

Counseling Licensure Requirements - CALIFORNIA

Licensed Professional Counseling	Marriage and Family Therapy
<p>Educational Requirement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master's degree or higher that is counseling or psychotherapy in content: • Enrolled before 8/1/12 and graduate before 12/31/18: Minimum of 48 graduate semester hours • Enrolled after 8/1/12 or graduate after 12/31/18: Minimum of 60 graduate semester hours. • Additional Educational Requirements: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 15 contact hours in alcoholism and other chemical substance abuse, dependency 2) 10 contact hours in human sexuality 3) A two semester unit or three quarter unit survey course in psychopharmacology. 4) 15 contact hours in spousal or partner abuse assessment, detection, and intervention strategies. 5) 7 contact hours in child abuse assessment and reporting. (6) 18 contact hours in California law and professional ethics for professional clinical counselors* (possible that graduate course work will suffice) (7) 10 contact hours in aging and long- term care* (8) 15 contact hours in crisis or trauma counseling* <p>Experiential Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3,000 hours of postmaster's supervised counseling experience. 1,750 have to be Direct Client Contact hours. <p>Areas with guidance on hours:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☒ 500 hours max for group counseling ☒ 250 hours max for phone crisis counseling ☒ 150 hours minimum of clinical experience in a hospital or community mental health setting; ☒ combined total of 1,250 hours combined total max: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (A) Direct supervisor contact. (B) Client centered advocacy. (C) 250 hours max in administering tests, (D) 250 hours max in attending conferences <p>Exam Required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCMHCE (as of January 1, 2014) – taken after experiential requirements have been fulfilled. <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • California Law and Ethics Examination– taken while acquiring Supervision. <p>WEBSITE: http://www.bbs.ca.gov/</p> <p>CA Board of Behavioral Sciences 1625 N. Market Boulevard, Suite S-200 Sacramento, CA 95834</p> <p><i>continued on next page</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earn a master's degree • Complete the California MFT intern application • Complete 3000 hours of supervised work experience • Take the licensing examinations • http://www.bbs.ca.gov/app-reg/mft_presentation.shtml <p>California Board of Behavioral Sciences 1625 North Market Blvd, Suite S-200 Sacramento, CA 95834</p> <p>Phone: (916) 574-7830 Fax: (916) 574-8625 Email: bbswebmaster@dca.ca.gov</p> <p>Website: www.bbs.ca.gov</p> <p>License Categories: Marriage and Family Therapist and Marriage and Family Therapist Intern.</p>

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Licensure requirements and additional information can be found on their website.

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PCCI Registration Application \$100
PCCI Annual Registration Renewal \$100
LPCC Examination Eligibility Application: \$280 (\$180 application, \$100 California law and ethics examination)
LPCC Biennial License Renewal \$175