, within five (5) years of the date the application was accepted.

Okla. Admin. Code 38:10-7-2

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

G. In addition to the qualifications specified in subsection C of this section, each applicant for a certificate to practice as a certified alcohol and drug counselor shall have:

5. Successfully completed at least three hundred (300) hours of supervised practicum experience in the field of drug and alcohol counseling

Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 59, § 1876 (West)

From the Board's website: Basic Requirements document dated May 2022: At least 10 hours in each of the 12 Core Functions

(c) Practicum. Practicum supervision may be signed off by anyone who is in a supervisory or educational role and has firsthand knowledge that the candidate did complete the requirement for the practicum. 300 Practicum hours must be documented before a supervision contract will be approved
Okla. Admin. Code 38:10-9-2

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

G. In addition to the qualifications specified in subsection C of this section, each applicant for a certificate to practice as a certified alcohol and drug counselor shall have:

2. Successfully completed at least two (2) years of full-time supervised work experience. For the purpose of the Licensed

Alcohol and Drug Counselors Act, "two years of full-time work experience" shall be defined as four thousand (4,000) hours of work experience of which at least two thousand (2,000) hours shall consist of providing alcohol and drug counseling services to an individual and/or the individual's family; Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 59, § 1876 (West)

Exam(s) Required

1. Pass an examination based on standards established by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium, any successor organization to the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium or another national or international organization recognized by the Board to have similar standards equal to or higher than the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium; Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 59, § 1876 (West)

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 59, § 1870 (West)
Okla. Admin. Code 38:10

Notes

(a) Definitions.
(1) Bachelor of Co-occurring Disorders Certification (BCDC) is a bachelor's degree level credential which shall be achieved by certified alcohol and drug counselors (CADC), or certified alcohol and drug counselors candidates that seek to be certified in co-occurring disorders (COD). This credential is required for CADCs to recognize co-occurring disorders and integrate that into substance abuse treatment.
(b) Qualifications. To be eligible for Board approval as a Bachelors of Co-occurring Disorders Certification, a CADC or CADC candidate must be in good standing and:
(1) Have a minimum education of a bachelor's degree in co-occurring disorders or a behavioral science field with a clinical application from a college or university that

is accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education or an international equivalent if the degree is from an international institution.

(2) 200 clock hours of continuing education units. Most of these should be covered by the appropriate degree in a behavioral science field. This includes a minimum of 140 hours of COD specific training, 30 hours of addiction specific training and 30 hours of mental health specific training to equal 200 hours.

(3) Have completed 4000 hours of co-occurring disorders specific supervised work experience AND 2000 hours of documented work experience in counseling in the last 10 years (6000 hours total).

(4) The two years (4000 hours) of supervised experience requirements for certification as a Bachelor Co-occurring Disorder Credential must be under the supervision of a Board approved co-occurring disorders supervisor.

(5) 200 Hour Practicum with a minimum of 20 hours in each of the domains. The domains include (A) Screening and Assessment, (B) Crisis Prevention and Management, (C) Treatment and Recovery Planning, (D) Counseling and Interventions, (E) Recovery Support and Coordination of Care, (F) Psychopathology and Etiology, (G) Psychopharmacology, and (H) Ethics.

(6) Successfully pass the written exam for Bachelor co-occurring Disorder Credential.

(7) Employed in a nationally accredited or Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services certified agency, unless exempt from such certification.

(8) CADCs shall not provide private or independent practice for co-occurring disorders

(9) This is not a freestanding credential.

(10) This credential is required for CADCs to recognize co-occurring disorders and integrate that into substance abuse treatment.

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State/Territory	Oregon
Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A
Notes	The Mental Health and Addiction Certification Board of Oregon is a private board that offers alcohol and drug counselor certification.
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Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

N/A

Exam(s) Required

N/A

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

N/A

Notes

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Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	N/A
Notes	Certification Board for Professionals in Addiction & Alcoholism of Puerto Rico is a private board that offers addiction counselor certification
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State/Territory	Republic of Palau
Board/Agency Name	Pacific Substance Abuse Mental Health Certification Board
Board/Agency Website	https://www.pbhcc.com/
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not	N/A

Required In-Program)

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program) N/A

Exam(s) Required N/A

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation N/A

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State/Territory	Republic of the Marshall Islands
Board/Agency Name	Pacific Substance Abuse Mental Health Certification Board
Board/Agency Website	https://www.pbhcc.com/
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	N/A
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not	N/A

Required In-Program)

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program) N/A

Exam(s) Required N/A

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation N/A

Notes None

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State/Territory	Rhode Island
Board/Agency Name	Rhode Island Department of Health Board of Licensing for Chemical-Dependency Professionals
Board/Agency Website	https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=282
License Title	Certified Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CAADC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	180 total hours of relevant education/training to the field of substance use disorders. 6 of the hours must be in substance use disorders ethics. 6 of the hours must be in confidentiality. 6 of the hours must be in communicable diseases. 6 of the hours must be in medication assisted treatment.

Confidentiality courses must include 42 CFR and its relationship to HIPAA and other confidentiality laws.

Education is defined as formal, structured instruction in the form of workshops, trainings, seminars, in-services, college/university credit courses, and online education.

There is no limit to the amount of online education that may be submitted.

Most three-credit college/university courses count as 45 hours. One training CE/CEU counts as one hour.

Out of state education is acceptable.

All education/training must be documented.

College courses are documented with an official college transcript.

Trainings are documented with copies of training certificates.

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Clinical internships completed as part of a college degree program may be eligible to use toward the required work experience. Internships must be ones in which the student was providing drug and alcohol counseling as described on page 11 of the application under Work Experience; internships must be well documented by the agency in which the internship occurred; internships must have been supervised; internships must appear on the official college transcript.

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

100 hours On the Job Clinical Supervision
100 hours of on-the-job clinical supervision of qualifying work experience with a minimum of 10 hours of clinical supervision in each counselor domain.

One year (or 2,000 hours) to three years (or 6,000 hours) Clinical Work Experience depending on degree
High School Diploma/GED: three (3) years of full-time employment or 6000 hours of parttime of employment. OR Associate's degree: two and half (2.5) years of full-time employment or 5000 hours of part-time employment. OR Bachelor's degree: two (2) years of full-time employment or 4000 hours of part-time employment. OR Master's degree: one (1) year of full-time employment or 2000 hours of part-time employment.

14. "Experience" means six thousand (6,000) hours of supervised practice of chemical dependency counseling in a Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals licensed or ICRC/AODA member board approved facility during a sixty (60) month period of time immediately preceding the date of application for licensure.

216 R.I. Code R. 40-05-6.3

Exam(s) Required

IC&RC Examination for Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselors (AADC examination)

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

5 R.I. Gen. Laws Ann. § 5-69 (West)
216 R.I. Code R. tit. 216, Ch. 40, Subch. 05, Pt. 6

Notes

None

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State/Territory	South Carolina
Board/Agency Name	South Carolina Board of Examiners for the Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, Addiction Counselors, and Psycho-Educational Specialists.
Board/Agency Website	https://lir.sc.gov/cou/
License Title	Licensed Addiction Counselor Associate
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	Yes, National Addictions Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC) and the Council for Accreditation of Counseling & Related Educational Programs (CACREP). The Board may approve other national educational accrediting bodies which, in the Board's determination, follow similar educational standards.
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, if program is not NASAC or CACREP accredited
Specific Coursework	An applicant for initial licensure as an addiction counselor associate must: (1) submit an application on forms approved by the Board, along with the required fee; and (2) show evidence of graduation from an addiction counseling program accredited by CACREP at the time of graduation; or (3) submit evidence of successful completion of a master's degree, specialist's degree or doctoral degree with a minimum of forty-eight (48) graduate semester hours primarily in counseling or related field from a program accredited by NASAC, CACREP, or one that follows similar educational standards, and from

a college or university accredited by the Commission on the Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, one of its transferring regional associations, the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, or a regionally-accredited institution of higher learning subsequent to receiving the graduate degree. On one's graduate transcript(s) the applicant must demonstrate successful completion of 27 of the 48 hours consisting of courses in the following areas:

- (a) Human growth and development course; and/or
- (b) Social and cultural foundations course; and/or
- (c) Counseling Theory Course; and/or
- (d) Family System Theory Course; and/or
- (e) Career Theory; and/or
- (f) Group Dynamics; and/or
- (g) Screening, Assessment and Clinical Diagnosis within behavioral health; and/or
- (h) Research and evaluation; and/or
- (i) Professional orientation: coursework content providing an understanding of professional roles and functions, professional goals and objectives, professional organizations and associations, professional history and trends, ethical and legal standards, professional preparation standards, and professional credentialing; and
- (j) 6 hours of Substance Use Disorder/Addiction Specific Coursework; and
- (k) Practicum: a minimum of one (1) supervised one hundred (100) hour counseling practicum; and
- (l) Internship: completed an internship, as part of a degree program, of at least six hundred (600) hours, of which three hundred (300) hours must be working primarily with the substance use disordered population with a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) hours of direct client contact; however, if the

300/120 specific hours requirement is not met within the 600 hour internship, a post-graduate experience may be served to meet this requirement; and

(4) submit evidence of a passing score on examinations approved by the Board; and
(5) submit a supervision plan, satisfactory to the Board, designed to take effect after notice of licensure as a Licensed Addiction Counselor Associate. The supervision plan can be submitted with the application, or after the applicant obtains employment; however, an associate cannot begin providing addiction counselor services until a completed satisfactory supervision plan is submitted to and received by the Board.

S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 36-10

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

An applicant for initial licensure as an addiction counselor associate must:

(1) submit an application on forms approved by the Board, along with the required fee; and
(2) show evidence of graduation from an addiction counseling program accredited by CACREP at the time of graduation; or
(3) submit evidence of successful completion of a master's degree, specialist's degree or doctoral degree with a minimum of forty-eight (48) graduate semester hours primarily in counseling or related field from a program accredited by NASAC, CACREP, or one that follows similar educational standards, and from a college or university accredited by the Commission on the Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, one of its transferring regional associations, the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, or a regionally-accredited institution of higher learning subsequent to receiving the graduate degree. On one's graduate transcript(s) the applicant

must demonstrate successful completion of 27 of the 48 hours consisting of courses in the following areas:

(k) Practicum: a minimum of one (1) supervised one hundred (100) hour counseling practicum; and

(l) Internship: completed an internship, as part of a degree program, of at least six hundred (600) hours, of which three hundred (300) hours must be working primarily with the substance use disordered population with a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) hours of direct client contact; however, if the 300/120 specific hours requirement is not met within the 600 hour internship, a post-graduate experience may be served to meet this requirement;

S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 36-10

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

None found

Exam(s) Required

All licensure candidates must take and pass either the:

National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC) Master Addiction Counselor (MAC) Exam

<https://www.naadac.org/mac>

OR

International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) Advanced Alcohol and Drug

Counselor (AADC) Exam

<https://www.internationalcredentialing.org>

Statute/Regulation/Rule

S.C. Code Ann. § 40-75-5

Citation	S.C. Code Ann. Regs. Ch. 36
Notes	None
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State/Territory	South Dakota
Board/Agency Name	South Dakota Board of Addiction and Prevention Professionals (BAPP)
Board/Agency Website	https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/bapp/bapp.aspx
License Title	Licensed Addiction Counselor (LAC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	An applicant for LAC shall meet the following requirements: (1) Have a minimum of a master's degree in a behavioral science field, evidenced by transcript, from an accredited post secondary institution; (2) Have a minimum of three semester hours and a grade of "C" or higher in each of the following specialized education courses, with a minimum of five courses at the graduate level: (a) Addiction counseling theories and techniques; (b) Psychopharmacology or psychopathology; (c) Legal, ethical, and professional standards;

- (d) Case management and assessment of co-occurring disorders;
 - (e) Treatment planning;
 - (f) Clinical supervision; and
 - (g) Multicultural competency;
- S.D. Admin. R. 20:80:05:10

All specialized education courses must be approved by the board and must be completed at an accredited post secondary institution. The applicant shall submit a course evaluation form provided by the board, the required fee, a transcript from the post secondary institution, and the course syllabus. The board shall maintain and make available upon request the list of approved specialized education courses.

