

## Counseling Licensure Requirements: Illinois

Licensed Professional Counseling	Marriage and Family Therapy
<p><b>Educational Requirement:</b></p> <p><b>LCPC</b> Master's degree or higher in professional counseling or a related field from a regionally accredited college/university.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Hold a current Certified Clinical Mental Health Counselor (CCMHC) credential issued by NBCC (meets all requirements for licensure as an LCPC).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Note: Certain other certifications meet all or part of LPC or LCPC licensure requirements; please contact board for more information.</li> </ul> <p><b>LPC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Master's degree or higher in professional counseling or related field of at least 48 semester hours from a regionally accredited college/ university in a program approved by the IL Dept. of Professional Regulation.</li> <li>CACREP and CORE accredited programs in professional counseling are approved programs for both LPC and LCPC licensure.</li> </ul> <p><b>Experiential Requirements:</b></p> <p><b>LCPC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 years/3,360 hours of full-time, satisfactory, Supervised employment or experience working as a clinical professional counselor in a professional capacity under the direction of a qualified supervisor, subsequent to degree.</li> <li>1,920 hours must be direct face-to-face service to clients.</li> <li>One year = maximum of 1,680 hours, including 960 hours of direct face-to-face service to clients.</li> <li>If applicant holds a doctoral degree, one year must be subsequent to the degree and internships may count towards professional experience.</li> </ul> <p><b>Exam Required:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>LCPC</b> NCE and NCMHCE or ECCP or CRCE <b>LPC</b> NCE or CRCE</li> </ul> <p><b>WEBSITE:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="http://www.idfpr.com/profs/ProfCounselor.asp">http://www.idfpr.com/profs/ProfCounselor.asp</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Earn a graduate degree</li> <li>Complete 1000 hours of supervised experience</li> <li>Register for the Examination in Marital and Family Therapy</li> </ul> <p><a href="http://www.iamft.org/ohana/website/index.cfm?p=95575656258">http://www.iamft.org/ohana/website/index.cfm?p=95575656258</a></p>
<p><b>IL Professional Counselor Licensing and Disciplinary Board</b> 320 W. Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Springfield, IL 62786 217/785-0800 217/524-6735 <b>TDD</b> 217/782-7645 (fax) <b>LCPC License: \$150</b> <b>LPC License: \$150</b></p>	<p><b>Illinois Marriage and Family Therapist Licensing and Disciplinary Board</b> Illinois Dept of Professional Regulation 320 W. Washington St., 3rd Floor Springfield, IL 62786 <b>Phone:</b> (888) 473-4858 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.idfpr.com/profs/MarrFamTherapy.asp">www.idfpr.com/profs/MarrFamTherapy.asp</a> <b>License Categories:</b> Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and Associate Marriage and Family Therapist</p>