



MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DISCLOSURE

ACADEMIC PROGRAM	Professional Counseling, Clinical Mental Health Counseling (EDS)
COLLEGE	Education
DEPARTMENT	Womack Educational Leadership
LICENSE	Licensed Professional Counselor - Mental Health Service Provider
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Pursuant to 34 CFR [§668.43](#), Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) provides the following disclosure related to the educational requirements for professional licensure and certification necessary for employment in Tennessee.

The Education Specialist in Professional Counseling, Clinical Mental Health Counseling (EDS PC-CMHC) in the College of Education is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). Admission to the program does not guarantee that students will obtain a license or certification. The educational requirements for licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor – Mental Health Services Provider in Tennessee are a minimum of 60 semester hours at the graduate level in counseling or a closely related field, including completed coursework related to the diagnosis, treatment, appraisal, and assessment of mental disorders. Successful program completion meets the educational requirements.

The table beginning on page two of this disclosure indicates the states and territories where MTSU has determined, through reasonable, good faith effort, that the EDS PC-CMHC does or does not meet the educational requirements to sit for the obtain licensure or certification as a Licensed Professional Counselor – Mental Health Service Provider where required. Licensing authorities for each state set and enforce their own requirements and standards, which are subject to change. State requirements may include additional and recurring requirements, such as an application, supervision, examinations, continuing education, fees, fingerprinting, a background check, etc. MTSU strongly recommends that prospective and current students not located in Tennessee or who plan to seek licensure or certification outside the state of Tennessee consult the [state directory](#) published by the [National Board for Certified Counselors](#) (NBCC) and contact the appropriate state licensing agency or board before enrolling in the program. Students should discuss their plans with an advisor to ensure they have the most up-to-date information and guidance regarding licensure or registration requirements.

State or Territory	Does Meet	Does Not Meet	Determination Additional Information	State Licensing Agency Information		
Alabama (AL)	✓		Educational requirements are a master's degree in counseling from a minimum 60-hour CACREP accredited program at an accredited institution. Coursework must include counseling theory, human growth and development, social/multicultural foundations, the helping relationship, group dynamics, lifestyle and career development, appraisal, research and evaluation, professional orientation, practicum, and internship.	Alabama Board of Examiners in Counseling 950 22nd Street North, Suite 765 Birmingham, AL 35203		
Alaska (AK)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Alaska Board of Professional Counselors P.O. Box 110608 Juneau, AK 99811-0806		
American Samoa (AS)			Have not determined			
Arizona (AZ)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of minimum 60-hour CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with supervised counseling practicum.	Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners 1740 West Adams Street, #3600 Phoenix, AZ 85007		
Arkansas (AR)		✓	Educational requirements are an approved 60-hour minimum master's degree from an accredited institution including coursework in professional identity and ethics, social and cultural diversity, human growth and development, career development, helping relations, group work, assessment, research and program evaluation, abnormal psychology, family and relationship. Arkansas also requires a one-hour technology in counseling course.	Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling and Marriage & Family Therapy 101 East Capitol, Suite 202 Little Rock, Arkansas 72201		
California (CA)		✓	Educational requirements are a master's degree in counseling from a minimum 60-hour CACREP accredited program at an accredited institution. California requires a California Law and Ethics course beyond the EDS PC-CMHC.	California Board of Behavioral Sciences 1625 North Market Boulevard, Suite S-200 Sacramento, CA 95834		
Colorado (CO)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of a minimum 60-hour master's level or higher CACREP accredited professional counseling program from an accredited institution.	Colorado State Board of Licensed Professional Counselor Examiners 1560 Broadway, Suite 1350 Denver, CO 80202		

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Connecticut (CT)	✓		Educational requirements are a master's or higher degree in counseling from a minimum 60-hour program at an accredited institution. Coursework must include human growth and development, social/multicultural foundations, counseling theories or the helping relationship, group dynamics, processing and counseling, lifestyle and career development, appraisal, research and evaluation, and professional orientation.	Connecticut Department of Public Health Professional Counselor Licensure 410 Capitol Ave., MS #12 APP P.O. Box 340308
Delaware (DE)	✓		Educational requirements are master's degree in clinical mental health counseling with 60-hours of coursework in clinical mental health counseling.	Delaware Board of Mental Health and Chemical Dependency Professionals Cannon Building, Suite 203 861 Silver Lake Blvd. Dover, DE 19904
District of Columbia (DC)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 48 hours in counseling.	District of Columbia Board of Professional Counseling 899 North Capitol Street, NE Washington, DC 20002
Florida (FL)		✓	Educational requirements are a master's degree in counseling from a minimum 60-hour CACREP accredited program at an accredited institution. Florida requires a course on human sexuality and a course in substance abuse.	Florida Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage & Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling 4052 Bald Cypress Way Bin C-08 Tallahassee, FL 32399-3258
Georgia (GA)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of counseling program from an accredited institution that includes 300-hour minimum practicum or internship.	Georgia Secretary of State Professional Licensing Boards Division 237 Coliseum Drive Macon, Georgia 31217
Guam (GU)	✓		Educational requirements are master's or higher degree from an accredited institution.	Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners 194 Hernan Cortez Avenue, Suite 213 Hagatna, Guam 96910
Hawaii (HI)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of at least 48 hours of coursework in counseling, including at least three hours in each of the following areas: human growth and development, social and cultural foundations, counseling theory and applications, group theory and practice, career and lifestyle development, appraisal of human behavior, tests and measurements, research and program evaluation, professional orientation and ethics.	Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs Professional & Vocational Licensing Mental Health Counselor Program P.O. Box 3469 Honolulu, HI 96801