S.D. Admin. R. 20:80:05:13

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No but must be approved by the Board

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

An applicant for LAC shall meet the following requirements:

- (3) Have a minimum of 2,000 hours of supervised work experience specific to the alcohol and drug counselor domains, including detailed documentation for a minimum of 300 hours of supervised practical training experience in the 12 core functions with a minimum of ten hours in each core function.

S.D. Admin. R. 20:80:05:10

(17) "Twelve core functions," the 12 core functions

of the alcohol and drug counselor profession contained in the IC&RC alcohol and drug counselor domains: screening, intake, orientation, assessment, treatment planning, counseling, case management, crisis intervention, client education, referral, reports and record keeping, and consultation.

S.D. Admin. R. 20:80:01:01

Exam(s) Required

IC&RC Written Examination

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

S.D. Codified Laws tit. 36, Ch. 36-34
S.D. Admin. R. art. 20:80, Ch. 20:80:

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State/Territory	Tennessee
Board/Agency Name	Tennessee Department of Health Board of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors
Board/Agency Website	https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/ad-board.html
License Title	Level II Licensed Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	270 total hours of alcohol and drug abuse counseling education and training within the eight domains while providing alcohol and drug abuse counseling services under the direct supervision of a Qualified Clinical Supervisor Six (6) hours of the 270 total hours of education shall pertain to alcohol and drug abuse counseling professional ethics

From the Board's FAQ:

6. Do my college course hours count toward the 270 hours?

Yes

(1) Licensure by examination.

(b) Prior to submitting an application to become a Level II Licensed Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor, each of the following minimum qualifications must be met:

1. The applicant must have attained twenty-one (21) years of age.

2. The applicant must be highly regarded as possessing good moral character and professional ethics, as specified in Rule 1200-30-01-.13.

3. The applicant must:

(i) Have a bachelor's degree in a behavioral health related field or higher level degree in a non-behavioral health related field from an accredited institution of higher learning, and submit an official transcript, have completed two (2) years of full time or four thousand (4000) hours of experience while providing alcohol and drug abuse counseling services under the direct supervision of a Qualified Clinical Supervisor who meets the requirements of the rules of the Board and have alcohol and drug abuse counseling education and training within the eight domains, as listed in T.C.A. § 68-24-606; OR

(ii) Have a master's or higher level degree in a behavioral health related field from an accredited institution of higher learning, and submit an official transcript, and have completed one (1) year of full time experience or two thousand (2000) hours of experience while providing alcohol and drug abuse counseling services under the direct supervision of a Qualified Clinical Supervisor who meets the requirements of the rules of the Board and have alcohol and drug abuse counseling education and training within the

eight domains, as listed in T.C.A. § 68-24-606.

(c) Education. The education requirement must be completed prior to the date of application.

2. The Level II applicant must:

(i) Have a bachelor's degree in a behavioral health related field or higher level degree in a non-behavioral health related field from an accredited institution of higher learning, and submit an official transcript, have completed two (2) years of full time or four thousand (4000) hours of experience while providing alcohol and drug abuse counseling services under the direct supervision of a Qualified Clinical Supervisor who meets the requirements of the rules of the Board and have completed (270) total hours of alcohol and drug abuse counseling education and training within the eight domains, as listed in T.C.A. § 68-24-606. There is no time limit in which the two hundred seventy (270) total hours of alcohol and drug abuse counseling education and training within the eight (8) domains must have been obtained; OR

(ii) Have a master's or higher level degree in a behavioral health related field from an accredited institution of higher learning, and submit an official transcript, and have completed one (1) year of full time experience or two thousand (2000) hours of experience while providing alcohol and drug abuse counseling services under the direct supervision of a Qualified Clinical Supervisor who meets the requirements of the rules of the Board and have completed (270) total hours of alcohol and drug abuse counseling education and training within the eight domains, as listed in T.C.A. § 68-24-606. There is no time limit in which the two hundred seventy (270) total hours of alcohol and drug abuse counseling education and training within the eight (8) domains must

have been obtained.

3. Applicants must furnish documentation of six (6) contact hours of education in ethics. This six (6) hour requirement may be part of the two hundred and seventy (270) contact hours of education required for licensure.

4. Applicants seeking to evaluate and treat persons who have been significantly affected by compulsive gambling disorder under Rule 1200-30-01-.02(2) shall have no less than sixty (60) additional hours of specialized education relating to compulsive gambling disorder. Such education shall be in the form of formal classroom hours, annual continuing education hours, or a combination of such hours.

Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1200-30-01-.04

(a) The purpose of this section is to adopt nationally recognized and accepted professional practice domains for licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors.

(b) The professional practice domains and transdisciplinary competencies in which licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors may engage are as follows:

- (1) Clinical evaluation;
- (2) Treatment planning;
- (3) Referral;
- (4) Service coordination;
- (5) Counseling;
- (6) Client, family, and community education;
- (7) Documentation; and
- (8) Professional and ethical responsibilities.

Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-24-606 (West)

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

No

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program

No

Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

(1) Licensure by examination.
(b) Prior to submitting an application to become a Level II Licensed Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor, each of the following minimum qualifications must be met:

3. The applicant must:

(i) Have a bachelor's degree in a behavioral health related field or higher level degree in a non-behavioral health related field from an accredited institution of higher learning, and submit an official transcript, have completed two (2) years of full time or four thousand (4000) hours of experience while providing alcohol and drug abuse counseling services under the direct supervision of a Qualified Clinical Supervisor who meets the requirements of the rules of the Board and have alcohol and drug abuse counseling education and training within the eight domains, as listed in T.C.A. § 68-24-606; OR
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(d) Experience.

2. The Level II applicant must:

(i) Have a bachelor's degree in a behavioral health related field or higher level degree in a non-behavioral health related field from an accredited institution of higher learning, and have completed two (2) years of full time or four thousand (4000) hours of experience while providing alcohol and drug abuse counseling services under the direct supervision of a Qualified Clinical Supervisor who meets the requirements of the rules of the Board; OR

(ii) Have a master's or higher level degree in a behavioral health related field from an accredited institution of higher learning, and have completed one (1) year of full time experience or two thousand (2000) hours of experience while providing alcohol and drug abuse counseling services under the direct supervision of a Qualified Clinical Supervisor who meets the requirements of the rules of the Board.

3. In order for "volunteer" (unpaid), clinically supervised counseling experience to be given credit, the "volunteer" experience must have been accrued in a facility or agency where the institution or agency head authorized the volunteer program, specifically appointed/designated in writing the person as a participant in that volunteer program, and where the services and duties were performed and supervised pursuant to written guidelines, i.e., a "job description".

4. Applicants seeking to evaluate and treat persons who have been significantly affected by compulsive gambling disorder under Rule 1200-30-01-.02(2) shall provide evidence that a portion of the clinically supervised counseling experience included contact with no less than ten (10) patients impacted by a compulsive gambling disorder.

Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1200-30-01-.04

Exam(s) Required

(1) Licensure by examination.
(b) Prior to submitting an application to become a Level II Licensed Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor, each of the following minimum qualifications must be met:
3. The applicant must:
5. The applicant must pass a jurisprudence examination approved by the Board.
6. The applicant must pass the National Certified Addiction Counselor (NCAC) Level II written examination that is administered by the National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NCC AP) or the Master Addiction Counselor (MAC) written examination.
Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1200-30-01-.04

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-24-601 (West)
Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1200-30-01.

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State/Territory	Texas
Board/Agency Name	Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Regulatory Services Division
Board/Agency Website	https://www.hhs.texas.gov/business/licensing-credentialing-regulation/professional-licensing-certification-compliance/licensed-chemical-dependency-counselor-program
License Title	Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	High school diploma or its equivalent = 270 hours (or 18 semester hours) of chemical dependency curricula. Associate degree = 270 hours: 135 hours (or 9 semester hours) specific to substance abuse disorders and treatment and an additional 135 hours, or nine semester hours, specific or related to chemical dependency counseling Bachelor's degree = exempt from the 270 hours

of education

(a) To be eligible for, and to complete an initial application for, a chemical dependency counselor license under this subchapter, an individual must:

(3) hold an associate degree or more advanced degree, with the exception of those LCDs who are renewing an existing license;

(b) The department may waive the 4,000 hours of supervised work experience for individuals who hold a masters or doctoral degree in social work or a counseling-related field, and have 48 semester hours of graduate-level courses. An applicant for waiver shall submit an official college transcript with the official seal of the college and the signature of the registrar, and any other related documentation requested by the department.

25 Tex. Admin. Code § 140.408

(a) To be eligible for counselor intern registration under this subchapter, an individual must:

(1) be at least 18 years of age;

(2) have a high school diploma or its equivalent;

(3) successfully complete 270 classroom hours, or 18 semester hours (or 27 quarter hours), of chemical dependency curricula as described in § 140.406 of this title (relating to Standards for 270 Educational Hours);

(4) complete 300 hours of approved supervised field work practicum as described in § 140.407 of this title (relating to Practicum Standards);

(b) Applicants holding at least a baccalaureate degree in chemical dependency counseling, sociology, psychology, or a major approved by the department as one related to human behavior and development are exempt from the 270 hours of education and the 300 hour practicum. The applicant must submit an official college transcript.

25 Tex. Admin. Code § 140.405

(a) To be eligible for a license under this chapter, a person must:

- (1) be at least 18 years of age;
- (2) hold an associate degree or a more advanced degree;
- (3) have completed:
 - (A) 135 hours, or nine semester hours, specific to substance abuse disorders and treatment and an additional 135 hours, or nine semester hours, specific or related to chemical dependency counseling;

Tex. Occ. Code Ann. § 504.152 (West)

(a) An applicant is exempt from the requirements of Sections 504.152(3)(A) and (C) if the applicant holds a baccalaureate degree or a more advanced degree in:

- (1) chemical dependency counseling; or
- (2) psychology, sociology, or any other related program approved by the department.

(b) On presentation of documentation by an applicant who holds a degree described by Subsection (a), the department may waive any portion of the requirement established by Section 504.152(3)(B) that the department determines has been satisfied as evidenced by the documentation.

Tex. Occ. Code Ann. § 504.153 (West)

§ 140.406. Standards for 270 Educational Hours

(a) At least 135 clock hours (nine semester hours) of the education must be specific to substance use disorders and their treatment. The remaining 135 clock hours may be specific or related to chemical dependency counseling. Related education hours may include courses in psychology, sociology, counseling, mental health, behavioral science, psychiatric nursing, ethics, and rehabilitation counseling.

(b) The education shall be provided by a career school or college, or an accredited institution of higher education.

(c) Educational hours obtained at a career school

or college must follow the curriculum for Transdisciplinary Foundations outlined in the KSAs:

- (1) Understanding Addiction;
- (2) Treatment Knowledge;
- (3) Application to Practice; and
- (4) Professional Readiness.

(d) The department will not accept hours unless documented with a passing grade on an official transcript from the school. The applicant shall submit additional information requested by the department if needed to verify the content of a course.

