

## Counseling Licensure Requirements: Montana

Licensed Professional Counseling	Marriage and Family Therapy
<p><b>Educational Requirement:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A 60 semester hour (or 90 quarter hour) counseling-innate graduate degree from an accredited institution which includes specific coursework and a 6 semester hour advanced counseling practicum.</li> </ul> <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applicants may apply for licensure with a minimum of 45 semester hours (67.5 quarter hours) master's degree in counseling which includes specific coursework and a 6 semester hour advanced counseling practicum. Applicants must complete the remaining hours within 5 years of the original application approval date. Applicants are not eligible for full licensure nor are they eligible to test until the hours are completed.</li> </ul> <p><b>Experiential Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3,000 hours of supervised counseling experience, 1,500 hours of which must be postdegree.</li> <li>1,000 of the 1,500 hours must be direct client contact (250 can be group). Must have 1 hour of supervision for every 20 hours.</li> <li>Supervision must be under a licensed professional counselor or licensed allied mental health professional who has had 20 clock hours of supervision training and the agreement has been approved by the board.</li> </ul> <p><b>Exam Required:</b> NCE</p> <p><b>WEBSITE:</b> <a href="http://www.humanservicesedu.org/montana-counseling-lcpc.html">http://www.humanservicesedu.org/montana-counseling-lcpc.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://b.bsd.dli.mt.gov/license/bsd_boards/bbh_board/board_page.asp">http://b.bsd.dli.mt.gov/license/bsd_boards/bbh_board/board_page.asp</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Graduate degree</li> <li>3000 hours supervised experience</li> <li>Pass the American Association for Marriage &amp; Family Therapy (AAMFT)</li> <li>Contact the Montana Board of Social Work Examiners and Professional Counselors</li> <li>(406) 841-2392</li> <li><a href="http://b.bsd.dli.mt.gov/license/bsd_boards/bbh_board/board_page.asp">http://b.bsd.dli.mt.gov/license/bsd_boards/bbh_board/board_page.asp</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>MT Board of Social Work Examiners and Professional Counselors</b>            301 South Park, 4th Floor            P.O. Box 200513, Helena, MT 59620            406/841-2392            406/841-2305 (fax)  <b>CONTACT:</b> <a href="mailto:dlibsdswp@state.mt.us">dlibsdswp@state.mt.us</a>  <b>WEBSITE:</b> <a href="http://www.swpc.mt.gov">www.swpc.mt.gov</a></p> <p>Application fee: \$50            Initial License fee: \$50</p> <p><b>MT requires fingerprint and background checks of all applicants.</b></p>	<p><b>Montana Board of Social Work Examiners and Professional Counselors</b>            Department of Labor and Industry 301 South Park, 4th Floor            P.O. Box 200513            Helena, MT 59620-0513  <b>Phone:</b> (406) 841-2392  <b>Fax:</b> (406) 841-2305  <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:cbreen@mt.gov">cbreen@mt.gov</a>  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.swpc.mt.gov">www.swpc.mt.gov</a>  <b>License Categories:</b> Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist</p>