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Idaho (ID)	✓		Educational requirements are a master's degree in counseling from a minimum 60-hour CACREP accredited program at an accredited institution.	Idaho Licensing Board of Professional Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapists 700 West State Street Boise, ID 83702
Illinois (IL)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of at least 48 hours of coursework in counseling, including at least three hours in each of the following areas: human growth and development, social and cultural foundations, counseling theory and applications, group theory and practice, career and lifestyle development, appraisal of individuals, research and evaluation, professional orientation and ethics, psychotherapy and maladaptive behavior, addictions, family dynamics, practicum/internship.	Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation 100 West Randolph, 9th Floor Chicago, IL 60601
Indiana (IN)	✓		Educational requirements are a master's degree in counseling from a minimum 60-hour CACREP accredited program at an accredited institution. Indiana rules: http://iac.iga.in.gov/iac/T08390/A00010.PDF	Indiana Behavioral Health and Human Services Licensing Board 402 W. Washington Street, Room W072 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
Iowa (IA)	✓		Educational requirements are a master's degree in counseling from a minimum 60-hour CACREP accredited program at an accredited institution.	Iowa Bureau of Professional Licensure Iowa Department of Public Health Lucas State Office Bldg., 5th Floor 321 East 12th Street Des Moines, IA 50319-0075
Kansas (KS)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of at least 60 hours of coursework in counseling, including at least three hours in each of the following areas: counseling theory/practice, helping relationship, group dynamics, human growth and development, career and lifestyle development, appraisal of individuals, social and cultural foundations, research and evaluation, professional orientation and ethics, practicum/internship.	Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board 700 SW Harrison St, Suite 420 Topeka, KS 66603-3929
Kentucky (KY)	✓		Educational requirements are a master's degree in counseling from a minimum 60-hour CACREP accredited program.	Kentucky Board of Licensed Professional Counselors 911 Leawood Drive Frankfort, KY 40601

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Louisiana (LA)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of graduate level CACREP accredited program with coursework in counseling/psychotherapy theories of personality, human growth development, abnormal behavior, techniques of counseling, group dynamics, lifestyle and career development, appraisal, ethics and professional orientation, and practicum/internship.	Louisiana LPC Board of Examiners 8631 Summa Avenue Baton Rouge, LA 70809
Maine (ME)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Maine Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation 35 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333-0035
Maryland (MD)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of at least 60 hours of coursework in counseling, including at least three hours in each of the following areas: human growth and personality development, social and cultural foundations, counseling theory, counseling techniques, group dynamics, processing, and counseling, career and lifestyle development, appraisal, research and evaluation, professional, legal, and ethical responsibilities, marriage and family therapy, diagnosis and psychopathology, psychotherapy and treatment of mental and emotional disorders, and alcohol and drug counseling.	Maryland Department of Health, Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists 4201 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215-2299
Massachusetts (MA)	✓		Educational requirements are master's degree or higher in mental health counseling with a minimum of 60 hours from a recognized educational institution. Coursework must include counseling theory, human growth and development, psychopathology, social and cultural foundations, clinical skills, group work, special treatment issues, appraisal, research and evaluation, professional orientation, practicum, and internship.	Massachusetts Board of Registration of Allied Mental Health and Human Services Professions 1000 Washington Street, Suite 710 Boston, MA 02118
Michigan (MI)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours.	Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Ottawa Building 611 W. Ottawa P.O. Box 30004 Lansing, MI 48909
Minnesota (MN)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum 700 practicum/internship hours.	Minnesota Board of Behavioral Health & Therapy 2829 University Ave SE, Suite 210 Minneapolis MN 55414