25 Tex. Admin. Code § 140.406

(28) Knowledge, Skills, and Attitudes (KSAs)--
The knowledge, skills, and attitudes of addictions counseling as defined by CSAT Technical Assistance Publication (TAP 21) "Addictions Counseling Competencies: the Knowledge, Skills, and Attitudes of Professional Practice."

25 Tex. Admin. Code § 140.400

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes, as indicated

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

300 hours of approved supervised field work practicum - may be waived if bachelor's degree in specified areas (see Tex. Occ. Code Ann. § 504.153 (West))

(a) To be eligible for a license under this chapter, a person must:

(3) have completed:

(C) 300 hours of approved supervised field work practicum;

Tex. Occ. Code Ann. § 504.152 (West)

(a) An applicant is exempt from the requirements of Sections 504.152(3)(A) and (C) if the applicant holds a baccalaureate degree or a more advanced degree in:

- (1) chemical dependency counseling; or
- (2) psychology, sociology, or any other related

program approved by the department.

(b) On presentation of documentation by an applicant who holds a degree described by Subsection (a), the department may waive any portion of the requirement established by Section 504.152(3)(B) that the department determines has been satisfied as evidenced by the documentation.

Tex. Occ. Code Ann. § 504.153 (West)

§ 140.407. Practicum Standards

(a) The practicum shall be completed under the administration of a career school or an accredited institution of higher education.

(b) The applicant must complete the practicum under the administration of a single school.

(c) The department will not accept a practicum without an official transcript from the school and a letter from the school's educational coordinator or chair verifying that the practicum was completed in the field of substance abuse.

(d) Practicum hours may be paid or voluntary.

(e) The practicum shall be delivered according to a written training curriculum that provides the student with an orientation to treatment services and exposure to treatment activities in each of the KSA dimensions. The practicum must include the intern observing treatment delivery and the intern providing services under direct observation. The practicum shall include at least 20 hours of experience in each of the KSA dimensions.

(f) All practicum training shall be provided by qualified credentialed counselors (QCCs).

25 Tex. Admin. Code § 140.407

§ 140.400. Definitions

(12) Career School or College--An organization approved and regulated by the Texas Workforce Commission, pursuant to Title 40, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 807 (relating to Career Schools and Colleges), that offers a course of study in chemical dependency

counseling

(28) Knowledge, Skills, and Attitudes (KSAs)--
The knowledge, skills, and attitudes of addictions counseling as defined by CSAT Technical Assistance Publication (TAP 21) "Addictions Counseling Competencies: the Knowledge, Skills, and Attitudes of Professional Practice."

(38) Qualified Credentialed Counselor (QCC)--A licensed chemical dependency counselor or one of the practitioners listed below, if the practitioner is licensed and in good standing in the State of Texas, and, in performing any activity as a QCC, is acting within the authorized scope of the individual's license:

- (A) licensed professional counselor (LPC);
- (B) licensed social worker;
- (C) licensed marriage and family therapist (LMFT);
- (D) licensed psychologist;
- (E) licensed physician;
- (F) licensed physician's assistant;
- (G) certified addictions registered nurse (CARN);
- or
- (H) advanced practice nurse recognized by the Texas Board of Nursing as a clinical nurse specialist or practitioner with a specialty in psychiatric-mental health nursing.

25 Tex. Admin. Code § 140.400

§ 140.422. Direct Supervision of Interns

(a) Direct supervision is oversight and direction of a counselor intern by a CCS, or either the CTI coordinator or the intern's supervising QCC at a CTI, which complies with the provisions in this section. Nothing in this section or subchapter shall be construed to authorize the provision of chemical dependency treatment without a license, where a license is required under Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 464 and Chapter 448 of this title.

(b) The CCS, or the CTI coordinator and the intern's supervising QCC at a CTI, shall assume responsibility for the actions of the intern within

the scope of the intern's clinical training.

(c) If the intern has less than 2,000 hours of supervised work experience, the supervisor must be on site when the intern is providing services. If the intern has at least 2,000 hours of documented supervised work experience, the supervisor may be on site or immediately accessible by telephone.

(d) During an intern's first 1,000 hours of supervised work experience (Level I), the CCS, or the CTI coordinator or intern's supervising QCC at a CTI, shall:

(1) be on duty at the program site where the intern is working;

(2) observe and document the intern performing assigned activities at least once every two weeks (or at least once every 80 hours of the CI's work schedule);

(3) provide and document one hour of face-to-face individual or group supervision each week; and

(4) sign off on all clinical assessments, treatment plans, and discharge summaries completed by the intern.

(e) During an intern's second 1,000 hours of supervised work experience (Level II), the CCS, or the CTI coordinator or intern's supervising QCC at a CTI, shall:

(1) be on duty at the program site where the intern is working;

(2) observe and document the intern performing assigned activities at least once every month (or at least once every 160 hours of the CI's work schedule);

(3) provide and document one hour of face-to-face individual or group supervision each week; and

(4) sign off on all clinical assessments, treatment plans, and discharge summaries completed by the intern.

(f) An individual who has successfully completed the licensing examination may be supervised in accordance with Level III standards set forth in

subsection (g) of this section, but is still required to complete 4,000 hours of supervised work experience before achieving graduate status in the absence of a waiver under § 140.408 of this title (relating to Requirements for LCDC Licensure).

(g) During an intern's last 2,000 hours of required supervised work experience (Level III), the CCS, or the CTI coordinator or intern's supervising QCC at a CTI, shall:

(1) be available by phone while the intern is working;

(2) observe and document the intern performing assigned activities as determined necessary by the CTI coordinator or CCS;

(3) provide and document one hour of face-to-face individual or group supervision each week; and

(4) sign off on all clinical assessments, treatment plans, and discharge summaries completed by the intern.

(h) After an intern achieves graduate status, the CCS, or the CTI coordinator or intern's supervising QCC at a CTI, shall:

(1) be available by phone while the graduate intern is working;

(2) provide and document one hour of face-to-face individual or group supervision each week; and

(3) sign off on all clinical assessments, treatment plans, and discharge summaries completed by the graduate intern.

(i) A supervisor must provide, at a minimum, an average of two hours of supervision-related activity per week per intern.

25 Tex. Admin. Code § 140.422

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not

None found

Required In-Program)

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

(a) To be eligible for a license under this chapter, a person must:
(3) have completed:
(B) 4,000 hours of approved supervised experience working with chemically dependent persons;
Tex. Occ. Code Ann. § 504.152 (West)

(a) To be eligible for, and to complete an initial application for, a chemical dependency counselor license under this subchapter, an individual must:

(4) complete 4,000 hours of approved supervised experience working with chemically dependent individuals as described in § 140.409 of this title (relating to Standards for Supervised Work Experience);

(b) The department may waive the 4,000 hours of supervised work experience for individuals who hold a masters or doctoral degree in social work or a counseling-related field, and have 48 semester hours of graduate-level courses. An applicant for waiver shall submit an official college transcript with the official seal of the college and the signature of the registrar, and any other related documentation requested by the department.

25 Tex. Admin. Code § 140.408

Exam(s) Required

The International Certification Reciprocity Consortium exam

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Tex. Occ. Code Ann. § 504.001 (West)
25 Tex. Admin. Code § 140.

Notes

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State/Territory	U.S. Virgin Islands
Board/Agency Name	Virgin Islands Board of Licensed Counselors and Examiners
Board/Agency Website	https://dlca.vi.gov/boardcertifications/steps/counselorrequirements/
License Title	Licensed Substance Abuse Counselor (LSAC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>From the Board's website: § 207. Licensed Substance Abuse Counselor (LSAC): an individual who renders, for compensation, chemical dependency or addictions counseling or chemical dependency counseling or addictions counseling related services to an individual, group, organization, corporation, institution, or to the general public, who is trained and experience in chemical dependency counseling and addictions counseling, and who is licensed under this chapter to engage in the practice of chemical dependency and addictions counseling.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Has met the requirements set forth in § 206;• Hold a minimum of a master's degree in addictions counseling, professional counseling, counselor education, counseling psychology, community mental health or in a comparable field with a concentration in mental health and substance abuse, with graduate level coursework in each of the following:• Counseling Theory & Practice• Human Growth & Development• Lifestyle & Career Development• Group Dynamics, processes, counseling & consulting• Appraisal/Assessment & Testing of Individuals

- Principles of diagnosis, treatment, planning & prevention of mental & emotional disorders & dysfunctional behavior
- Social & cultural foundation / Multi-cultural counseling
- Marriage and family counseling/therapy
- Research & program evaluation
- Professional orientation & ethics
- Coursework in the core areas relating to the treatment of clients for alcohol and/or drug abuse.
- completion of a minimum of 2500 hours of post-master's professional counseling, of which 2000 involve direct clinical contact under the supervision of a Board approved supervisor and a minimum of 100 hours of clinical supervision;
- Passing score on the NCE/NCMHCE
- Passing score on a substance abuse/addictions exam accepted for certification in any state or territory of the United States, and;

Proves that the education received by the applicant was received from an institution of higher education, which at the time the applicant graduated was accredited by the United States Department of Education and by an accrediting body recognized by the Council on Post-Secondary Accreditation, the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors, or can demonstrate equivalent course work at an institution of higher education located outside the United States, which at the time the applicant was enrolled and at the time the applicant graduated maintained a standard of training substantially equivalent to the standards of training of those institution in the United States which are accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the Council on Post-Secondary Accreditation of the Association of Specialized and professional Accreditors.

- The applicant shall have received education and training from an institution or program of higher education officially recognized by the government of the country in which it is located as an institution or program to train students to practice as professional counselors or psychotherapists.

- The applicant shall have the burden of establishing that the requirements of this paragraph have been met.

- The Board may require documentation, such as an evaluation by a foreign equivalency determination service as evidence that the applicant's graduate degree program and education are equivalent to an accredited program in the United States.
- Completion of a minimum of 5 CEUs, of which the following must be included: 3 clock hours of Ethics.

(a) The Board shall issue a license as a licensed substance abuse counselor if the applicant:

- (1) has met the requirements set forth in section 206;

- (2) has demonstrated to the Board the successful completion of a master's or doctorate degree in addictions counseling, professional counseling, counselor education, counseling psychology, community behavioral health or in a comparable field with a concentration in behavioral health and substance abuse;
 - (3) has demonstrated the completion of course work in the core areas, relating to the treatment of clients for alcohol and/or drugs abuse; and
 - (4) proves that the education received by the applicant was received from an institution of higher education which at the time the applicant graduated, was accredited by the United States Department of Education and by an accrediting body recognized by the Council on Post-Secondary Accreditation the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors, or can demonstrate equivalent course work at an institution of higher education located outside the United States, which at the time the applicant was enrolled and at the time the applicant graduated, maintained a standard of training substantially equivalent to the standards of training of those institutions in the United States which are accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the Council on Post-Secondary Accreditation or the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors.
- (A) The applicant shall have received education and training from an institution or higher education program officially recognized by the government of the country in which it is located as an institution or program to train students to practice as addictions counselors or psychotherapist.
- (B) The applicant shall have the burden of establishing that the requirements of this paragraph have been met.
- (b) The Board may require documentation, such as, an evaluation by a foreign equivalency determination service as evidence that the applicant's graduate degree program and education are equivalent to an accredited program in the United States.
- (c) Nothing in this chapter may be construed to authorize a substance abuse counselor to practice medicine, social work, or psychology, to provide counseling for disorders other than substance abuse, or to order, administer, or interpret psychological tests or utilize psychometric procedures
- VI ST tit. 27, § 207

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes, as indicated

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

Completion of a minimum of 5 CEUs, of which the following must be included: 3 clock hours of Ethics.

