

Counseling Licensure Requirements: Pennsylvania

Licensed Professional Counseling	Marriage and Family Therapy
<p>Educational Requirement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful completion of a planned program of 60 semester hours (or 90 quarter hours) of graduate coursework in counseling or a field closely related to the practice of professional counseling, including a 48 semester hour (or 72 quarter hour) master's degree in professional counseling or in a field closely related to the practice of professional counseling. <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doctoral degree in counseling or in a field closely related to the practice of professional counseling. <p>AND for both:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of coursework in 9 core areas including a supervised practicum (100 hours) and internship (600 hours). The supervised internship experience shall begin after completion of the supervised practicum experience. <p>Experiential Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 years/3,600 hours of supervised clinical experience after completing 48 graduate level credits (or 72 quarter hours). (Have to complete at least 600 hours a year and no more than 1,800 a year) • If obtained a doctoral degree in counseling: 2 years/ 2,400 hours of supervised clinical experience. 1 year/ 1,200 hours must be obtained post degree. • Supervision must be provided by a qualified supervisor. At least 1,800 hours must be completed under an LPC that has 5 years of experience within the last 10 years as a professional counselor. There should be 2 hours of supervision for every 40 hours of client hours. • The remaining hours may be completed under an individual that holds a license and has at least a master's degree in a related field and 5 years of experience within the last 10 years in that field. <p>Exam Required: Any ONE of the following: NCE CRCE ATCB CBMT PEPK AAODA EMAC</p> <p>WEBSITE: http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/Pages/default.aspx</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earn a graduate degree • Complete 3600 hours of supervised clinical work experience • Take the National Marital and Family Therapist Examination • http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/Pages/default.aspx
<p>PA State Board of Social Workers, Marriage & Family Therapists and Professional Counselors P.O Box 2649, Harrisburg, PA 17105-2649 717/783-1389 717/787-7769 (fax) Board Administrator: Sandra Matter CONTACT: St-socialwork@state.pa.us Application and Initial License fee: \$45</p>	<p>Pennsylvania State Board of SW, MFT and Prof Coun Department of State Bureau of Professional and Occupational P.O. Box 2649 Harrisburg, PA 17105-2649 Phone: (717) 783-1389 Fax: (717) 787-7769 Email: ST-SOCIALWORK@state.pa.us Website: www.dos.state.pa.us/professionallicensing License Categories: Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist</p>