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

From the Board's website:
Substance Abuse Counselor: Applicant must have a minimum of a master's degree from master's or doctorate degree in addictions counseling, professional counseling, counselor education, counseling psychology, community behavioral health or in a comparable field with a concentration in behavioral health and substance abuse; ; and no fewer than three years of post-academic degree experience in a professional setting, including a minimum of 2,500 hours of professional counseling, as defined in section 201, of which 1,000 hours involve direct client contact and a minimum of 300 hours of supervised experience under an approved supervisor. (See VIC 27, 4a, Section 207)

Exam(s) Required

NCE/NCMHCE and substance abuse/addictions exam
From the Board's website:
§ 207. Licensed Substance Abuse Counselor (LSAC): an individual who renders, for compensation, chemical dependency or addictions counseling or chemical dependency counseling or addictions counseling related services to an individual, group, organization, corporation, institution, or to the general public, who is trained and experience in chemical dependency counseling and addictions counseling, and who is licensed under this chapter to engage in the practice of chemical dependency and addictions counseling.
• Passing score on the NCE/NCMHCE
• Passing score on a substance abuse/addictions exam accepted for certification in any state or territory of the United States,

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VI ST tit. 27, § 202

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State/Territory	Utah
Board/Agency Name	Utah Department of Commerce Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing Substance Use Disorder Counselor Licensing Board
Board/Agency Website	https://dopl.utah.gov/sudc/
License Title	Licensed Substance Use Disorder Counselor
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	2 prerequisite courses; 200 hours of substance use disorder related education; and a supervised practicum of at least 200 hours R156-60d-302a. Qualifications for Licensure - Education Requirements. (1) In accordance with Subsection 58-60-506(2)(a)(iii) and (5)(a)(iii), two prerequisite courses shall be completed at an accredited institution and shall cover the following

subjects:

(a) human development across the lifespan;
and

(b) general psychology.

(2) In accordance with Subsection 58-60-506(5)(a)(ii), completion of the equivalent of an associate's degree includes not less than 90 quarter or 60 semester credit hours of course work from accredited institutions of higher education that have accreditation recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).

Utah Admin. Code r. R156-60d-302a

(5) In accordance with division rules, an applicant for licensure as a substance use disorder counselor shall produce:

(a) certified transcripts from an accredited institution that:

(i) meet division standards;

(ii) verify satisfactory completion of an associate's degree or equivalent as defined by the division in rule; and

(iii) verify the completion of prerequisite courses established by division rules;

(b) documentation of the applicant's completion of a substance use disorder education program that includes:

(i) completion of at least 200 hours of substance use disorder related education;

(ii) included in the 200 hours described in Subsection (5)(b)(i), a minimum of two hours of training in suicide prevention via a course that the division designates as approved; and

(iii) completion of a supervised practicum of at least 200 hours; and

Utah Code Ann. § 58-60-506 (West)

(7) "Prerequisite courses," as used in Subsections 58-60-506(2)(a)(iii) and (5)(a)(iii), means courses completed before qualifying for licensure.

Utah Admin. Code r. R156-60d-102

(14) "Substance use disorder education program" means a formal program of substance use disorder education offered by an accredited institution of higher education that meets standards established by division rule.

Utah Code Ann. § 58-60-502 (West)

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes, as indicated

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

(5) In accordance with division rules, an applicant for licensure as a substance use disorder counselor shall produce:
(b) documentation of the applicant's completion of a substance use disorder education program that includes:
(iii) completion of a supervised practicum of at least 200 hours;

Utah Code Ann. § 58-60-506 (West)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

A minimum of two hours of training in suicide prevention via a course that the division designates as approved;

R156-60-205. Qualifications for Licensure and License Renewal - Suicide Prevention Course.

The minimum two-hour suicide prevention course required as a qualification for licensure by Subsections 58-60-205(1)(e)(iii) for a social worker, 58-60-305(1)(e)(iv) for a marriage and family therapist, 58-60-405(1)(e)(iv) for a clinical mental health counselor, and 58-60-506(5)(b)(ii) for a substance use disorder counselor, and the minimum two-hour suicide prevention course required as a

condition of license renewal by Subsection 58-60-105(3), shall meet the following standards:

(1) The course shall be approved by, conducted by, or under the sponsorship of one of the following:

- (a) a recognized accredited college or university;
- (b) a county, state, or federal agency;
- (c) a professional association or similar body involved in mental health therapy; or
- (d) a mental health agency that provides mental health services.

(2) The content of the course shall be relevant to mental health therapy, suicide prevention, consistent with the laws of this state, and include one or more of the following components:

- (a) suicide concepts and facts;
- (b) suicide risk assessment, crisis intervention, and first aid;
- (c) evidence-based intervention for suicide risk;
- (d) continuity of care and follow-up services for suicide risk; and
- (e) therapeutic alliances for intervention in suicide risk.

(3) Each hour of education shall consist of 50 minutes of education in the form of classroom lectures and discussion, workshops, webinars, online self-paced modules, case study review, or simulations.

(4) The course provider shall document and verify course attendance and completion.

(5) (a) An applicant for licensure shall submit evidence of course completion to the Division as a prerequisite for licensure.

(b) A licensee renewing their license shall maintain adequate documentation of course completion as required by Subsection R156-60-105(8)

Utah Admin. Code r. R156-60-205

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

(5) In accordance with division rules, an applicant for licensure as a substance use disorder counselor shall produce:

- (b) documentation of the applicant's completion of a substance use disorder education program that includes:
 - (i) completion of at least 200 hours of substance use disorder related education;
 - (ii) included in the 200 hours described in Subsection (5)(b)(i), a minimum of two hours of training in suicide prevention via a course that the division designates as approved; and
 - (iii) completion of a supervised practicum of at least 200 hours; and
- (c) documentation of the applicant's completion of at least 2,000 hours of supervised experience in substance use disorder treatment that:
 - (i) meets division standards; and
 - (ii) is performed within a two-year period after the applicant's completion of the substance use disorder education program described in Subsection (5)(b), unless, as determined by the division after consultation with the board, the time for performance is extended due to an extenuating circumstance.

Utah Code Ann. § 58-60-506 (West)

Exam(s) Required

the written NAADAC National Certification Exam Levels I, II or MAC, or the written ICRC Alcohol and Drug Counselor (ADC) or Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC) Examination

In accordance with Subsections 58-60-506(1)(e) and 58-60-115(5)(b), the examination required is:

(2) for licensure as a certified substance use disorder counselor or substance use disorder counselor:

(a) the written NAADAC National Certification Exam Levels I, II or MAC with a minimum

criterion score set by NAADAC; or
(b) the written ICRC Alcohol and Drug Counselor (ADC) or Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC) Examination with a minimum criterion score as set by ICRC.
Utah Admin. Code r. R156-60d-302c

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Utah Code Ann. tit. 58, Ch. 60, Pt. 5 (West)
Utah Admin. Code r. R156-60d

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State/Territory	Vermont
Board/Agency Name	Vermont Department of Health's Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs (ADAP)
Board/Agency Website	https://sos.vermont.gov/alcohol-drug-abuse-counselors/forms-instructions/
License Title	Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor (LADC)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>6-2 Eligibility. To be eligible for LADC licensure, a person shall:</p> <p>(a) possess a qualifying degree, which shall:</p> <p>(i) be a master's degree or doctorate in a human-services field from an accredited college or university, including a degree in counseling, social work, psychology, or an allied mental health field, or a master's degree or higher in a health care profession regulated under Titles 26 or 33 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated; (ii) have required the attainment of at least 600 hours of supervised internship; and (iii) have required the accrual of at least 60 graduate credit hours; provided, however, that qualifying degrees based upon at least 48 but fewer than 60 graduate credit hours may be recognized if supplemented with coursework prescribed by the Director; Administrative Rules for Alcohol & Drug Counselors</p> <p>(a) To be eligible for licensure as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor, an applicant shall:</p> <p>(1) have received a master's degree or doctorate in a human services field from an accredited educational institution, including a degree in counseling, social work, psychology, or an allied mental health field, or a master's degree or higher in a health care profession regulated under this title or Title 33, after having successfully completed a course of study with course work including theories of human development, diagnostic and counseling techniques, professional ethics, and a supervised clinical practicum;</p> <p>(2)(A) hold or be qualified to hold a current alcohol and drug counselor certification from the Office; or</p> <p>(B) hold an International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium certification from another U.S. or Canadian jurisdiction or a U.S. or Canadian national certification organization approved by the Director;</p> <p>Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 26, § 3236 (West)</p>
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	Yes, at least 48 credits but fewer than 60 graduate credit hours may be recognized if supplemented with coursework prescribed by the Director;
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	<p>6-2 Eligibility. To be eligible for LADC licensure, a person shall:</p> <p>(a) possess a qualifying degree, which shall:</p> <p>(ii) have required the attainment of at least 600 hours of supervised internship; Administrative Rules for Alcohol & Drug Counselors</p>
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	No
Must License Applicant	No

Hold Private Certification?

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

6-2 (c) have completed 2,000 hours of post-degree supervised clinical practice under the standards set out for such practice in Part 5, which practice must occur after graduation and may not include graduate practica or internships;
Administrative Rules for Alcohol & Drug Counselors

(a) To be eligible for licensure as an alcohol and drug abuse counselor, an applicant shall:
(4) complete 2,000 hours of supervised practice as set forth in rule.
Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 26, § 3236 (West)

Exam(s) Required

6-2 (d) pass the IC&RC Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC) Examination or another examination of greater or substantially equivalent relevance and rigor acceptable to the Director.
Administrative Rules for Alcohol & Drug Counselors

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

26 V.S.A. § 3236
[https://1.next.westlaw.com/Document/N3FE800E044D911E684EAF839711235AB/View/FullText.html?originationContext=documenttoc&transitionType=CategoryPageItem&contextData=\(sc.Default\)](https://1.next.westlaw.com/Document/N3FE800E044D911E684EAF839711235AB/View/FullText.html?originationContext=documenttoc&transitionType=CategoryPageItem&contextData=(sc.Default))

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State/Territory	Virginia
Board/Agency Name	Virginia Board of Counseling
Board/Agency Website	https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/counseling/counseling_laws_regs.htm
License Title	Licensed Substance Abuse Treatment Practitioner (LSATP)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	Yes, programs that are approved by CACREP as programs in addictions counseling.
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, if program is not approved by CACREP as a program in addictions counseling
Specific Coursework	<p>B. Pursuant to regulations adopted by the Board, an applicant for a license as a licensed substance abuse treatment practitioner shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Board that the applicant has (i) completed a specified number of hours of graduate studies, including a specified number of didactic substance abuse education courses at, and has received a master's degree in substance abuse or a substantially equivalent master's degree from, an institution of higher education accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the Board; and (ii) completed a specified number of hours of experience involving the practice of substance abuse treatment supervised by a licensed substance abuse treatment practitioner, or by any other mental health professional licensed by the Department, such number of hours being greater than the number of hours required of a certified substance abuse counseling assistant. The applicant shall also pass an examination, as required by the Board.</p> <p>Va. Code Ann. § 54.1-3507 (West)</p> <p>18 VAC 115-60-60. Degree program requirements.</p> <p>A. The applicant shall have completed a graduate degree from a program that prepares individuals to practice substance abuse</p>

treatment or a related counseling discipline as defined in § 54.1-3500 of the Code of Virginia from a college or university accredited by a regional accrediting agency that meets the following criteria:

1. There must be a sequence of academic study with the expressed intent to prepare counselors as documented by the institution;
2. There must be an identifiable counselor training faculty and an identifiable body of students who complete that sequence of academic study; and
3. The academic unit must have clear authority and primary responsibility for the core and specialty areas.

B. Programs that are approved by CACREP as programs in addictions counseling are recognized as meeting the requirements of subsection A of this section.

C. Graduates of programs that are not within the United States or Canada shall provide documentation from an acceptable credential evaluation service that provides information that allows the board to determine if the program meets the requirements set forth in this chapter.

18 Va. Admin. Code 115-60-60

18 VAC 115-60-70. Coursework requirements.

A. The applicant shall have successfully completed 60 semester hours or 90 quarter hours of graduate study.

B. The applicant shall have completed a general core curriculum containing a minimum of three semester hours or 4.0 quarter hours in each of the areas identified in this section:

1. Professional identity, function and ethics;
2. Theories of counseling and psychotherapy;
3. Counseling and psychotherapy techniques;
4. Group counseling and psychotherapy, theories and techniques;
5. Appraisal, evaluation and diagnostic procedures;
6. Abnormal behavior and psychopathology;
7. Multicultural counseling, theories and techniques;
8. Research; and
9. Marriage and family systems theory.

C. The applicant shall also have completed 12 graduate semester credit hours or 18 graduate quarter hours in the following substance abuse treatment competencies.

1. Assessment, appraisal, evaluation and diagnosis specific to substance abuse;
2. Treatment planning models, client case management, interventions and treatments to include relapse prevention, referral process, step models and documentation process;
3. Understanding addictions: The biochemical, sociocultural and psychological factors of substance use and abuse;
4. Addictions and special populations including, but not limited to, adolescents, women, ethnic groups and the elderly; and
5. Client and community education.

D. The applicant shall have completed a supervised internship of 600 hours to include 240 hours of direct client contact, of which 200 hours shall be in treating substance abuse-specific treatment

problems. Only internship hours earned after completion of 30 graduate semester hours may be counted towards residency hours.
E. One course may satisfy study in more than one content area set forth in subsections B and C of this section.

F. If the applicant holds a current, unrestricted license as a professional counselor, clinical psychologist, or clinical social worker, the board may accept evidence of successful completion of 60 semester hours or 90 quarter hours of graduate study, including the hours specified in subsection C of this section.

18 Va. Admin. Code 115-60-70

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

D. The applicant shall have completed a supervised internship of 600 hours to include 240 hours of direct client contact, of which 200 hours shall be in treating substance abuse-specific treatment problems. Only internship hours earned after completion of 30 graduate semester hours may be counted towards residency hours.
18 Va. Admin. Code 115-60-70

C. 4. A graduate level degree internship in excess of 600 hours, which is completed in a program that meets the requirements set forth in 18VAC115-60-70, may count for up to an additional 300 hours towards the requirements of a residency.

18 Va. Admin. Code 115-60-80

"Internship" means a formal academic course from a regionally accredited university in which supervised, practical experience is obtained in a clinical setting in the application of counseling principles, methods and techniques.

18 Va. Admin. Code 115-60-10

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

18 VAC 115-60-80. Resident license and requirements for a residency.

C. Residency requirements.

1. The applicant for licensure as a substance abuse treatment practitioner shall have completed no fewer than 3,400 hours in a supervised residency in substance abuse treatment with various populations, clinical problems and theoretical approaches in the following areas:

- a. Clinical evaluation;
- b. Treatment planning, documentation, and implementation;

- c. Referral and service coordination;
 - d. Individual and group counseling and case management;
 - e. Client family and community education; and
 - f. Professional and ethical responsibility.
2. The residency shall include a minimum of 200 hours of in-person supervision between supervisor and resident occurring at a minimum of one hour and a maximum of four hours per 40 hours of work experience during the period of the residency.
- a. No more than half of these hours may be satisfied with group supervision.
 - b. One hour of group supervision will be deemed equivalent to one hour of individual supervision.
 - c. Supervision that is not concurrent with a residency will not be accepted, nor will residency hours be accrued in the absence of approved supervision.
 - d. For the purpose of meeting the 200-hour supervision requirement, in-person supervision may include the use of technology that maintains client confidentiality and provides real-time, visual contact between the supervisor and the resident.
 - e. Up to 20 hours of the supervision received during the supervised internship may be counted towards the 200 hours of in-person supervision if the supervision was provided by a licensed professional counselor.
3. The residency shall include at least 2,000 hours of face-to-face client contact in providing clinical substance abuse treatment services with individuals, families, or groups of individuals suffering from the effects of substance abuse or dependence. The remaining hours may be spent in the performance of ancillary services.
4. A graduate level degree internship in excess of 600 hours, which is completed in a program that meets the requirements set forth in 18VAC115-60-70, may count for up to an additional 300 hours towards the requirements of a residency.
- 18 Va. Admin. Code 115-60-80

“Residency” means a postgraduate, supervised, clinical experience.
18 Va. Admin. Code 115-60-10

Exam(s) Required

A. Every applicant for licensure as a substance abuse treatment practitioner by examination shall pass a written examination as prescribed by the board. Such applicant is required to pass the prescribed examination within six years from the date of initial issuance of a resident license by the board.
18 Va. Admin. Code 115-60-90

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Va. Admin. Code tit. 18, Agcy. 115, Ch. 60

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State/Territory	Washington
Board/Agency Name	Washington State Department of Health
Board/Agency Website	https://doh.wa.gov/licenses-permits-and-certificates/professions-new-renew-or-update/substance-use-disorder-professional/certification-requirements
License Title	Substance Use Disorder Professional
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	246-811-030. Educational requirements. Except as provided for in WAC 246-811-077 and 246-811-078, to be eligible for certification as a substance use disorder professional an applicant shall meet the education requirements in this section. (1) The minimum education requirements for a substance use disorder professional credential are: (a) An associate's degree in human services or related field from an approved school;

- (b) Successful completion of 90 quarter or 60 semester college credits in courses from an approved school; or
 - (c) Successful completion of an approved and registered apprenticeship program.
- (2) The minimum amount of instruction required in topics related to the substance use disorder profession is at least:
- (a) Forty-five quarter college credits;
 - (b) Thirty semester college credits; or
 - (c) Four hundred fifty hours of related/supplemental instruction provided by a competent instructor in an approved and registered apprenticeship program.
- (3) Education and apprenticeship program course work must include the following topics specific to individuals with substance use disorder in their recovery:
- (a) Understanding addiction;
 - (b) Pharmacological actions of alcohol and other drugs;
 - (c) Substance abuse and addiction treatment methods;
 - (d) Understanding addiction placement, continuing care, and discharge criteria, including American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) criteria;
 - (e) Cultural diversity including people with disabilities and its implication for treatment;
 - (f) Substance use disorder clinical evaluation (screening and referral to include comorbidity);
 - (g) HIV/AIDS brief risk intervention for individuals with a substance use disorder;
 - (h) Substance use disorder treatment planning;
 - (i) Referral and use of community resources;
 - (j) Service coordination (implementing the treatment plan, consulting, continuing assessment and treatment planning);
 - (k) Individual counseling;
 - (l) Group counseling;
 - (m) Substance use disorder counseling for

- families, couples and significant others;
- (n) Client, family and community education;
- (o) Developmental psychology;
- (p) Psychopathology/abnormal psychology;
- (q) Documentation, to include, screening, intake, assessment, treatment plan, clinical reports, clinical progress notes, discharge summaries, and other client related data;
- (r) Substance use disorder confidentiality;
- (s) Professional and ethical responsibilities;
- (t) Relapse prevention;
- (u) Adolescent substance use disorder assessment and treatment;
- (v) Substance use disorder case management; and
- (w) Substance use disorder rules and regulations.

Wash. Admin. Code 246-811-030

Applicants must complete the course topic identification form. Official transcripts must verify course topics. If course topics do not clearly identify courses, applicants will be asked for course syllabi.

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes, as indicated

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Though not required, a practicum or internship may apply toward experience.

(1) The department will consider experience in the field of substance use disorder counseling up to seven years prior to the date of application.

(2) Accumulation of the experience hours is not required to be consecutive.

(3) Experience that will count toward certification must meet the requirements outlined in WAC 246-811-046 through 246-811-049.

(4) Supervised experience is the practice as referred to in RCW 18.205.090 (1)(c) and is the experience received under an approved

supervisor.

(5) A practicum or internship taken while acquiring the degree or semester/quarter hours is applicable.

(6) Applicants who have held an active substance use disorder credential for the past five consecutive years or more in another state or territory, without a disciplinary record or disqualifying criminal history, are deemed to have met the supervised experience requirements of this chapter for Washington state licensure. Wash. Admin. Code 246-811-045

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

246-811-046. Number of experience hours required for certification as a substance use disorder professional.

Except as provided in WAC 246-811-050 and 246-811-070(1), an applicant for substance use disorder professional certification shall complete the following experience requirements based on their level of formal education:

- (1) Two thousand five hundred hours of substance use disorder counseling, for individuals who have an associate degree;
- (2) Two thousand hours of substance use disorder counseling for individuals who have a baccalaureate degree in human services or a related field from an approved school;
- (3) One thousand five hundred hours of substance use disorder counseling for individuals who possess a master or doctoral degree in human services or a related field from an approved school; or
- (4) One thousand hours of substance use

disorder counseling for individuals who are credentialed according to WAC 246-811-076. The experience must be supervised by an approved supervisor meeting the requirements under WAC 246-811-049(8). Wash. Admin. Code 246-811-046

246-811-047. Competency--Experience requirements.

(1) It is the intent that an individual applying for a substance use disorder professional certificate has become competent in the core competencies of chemical counseling through the experience requirements in this section.

(2) Individuals must have the following experiences to gain the core competencies of substance use disorder counseling:

(a) Two hundred hours of clinical evaluation, of which one hundred hours must be face-to-face patient contact hours;

(b) Six hundred hours of face-to-face counseling to include:

(i) Individual counseling;

(ii) Group counseling; and

(iii) Family, couples, and significant others;

(c) Fifty hours of discussion of professional and ethical responsibilities;

(d) Transdisciplinary foundations:

(i) Understanding addiction;

(ii) Treatment knowledge;

(iii) Application to practice; and

(iv) Professional readiness;

(e) Treatment planning;

(f) Referral;

(g) Service coordination;

(h) Client, family, and community education;

and

(i) Documentation, to include, screening, intake, assessment, treatment plan, clinical reports, clinical progress notes, discharge summaries, and other client related data.

(3) Of the total experience hours required

under WAC 246-811-046, eight hundred fifty hours of experience must be divided among subsection (2)(a) through (c) of this section. The remaining experience hours must be divided among subsection (2)(d) through (i) of this section as determined by the supervisor.

Wash. Admin. Code 246-811-047

Exam(s) Required

(1) An applicant must take and pass the National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselor (NAADAC) National Certification Examination for Addiction Counselors or International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (ICRC) Certified Addiction Counselor Level II or higher examination.

(2) The department will accept the passing score set by the testing company.

Wash. Admin. Code 246-811-060

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Wash. Rev. Code Ann. tit. 18, Ch. 18.205 (West)

Wash. Admin. Code T. 246, Ch. 246-811.

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State/Territory	West Virginia
Board/Agency Name	None found
Board/Agency Website	N/A
License Title	None found
Specialized Accreditation Required?	N/A
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	N/A
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	N/A
Specific Coursework	N/A
Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?	N/A
Supervised Experience (In-Program)	NA
Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?	N/A
Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?	N/A
Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)	N/A

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)	N/A
Exam(s) Required	N/A
Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation	W. Va. Code Ann. § 16-5Y-2 (West)
Notes	West Virginia Certification Board for Addiction and Prevention Professionals (WVCBAPP) offers alcohol and drug counselor certification.
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Board/Agency Name	State of Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services
Board/Agency Website	https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/SubstanceAbuseCounselor/Default.aspx
License Title	Clinical Substance Abuse Counselor
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	No
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, all programs
Specific Coursework	<p>An applicant for certification as a clinical substance abuse counselor shall submit all of the following:</p> <p>(4) Evidence of one of the following:</p> <p>(a) Holding a substance abuse counselor credential.</p> <p>(b) Completion of 360 hours of substance use disorder specialized education through a postsecondary institution or department--approved education program. The 360 hours shall be in all of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Sixty hours in assessment training.2. Sixty hours in counseling training.3. Sixty hours in case management.4. Sixty hours in patient education.5. Sixty hours in professional responsibility.6. Six hours in boundaries and ethics.7. Fifty--four hours in electives in any of the subjects in subds. 1. to 6. <p>(5) Evidence of an associate's degree or higher in a behavioral science field from an accredited university or college.</p> <p>Wis. Admin. Code § 161.03</p> <p>SPS 166.01 Approval of substance abuse counselor education.</p> <p>(1) An application to be a department--approved education program shall include all of the following:</p> <p>(a) A detailed outline of each course, or for core competency programs a detailed outline of each core competency and how the competency will be measured.</p> <p>(b) For each course or core competency, indicate the allocation of hours or competency hour equivalencies for the following content areas:</p>

1. Assessment training.
 2. Counseling training.
 3. Case management.
 4. Patient education.
 5. Professional responsibility.
 6. Boundaries and ethics.
- (c) Evidence that each instructor satisfies one of the following:
1. The instructor holds one of the following credentials in good standing:
 - a. Substance abuse counselor.
 - b. Clinical substance abuse counselor.
 - c. A license under s. 457.08 (4), 457.10, 457.11, 457.12, 457.13, or 457.14 (1) (d) to (f), Stats.
 2. The instructor is a physician with knowledge and experience related to substance use disorder counseling.
 3. The instructor is a psychologist with knowledge and experience related to substance use disorder counseling.
 4. The instructor is an instructor of substance use disorder related courses at an accredited institution.
- (2) An instructor whose credential has been limited, suspended, or revoked may not instruct in an approved program while the disciplinary action is in effect.
- (3) An approved program shall inform the department in advance of any major change in a course or instructor qualifications.
- (4) An approval of a program remains in effect for 5 years. After 5 years, the program shall resubmit a new application to become an approved educational program.
- (5) An approved program shall provide a certificate of completion or transcript to each student and shall retain student records for at least 7 years after a student has completed the program.
- Wis. Admin. Code § 166.01

<https://dsps.wi.gov/Credentialing/Health/fm2841.pdf>

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

Must meet external requirements (i.e. specialized accreditation, certification, or exam)

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

An applicant for certification as a clinical substance abuse counselor shall submit all of the following:

(7) Evidence of completion of 5,000 hours of work experience performing the practice dimensions, supervised by an individual under ch. SPS 162 within the 5 years immediately preceding the date of application. The 5,000 hours may include any work experience hours obtained as a requirement of the substance abuse counselor credential.

Wis. Admin. Code § 161.03

Exam(s) Required

An applicant for certification as a clinical substance abuse counselor shall

submit all of the following:

(3) Evidence of successful passage of the jurisprudence examination unless the applicant has previously passed the examination in the process of obtaining a substance abuse counselor--in--training or substance abuse counselor credential.

(6) Evidence of successful passage of the National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors' NCAC I exam.

Wis. Admin. Code § 161.03

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 161.03, WI ADC § SPS 161.03

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State/Territory	Wyoming
Board/Agency Name	Wyoming Mental Health Professions Licensing Board
Board/Agency Website	https://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/rules-and-regulations#h.p_Di0eoY_SqdNJ
License Title	Certified Addictions Practitioner (CAP)
Specialized Accreditation Required?	No
Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements?	Yes, by the National Addictions Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC).
Curriculum Comparison Needed?	Yes, if not NASAC accredited
Specific Coursework	The educational requirement for certification as an addictions practitioner may be met: (a) By holding a current National Certified Addictions Counselor Level II (NCAC II) certification in good standing; or (b) By receiving a baccalaureate degree in addiction therapy from an educational institution accredited by one of the regional or national institutional accrediting bodies recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA); or (c) By receiving a baccalaureate degree in a

human behavioral discipline from an educational institution accredited by one of the regional or national institutional accrediting bodies recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and by completing an addictions specific associates degree or higher from an educational institution accredited by the National Addictions Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC); or

(d) By receiving a baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral discipline from an educational institution accredited by one of the regional or national institutional accrediting bodies recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and by completing course work (either graduate or undergraduate) in each of the core areas defined herein:

(i) Each of the following four (4) courses shall be completed:

(A) Counseling Theories-- Three (3) Semester Credits. Theories and principles of counseling and psychotherapy.

(B) Counseling Skills-- Three (3) Semester Credits. Methods and techniques of individual and group counseling.

(C) Practicum in Addictions/Chemical Dependency Counseling-- Three (3) Semester Credits.

(D) Counseling Ethics-- Two (2) Semester Credits.

(ii) Course work shall be completed in each of the following five (5) subject areas for a minimum of ten (10) semester hours:

(A) Alcoholism: To include biochemical, socio-cultural, and psychological factors.

(B) Drugs and Behavior: A survey of drugs with abuse potential in addition to alcohol that affect behavior including psychopharmacological information.

(C) Addictions and Special Populations: (i.e., adolescents, women, ethnic groups, elderly,

adult children of alcoholics, the impaired family, impaired professional, athletes, criminals, etc.).

(D) Addictive Behaviors: Gambling, eating disorders, sexual addictions, cults, compulsive behaviors of non-ingestive nature, etc.

(E) Addictions Assessment: Appraisal, assessment, testing, diagnosis/dual diagnosis. This category may also be satisfied by completing specialty training.

(iii) Six (6) contact hours of specialty training shall be completed in communicable diseases. This category may be satisfied by completing college course work or workshops.

(e) If an applicant chooses to meet the educational criteria outlined in Section 3(d), the following shall apply:

(i) The official transcripts, course prefixes, and course descriptions shall clearly identify the course work as preparing persons to be practitioners.

(ii) Course work shall be completed in an associates program, baccalaureate program or subsequent college level course work.

Wyo. Admin. Code 078.0001.3 § 3

(c) Certification under this subsection shall allow practice as a certified addictions practitioner only under the supervision of a qualified clinical supervisor and subject to any other restrictions which may be specified by the board. The board shall grant certification as a certified addictions practitioner to any applicant who files an application upon a form and in the manner prescribed by the board, accompanied by the appropriate fee and who furnishes satisfactory evidence to the board of the following:

(iii) The applicant has received a baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral

discipline from a regionally accredited institution of higher education, which is professional in content and which meets national standards for accreditation in the field of addiction therapy as accepted by the board, or has received a baccalaureate level equivalency in addiction therapy. In performing its duties under this paragraph, the board shall consult the professional training and experience standards of appropriate national professional associations or the standards of an appropriate federal agency;

(vi) Unless extended, the applicant has six (6) months from the date of employment to become certified. The board may, for good cause shown, grant an extension of this grace period.

(vii) Notwithstanding paragraphs (iii) and (vi) of this subsection, a person who has received a baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral discipline, other than a degree in addiction therapy, may be granted certification under this subsection after providing to the board satisfactory proof of completion of two thousand (2,000) hours of supervised work experience as a certified addictions practitioner assistant or equivalent in the field of addiction therapy.

Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 33-38-106 (West)

Must Credits/Courses Be Part of Degree Program?

Yes, as indicated

Supervised Experience (In-Program)

3-semester practicum required for applicants with a baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral discipline

The educational requirement for certification as an addictions practitioner may be met:
(d) By receiving a baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral discipline from an educational institution accredited by one of the regional or national institutional

accrediting bodies recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and by completing course work (either graduate or undergraduate) in each of the core areas defined herein:

(i) (C) Practicum in Addictions/Chemical Dependency Counseling-- Three (3) Semester Credits.

Wyo. Admin. Code 078.0001.3 § 3

Must Out-of-State Program Graduate Hold License to Qualify?

No

Must License Applicant Hold Private Certification?

No

Additional Training (Not Required In-Program)

None found

Experience (After Graduating/Outside of Program)

Section 5. Certification by Education and Experience.

An individual who has received a baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral discipline, other than a degree in addiction therapy, may be granted certification under this section after providing to the board satisfactory proof of completion of two thousand (2,000) hours of supervised work experience as a certified addictions practitioner assistant or equivalent in the field of addiction therapy.

(a) The two thousand (2,000) hours of supervised work experience shall be completed as direct client contact hours.

(b) The hours shall be completed in no less than twenty-four (24) months and no more than sixty (60) months prior to application.

Wyo. Admin. Code 078.0001.3 § 5

Exam(s) Required

(a) The Board shall accept a passing score as established by the examination provider on one of the following examinations:

(i) The Association for Addictions Professionals (NAADAC), NCAC Level II exam;

(ii) International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Counselor (AODA) exam; or
(iii) Other examination as may be approved by the Board.

Wyo. Admin. Code 078.0001.3 § 4

Statute/Regulation/Rule Citation

Wyo. Stat. Ann. tit. 33, Ch. 38 (West)
Wyo. Admin. Code 078.0001.3 § 1

Notes

None

Last Reviewed Date

1/20/2023

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No records found.

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State PSYC (COUN)	KWU Meets Licensure Requirements	Specialized Accreditation Required	Specialized Accreditation Accepted as Meeting Educational Requirements	Curriculum Comparison Needed	Notes
Alabama	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Alaska	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
American Samoa	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Arizona	No	No	Yes	Yes	An applicant for licensure as an independent substance abuse counselor shall have a master's or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university in one of the following: 1. A program accredited by NASAC; 2. A behavior health science program that meets the core content standards specified in R4-6-701(B) and includes at least 300 hours of supervised practicum as prescribed under subsection (D); or 3. An educational program previously approved by the Board under A.R.S. §32.3253(A)(14) that includes at least 300 hours of supervised practicum as prescribed under section (D). KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Arkansas	No	No	No	Yes	The Applicant must successfully complete a minimum of two hundred seventy (270) clock hours of approved education. KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
California	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	The California Department of Health Care Services recognizes the following National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) accredited organizations to register and certify alcohol and other drug counselors in California. To become a certified counselor or to obtain further information regarding educational requirements for becoming an alcohol and other drug counselor in California, please contact any of the certifying organizations listed below: California Association for Alcohol and Drug Educators (CAADE) Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Colorado	No	No	No	Yes	B. Education and Training Requirements. 1. Applicant must provide evidence of completion of a master's or doctorate degree in one of the behavioral health sciences from an accredited school, college, or university or an equivalent program as determined by the Board. KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Connecticut	No	No	No	Yes	360 hours of education, at least 240 of which pertained to alcohol and drug abuse, while the remaining hours must have been in the field of human behavior. Exams: International Certification Examination for Alcohol and other Drug Abuse Counselors of the International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium/Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse, Inc. KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.

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Delaware	No	No	Yes	Yes	§ 3044. Qualifications of applicant (a)(3) Is certified by the National Association for Addictions Professionals, (NAADAC) as a national certified addictions counselor (NCAC or MAC), by the Delaware Certification Board (DCB Inc.) as a certified alcohol and drug counselor, or by a certifying organization acceptable to the Board. Del. Code Ann. tit. 24, § 3044 (West) Exams: Is certified by the National Association for Addictions Professionals, (NAADAC) as a national certified addictions counselor (NCAC or MAC), by the Delaware Certification Board (DCB Inc.) as a certified alcohol and drug counselor, or by a certifying organization acceptable to the Board. Del. Code Ann. tit. 24, § 3044 (West) KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
District of Columbia	No	No	No	Yes	8702.1 An applicant shall present proof to the Board that he or she has graduated with at least an Associate's degree in a health or human services field, including but not limited to registered nursing, aging studies, criminal justice, health education, or mental health, from an accredited institution whose program is accredited by an entity recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. The National Association of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors -- National Certification Commission (NAADAC-NCC) Level I examination and the District jurisprudence exam KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Federated States of Micronesia	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Florida	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Georgia	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Guam	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Hawaii	No	No	No	Yes	§ 11-177.1-17. Certified substance abuse counselor - bachelor degree. (a) The applicant shall have completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited school with a major in social work, psychology, counseling psychology, substance abuse counseling, or other counseling or mental health field. Exams: IC&RC Examination Domains: 1. Screening, Assessment, & Engagement; 2. Treatment Planning, Collaboration, & Referral; 3. Counseling & Education; 4. Professional & Ethical Responsibilities KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Idaho	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Illinois	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.

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Indiana	No	No	No	Yes	839 IAC 1-5.5-1 Educational requirements for addiction counselors Sec. 1. (a) As used in IC 25-23.6-10.5-1, "a baccalaureate degree in addiction counseling or in a related area" means a degree earned in one (1) of the following: (1) Addiction studies. (2) Chemical dependency. (3) Social work. (4) Psychology. (5) Human services. (6) Human development. (7) Family relations. (8) Counseling. The Board has adopted the Alcohol & Drug Counselor (ADC) examination administered by International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC & RC) utilized by the Indiana Counselors Association on Alcohol & Drug Abuse (ICAADA) and the National Certified Addiction Counselor - Level II (NCAC- II) administered by National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counsel - National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NAADAC-NCCAP) utilized by the Indiana Association for Addiction Professionals (IAAP). Applicants are required to pass either the ADC or the Level II exam for licensure.
Iowa	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Kansas	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements. Exams: The National Association for Addiction Professionals (NAADAC) MAC exam
Kentucky	No	No	No	Yes	309.0832 Requirements for licensure as a licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor An applicant for licensure as a licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor shall pay the board the initial fee for licensure, and shall: (1) Be at least eighteen (18) years of age; (2) Have obtained from a regionally accredited college or university or a college or university accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education: (a) A sixty (60) hour master's degree in a behavioral science with clinical application; (b) A thirty (30) hour advanced placement master's degree in a behavioral science with clinical application; or (c) A doctoral degree in a behavioral science with clinical application... Exams: The comprehensive examination offered by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium. KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Louisiana	No	No	No	Yes	The board shall recognize as a licensed addiction counselor each candidate who: (1) Possesses a master's degree from an accredited institution of higher education. The degree shall be in a human services or behavioral science discipline, or such other discipline or disciplines as the board may deem appropriate. La. Stat. Ann. § 37:3387 Exams: IC&RC Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC) Examination KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Maine	No	No	No	Yes	An applicant who applies for licensure on the basis of higher education pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. §6214-D(1)(D)(2) or (3) shall submit evidence of an associate degree, bachelor degree or higher from an institution of higher education that has been accredited by a regional institutional accrediting agency or a national institutional or specialized accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education. The degree shall be in clinically based behavioral sciences or addiction counseling, or in one of the following related fields: social and behavioral sciences; social work; childhood development; education and human development; mental health and human services; nursing, psychology; psychology/educational psychology; or rehabilitation services. Code Me. R. tit. 02-384 Ch. 5, § 2 Exams: IC&RC ADC and Advanced ADC examinations or IC&RC ADC and CPM (Case Oral) examinations. KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.

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Maryland	No	No	No	Yes	To qualify for certification as a certified associate counselor-alcohol and drug (CAC-AD) an applicant shall have: (3) Completed one of the following: (a) An internship in alcohol and drug counseling that totals 6 semester credit hours or 10 quarter credit hours; or (b) A minimum of 1,000 hours of alcohol and drug counseling work completed as a certified associate counselor-alcohol and drug, a certified supervised counselor-alcohol and drug, or an alcohol and drug trainee under and verified by an approved alcohol and drug counselor supervisor; (4) Completed not less than 1 year with a minimum of 1,000 hours of clinically supervised experience in alcohol and drug counseling completed as a certified supervised counselor-alcohol and drug or an alcohol and drug trainee under and verified by an approved alcohol and drug counselor supervisor; Md. Code Regs. 10.58.07.07
					The National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NCCAP) and Maryland Law Assessment
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Massachusetts	No	No	No	Yes	(A) To be eligible for applying for licensure as a licensed alcohol and drug counselor I, an applicant shall: (1) be at least 18 years of age with a copy of either a birth certificate, driver's license or passport as documentation; (2) have a master's or doctorate degree in behavioral sciences from an educational institution which is recognized by a nationally or regionally recognized educational or professional accrediting organization, with a minimum of 18 graduate semester hours in counseling or counseling-related subjects; and have completed an approved program of education consisting of a minimum of 270 hours that address the full range of knowledge, skills, and professional techniques related to alcohol and drug counseling. Exams: To be eligible for applying for licensure as a licensed alcohol and drug counselor I, an applicant shall: successfully completed a Department prescribed written examination, provided, however, that portions thereof may be conducted orally. 105 Mass. Code Regs. 168.006
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Michigan	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Minnesota	No	No	No	Yes	Effective: August 1, 2022 M.S.A. § 148F.025 Formerly cited as MN ST § 148C.04 148F.025. Requirements for licensure Subd. 2. Education requirements for licensure. An applicant for licensure must submit evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has: (1) received a bachelor's degree from an accredited school or educational program; and (2) received 18 semester credits or 270 clock hours of academic course work and 880 clock hours of supervised alcohol and drug counseling practicum from an accredited school or education program. The course work and practicum do not have to be part of the bachelor's degree earned under clause Exams: IC&RCAODA, complete a written case presentation and pass an oral examination that demonstrates competence in the core functions as defined in section 148F.01, subdivision 10; or complete 2,000 hours of postdegree supervised professional practice under section 148F.04. Minn. Stat. Ann. § 148F.025 (West)
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Mississippi	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Missouri	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.

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Montana	No	No	No	Yes	Applicants for LAC licensure not currently licensed in another state or jurisdiction must submit a completed application on forms provided by the department. Completed applications include appropriate fees and required documentation. (2) Applicants must meet the following education requirements: (a) have a degree or certificate that meets the requirements in 37-35-202, MCA; and (b) have completed 330 contact hours of training in addiction studies completed either in whole or in part of the degree or certificate
					Exams: (a) Level 1 or Level 2 National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NCCAP); (b) Northwest Certification II; (c) Southwest Certification II; or (d) International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) Alcohol and Drug Counselor (ADC) examination or Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC) exam. Mont. Admin. R. 24.219.5020
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Nebraska	No	No	No	Yes	A postsecondary educational degree may be substituted for part of the supervised clinical work experience. The degree shall be from an accredited postsecondary educational institution or the educational program. A bachelor's degree with a major in counseling, addictions, social work, sociology, or psychology may be substituted for two thousand hours of supervised clinical work experience.
					Exams: Documentation of passing the Alcohol and Drug Counselor written examination by the International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium, or its successor, with a minimum scaled score of 500. 0172 Neb. Admin. Code Ch. 15, 005
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Nevada	No	No	No	Yes	For the purposes of this chapter, subsection 1 of NRS 641C.350 and NRS 641C.390, the Board will consider an applicant for a license or certificate as an alcohol and drug counselor to have successfully completed 2,500 hours of supervised counseling of persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders if the applicant has successfully completed: (a) A bachelor's degree in a field of social science approved by the Board that included 18 semester hours, or 27 quarter hours, of study specifically related to the counseling of persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders from an accredited college or university or has accrued the required 18 semester or 27 quarter hours in education following the completion of a bachelor's degree; Nev. Admin. Code 641C.205
					Exams: IC&RCADC written examination and oral exam
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
New Hampshire	No	No	No	Yes	An applicant for initial LADC licensure shall: I. (a) Have graduated with an associate's degree in substance use counseling, addiction studies, or equivalent program, obtained 300 hours of alcohol and drug use education within the degree-granting program or separately, completed 6,000 hours of supervised work experience, and completed 300 hours of supervised practical training within the degree-granting program, as part of the supervised work experience or separately; or (b) Have graduated with a bachelor's degree in a clinical mental health, social work, psychology, substance use counseling, addiction studies, human services discipline, or equivalent program from an accredited college or university, obtained 300 hours of alcohol and drug use education within the degree-granting program or separately, completed 4,000 hours of supervised work experience, and completed 300 hours of supervised practical training within the degree-granting program, as part of the supervised work experience or separately. N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 330-C:17
					Exams: IC&RCADC Exam
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.

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New Jersey	No	No	No	Yes	Each person applying for certification as a certified alcohol and drug counselor shall make application to the board on the form and in the manner the committee prescribes and the board shall immediately refer each application to the committee for appropriate action. Each applicant shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the committee that he has received a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalency and that he has: (3) Completed 270 hours of alcohol and drug education, including formal classroom education, workshops, seminars, institutes, in-service training and college or university work. This education shall be related to the knowledge and skill base associated with the functions of an alcohol and drug counselor. All education shall be approved by the board; N.J. Stat. Ann. § 45:2D-5 (West)
					Exams: An applicant shall furnish evidence that the applicant has: 6. Successfully completed a written examination developed and prepared by the ICRC, or its successor; and 7. Successfully completed an oral examination developed and prepared by the ICRC, or its successor, on the applicant's written case presentation. N.J. Admin. Code § 13:34C-2.3
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
New Mexico	No	No	No	Yes	Holds a baccalaureate degree in counseling, a counseling related field or a substance abuse related field from an accredited institution. The board may approve, on a case-by-case basis, applicants whose education is not in a counseling or substance abuse related field. One semester credit hour is equal to 15 clock hours of education. Qualifying education shall include 276 clock hours in the following areas: (a) 90 hours in the field of alcohol abuse (b) 90 hours in the field of drug abuse (c) 90 hours in the field of counseling (d) six hours that pertain specifically to alcohol and drug counseling ethics training, (must be acquired two years prior to submission of an application).
					Exams: An alcohol and drug abuse counselor(LADAC) must possess the following qualifications and provide the required documentation with the application. C. Applicant must demonstrate professional competency by passing the national certification examination for addiction counselors (NCAC level 1) N.M. Admin. Code 16.27.11.9
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
New York	No	No	No	Yes	If you are a CASAC applicant who holds an Associate's, Bachelor's or Master's Degree in approved Human Services fields, or are a student pursuing any of these degrees, some of the course work associated with your degree may be claimed toward satisfying some or all of the CASAC education and training requirements. In order to determine what coursework may be applicable, your college transcript(s) should be submitted with your application. https://oasas.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/02/approved_human-service-degrees.pdf
					Exams: CASAC, IC&RC, ADC
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
North Carolina	No	No	No	Yes	The applicant has a minimum of a master's degree in human services field with both a clinical application and a substance use disorder specialty from a regionally accredited college or university that includes 180 hours of substance use disorder specific education and training pursuant to G.S. 90-113.41A. b. Has one year of postgraduate supervised substance use disorder counseling experience.
					Exams: IC&RCAADC exam
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.

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North Dakota	No	No	No	Yes	Licensed addiction counselor and licensed clinical addiction counselor. An individual meets the academic requirements for licensure as an addiction counselor or as a licensed clinical addiction counselor, if the individual possesses: a. A bachelor's, master's, or doctorate degree in addiction studies from a program accredited by the national addiction studies accreditation committee, the international coalition for addiction studies and education accreditation, or counsel for accreditation of counseling and related educational programs for addiction counseling; or in addiction studies; A bachelor's, master's, or doctorate degree in addiction studies or a closely related mental health care field, including a minimum of twenty-seven undergraduate credits meeting the following content and credit requirements: (1) A minimum of three credits in theories and techniques of counseling that must include content in theories specific to addiction counseling, counseling techniques specific to addiction counseling, and American society of addiction medicine criteria. (2) A minimum of three credits in group counseling. (3) A minimum of three credits in psychopharmacology that must include an overview of drugs of abuse. (4) A minimum of three credits in dynamics of addiction or introduction to addiction studies that must include content in the history of addiction counseling and addiction treatment methods. (5) A minimum of three credits in professional ethics that must include content specific to addiction counseling, the national association for alcoholism and drug abuse counselors code of ethics, and 42 CFR part 2. Exams: KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Northern Mariana Islands	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Ohio	No	No	No	Yes	To meet the requirements of this division, an individual must meet all of the following requirements: (1) Hold from an accredited educational institution an associate's degree in a behavioral science or nursing or a bachelor's degree in any field; (2) Have not less than the number of hours specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code of compensated work or supervised internship experience in any of the following, not less than twenty per cent of which are in chemical dependency counseling: (a) Chemical dependency services, substance abuse services, or both types of services; (b) The practice of psychology, as defined in section 4732.01 of the Revised Code; (c) The practice of professional counseling, the practice of social work, or the practice of marriage and family therapy, all as defined in section 4757.01 of the Revised Code. (3) Have a minimum of the number of hours specified in rules adopted under section 4758.20 of the Revised Code of training in chemical dependency that meets the requirements specified in those rules... Exams: IC&RC alcohol and drug counselor (ADC) examination KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.

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Oklahoma	No	No	No	Yes	In addition to the qualifications specified in subsection C of this section, each applicant for a certificate to practice as a certified alcohol and drug counselor shall have: 1. At a minimum, a bachelor's degree in a behavioral science field that is recognized by the Oklahoma Board of Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors as appropriate to practice as a certified drug and alcohol counselor in this state; 2. Successfully completed at least two (2) years of full-time supervised work experience. For the purpose of the Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors Act, "two years of full-time work experience" shall be defined as four thousand (4,000) hours of work experience of which at least two thousand (2,000) hours shall consist of providing alcohol and drug counseling services to an individual and/or the individual's family; 3. Successfully completed at least two hundred seventy (270) clock hours of education related to alcohol and drug counseling subjects, theory, practice or research; 4. Successfully completed, as part of or in addition to the education requirements established in paragraph 3 of this subsection, a minimum of forty-five (45) clock hours of specialized training approved by the Board in identifying co-occurring disorders and making appropriate referrals for treatment of co-occurring disorders; and 5. Successfully completed at least three hundred (300) hours of supervised practicum experience in the field of drug and alcohol counseling. Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 59, § 1876 (West) Exams: KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Oregon	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Pennsylvania	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Puerto Rico	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Republic Palau	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Republic of the Marshall Islands	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Rhode Island	No	No	No	Yes	180 total hours of relevant education/training to the field of substance use disorders. 6 of the hours must be in substance use disorders ethics. 6 of the hours must be in confidentiality. 6 of the hours must be in communicable diseases. 6 of the hours must be in medication assisted treatment. Confidentiality courses must include 42 CFR and its relationship to HIPAA and other confidentiality laws. Education is defined as formal, structured instruction in the form of workshops, trainings, seminars, in-services, college/university credit courses, and online education. There is no limit to the amount of online education that may be submitted. Most three-credit college/university courses count as 45 hours. One training CE/CEU counts as one hour. Out of state education is acceptable. All education/training must be documented. College courses are documented with an official college transcript. Exams: IC&RC Examination for Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselors (AADC examination) KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.

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South Carolina	No	No	Yes	Yes	An applicant for initial licensure as an addiction counselor associate must: (1) submit an application on forms approved by the Board, along with the required fee; and (2) show evidence of graduation from an addiction counseling program accredited by CACREP at the time of graduation; or (3) submit evidence of successful completion of a master's degree, specialist's degree or doctoral degree with a minimum of forty-eight (48) graduate semester hours primarily in counseling or related field from a program accredited by NASAC, CACREP, or one that follows similar educational standards, and from a college or university accredited by the Commission on the Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, one of its transferring regional associations, the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, or a regionally accredited institution of higher learning subsequent to receiving the graduate degree.
					Exams: All licensure candidates must take and pass either the: National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC) Master Addiction Counselor (MAC) Exam https://www.naadac.org/mac OR International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC) Exam.
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
South Dakota	No	No	No	Yes	Have a minimum of a master's degree in a behavioral science field, evidenced by transcript, from an accredited post secondary institution.
					Exams: IC&RC Written Examination
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Tennessee	No	No	No	Yes	The applicant must: (i) Have a bachelor's degree in a behavioral health related field or higher level degree in a non-behavioral health related field from an accredited institution of higher learning, and submit an official transcript, have completed two (2) years of full time or four thousand (4000) hours of experience while providing alcohol and drug abuse counseling services under the direct supervision of a Qualified Clinical Supervisor who meets the requirements of the rules of the Board and have alcohol and drug abuse counseling education and training within the eight domains, as listed in T.C.A. § 68-24-606
					Exams: Jurisprudence examination approved by the Board; NCAC Level II written examination; NCCAP or MAC written examination. Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1200-30-01-.04
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Texas	No	No	No	Yes	High school diploma or its equivalent = 270 hours (or 18 semester hours) of chemical dependency curricula. Associate degree = 270 hours: 135 hours (or 9 semester hours) specific to substance abuse disorders and treatment and an additional 135 hours, or nine semester hours, specific or related to chemical dependency counseling Bachelor's degree = exempt from the 270 hours of education.
					Exams: The International Certification Reciprocity Consortium exam
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
U.S. Virgin Islands	No	No	No	Yes	Hold a minimum of a master's degree in addictions counseling, professional counseling, counselor education, counseling psychology, community mental health or in a comparable field with a concentration in mental health and substance abuse, with graduate level coursework in each of the following: • Counseling Theory & Practice • Human Growth & Development • Lifestyle & Career Development • Group Dynamics, processes, counseling & consulting • Appraisal/Assessment & Testing of Individuals • Principles of diagnosis, treatment, planning & prevention of mental & emotional disorders & dysfunctional behavior • Social & cultural foundation / Multi-cultural counseling • Marriage and family counseling/therapy • Research & program evaluation • Professional orientation & ethics.
					Exams: NCE/NCHCE, LSAC
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.

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Utah	No	No	No	Yes	2 prerequisite courses; 200 hours of substance use disorder related education; and a supervised practicum of at least 200 hours Exams: NAADAC Levels I & II or MAC or written ICRCADC or AADC KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Vermont	No	No	No	Yes	To be eligible for LADC licensure, a person shall: (a) possess a qualifying degree, which shall: (i) be a master's degree or doctorate in a human-services field from an accredited college or university, including a degree in counseling, social work, psychology, or an allied mental health field, or a master's degree or higher in a health care profession regulated under Titles 26 or 33 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated; (ii) have required the attainment of at least 600 hours of supervised internship; and (iii) have required the accrual of at least 60 graduate credit hours; provided, however, that qualifying degrees based upon at least 48 but fewer than 60 graduate credit hours may be recognized if supplemented with coursework prescribed by the Director; Administrative Rules for Alcohol & Drug Counselors Exams: AADC KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Virginia	No	No	No	Yes	Pursuant to regulations adopted by the Board, an applicant for a license as a licensed substance abuse treatment practitioner shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Board that the applicant has (i) completed a specified number of hours of graduate studies, including a specified number of didactic substance abuse education courses at, and has received a master's degree in substance abuse or a substantially equivalent master's degree from, an institution of higher education accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the Board; and (ii) completed a specified number of hours of experience involving the practice of substance abuse treatment supervised by a licensed substance abuse treatment practitioner, or by any other mental health professional licensed by the Department, such number of hours being greater than the number of hours required of a certified substance abuse counseling assistant. Exams: Every applicant for licensure as a substance abuse treatment practitioner by examination shall pass a written examination as prescribed by the board. Such applicant is required to pass the prescribed examination within six years from the date of initial issuance of a resident license by the board. 18 Va. Admin. Code 115-60-90. KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Washington	No	No	No	Yes	The minimum education requirements for a substance use disorder professional credential are: (a) An associate's degree in human services or related field from an approved school; (b) Successful completion of 90 quarter or 60 semester college credits in courses from an approved school; or (c) Successful completion of an approved and registered apprenticeship program. Exams: NAADAC or ICRC & CAC Level II or higher KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
West Virginia	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	Addiction Counseling license type not offered or required; KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.

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Wisconsin	No	No	No	Yes	<p>An applicant for certification as a clinical substance abuse counselor shall submit all of the following: (4) Evidence of one of the following: (a) Holding a substance abuse counselor credential. (b) Completion of 360 hours of substance use disorder specialized education through a postsecondary institution or department--approved education program. The 360 hours shall be in all of the following: 1. Sixty hours in assessment training. 2. Sixty hours in counseling training. 3. Sixty hours in case management. 4. Sixty hours in patient education. 5. Sixty hours in professional responsibility. 6. Six hours in boundaries and ethics. 7. Fifty--four hours in electives in any of the subjects in subds. 1. to 6. (5) Evidence of an associate's degree or higher in a behavioral science field from an accredited university or college. Wis. Admin. Code § 161.03 SPS 166.01</p>
					Exams: Jurisprudence exam; NAADAC's NCACI exam
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.
Wyoming	No	No	No	Yes	<p>The educational requirement for certification as an addictions practitioner may be met: (a) By holding a current National Certified Addictions Counselor Level II (NCACII) certification in good standing; or (b) By receiving a baccalaureate degree in addiction therapy from an educational institution accredited by one of the regional or national institutional accrediting bodies recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA); or (c) By receiving a baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral discipline from an educational institution accredited by one of the regional or national institutional accrediting bodies recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and by completing an addictions specific associates degree or higher from an educational institution accredited by the National Addictions Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC); or (d) By receiving a baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral discipline from an educational institution accredited by one of the regional or national institutional accrediting bodies recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and by completing course work (either graduate or undergraduate) in each of the core areas defined herein: (i) Each of the following four (4) courses shall be completed: (A) Counseling Theories-- Three (3) Semester Credits. Theories and principles of counseling and psychotherapy. (B) Counseling Skills-- Three (3) Semester Credits. Methods and techniques of individual and group counseling. (C) Practicum in Addictions/Chemical Dependency Counseling-- Three (3) Semester Credits. (D) Counseling Ethics-- Two (2) Semester Credits.</p>
					Exams: NAADAC's NCAC Level II; IC&RC; or other as approved by the Board.
					KWU degree is offered with the understanding that the degree can only lead to licensure within the State of Kansas and cannot be used for interstate compacts or reciprocity agreements.