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Mississippi (MS)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of at least 60 hours of coursework in counseling, including at least three hours in each of the following areas: human growth and personality development, social and cultural foundations, counseling and psychotherapy skills, group counseling, career and lifestyle development, testing appraisal, research and evaluation, professional orientation to counseling or ethics, theories of counseling psychotherapy and personality, marriage and/or family counseling/therapy, and abnormal psychology and psychopathology.	Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors 239 North Lamar Street, Suite 402 Jackson, MS 39201
Missouri (MO)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 48 hours.	Missouri Division of Professional Registration 3605 Missouri Boulevard P.O. Box 1335 Jefferson City, MO 65102-1335
Montana (MT)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Montana Department of Labor & Industry 301 South Park PO Box 200513 Helena MT 59620-0513
Nebraska (NE)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited master's program.	Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services P.O. Box 95026 Lincoln, NE 68509-5026
Nevada (NV)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program.	Nevada Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists & Clinical Professional Counselors 7324 West Cheyenne Suite #9 Las Vegas, Nevada 89129
New Hampshire (NH)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	New Hampshire Office of Professional Licensure and Certification 121 South Fruit Street Concord, NH 03301

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New Jersey (NJ)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling, 45 hours of which must be in at least eight of the following areas: counseling theory and practice, the helping relationship, human growth and development, lifestyle and career development, group dynamics, appraisal, social and cultural foundations, research and evaluation, and the counseling profession.	New Jersey Professional Counselor Examiners Committee 24 Halsey Street Newark New Jersey 07102
New Mexico (NM)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of a graduate level counseling program with minimum of 48 hours in counseling.	New Mexico Regulation & Licensing Department PO Box 25101 Santa Fe, NM 87504
New York (NY)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	New York State Education Department, Office of the Professions Division of Professional Licensing Services, Certification and Verification Unit 89 Washington Avenue Albany, NY 12234-1000
North Carolina (NC)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	North Carolina Board of Licensed Professional Counselors P.O. Box 77819 Greensboro, NC 27417
North Dakota (ND)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling including coursework in counseling theories, counseling methods, group counseling, individual appraisal, counseling research methods, human growth and development, multicultural counseling, career and lifestyle development, professional orientation and ethics, practicum, and internship.	North Dakota Board of Counselor Examiners 2112 10th Avenue SE Mandan, ND 58544
Northern Mariana Islands (MP)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 48 hours in counseling, six hours of field experience, and coursework in the following content areas: human growth and development, social and cultural foundations, helping relationships, group counseling, career counseling, assessment, research and program evaluation, and professional orientation.	

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Ohio (OH)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with a minimum 100 hour practicum and 600 hour internship.	Ohio Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage & Family Therapist Board 77 South High Street, 24th Floor, Room 2468 Columbus, Ohio 43215-6171
Oklahoma (OK)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 300 hour practicum.	Oklahoma State Board of Behavioral Health Licensure (BBHL) 3815 N. Santa Fe, Suite 110 Oklahoma City, OK 73118
Oregon (OR)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling from an accredited institution.	Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists 3218 Pringle Rd. SE, Suite 120 Salem, OR 97302-6312
Pennsylvania (PA)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of graduate level counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Pennsylvania State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors 302 North Office Building, 401 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17120
Puerto Rico (PR)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Puerto Rico Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors PO Box 10200 San Juan, Puerto Rico, 00908
Rhode Island (RI)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Rhode Island Department of Health 3 Capitol Hill Providence, RI 02908
South Carolina (SC)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation 110 Centerview Dr. Columbia, S.C. 29210
South Dakota (SD)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	South Dakota Board of Examiners for Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapists P.O. Box 340 1351 N. Harrison Ave. Pierre, SD 57501

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Tennessee (TN)	✓		Educational requirements are a master's or higher degree in counseling from an accredited program, including 60 hours in counseling or closely related field with at least nine hours of coursework related to diagnosis, treatment, appraisal and assessment of mental disorders. Minimum 500-hour practicum or internship, of which at least 300 hours are completed in a mental health or community agency setting.	Tennessee Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, Licensed Marital and Family Therapists and Licensed Pastoral Therapists 710 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243
Texas (TX)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors Texas Department of State Health Services Mail Code 1982 PO Box 149347 Austin, Texas 78714-9347
Utah (UT)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Utah Department of Commerce Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing P.O. Box 146741 Salt Lake City, UT 84111-6741
Vermont (VT)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Vermont State Board of Allied Mental Health 89 Main St, 3rd Floor Montpelier VT 05620-3402
Virgin Islands (VI)			Have not determined.	
Virginia (VA)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of at least 60 hours of coursework in counseling, including at least three hours in each of the following areas: professional counseling identify, function, and ethics, theories of counseling and psychotherapy, counseling and psychotherapy techniques, human growth and development, group counseling and psychotherapy techniques, appraisal, abnormal behavior and psychotherapy, multicultural counseling theories and techniques, research, diagnosis and treatment of addictive disorders, marriage and family systems theory.	Virginia Board of Counseling 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300 Henrico Virginia 23233-1463
Washington (WA)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Washington State Department of Health 111 Israel Rd SE Tumwater, WA 98501

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West Virginia (WV)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	West Virginia Board of Examiners in Counseling 815 Quarrier Street, Suite 212 Charleston, WV 25301
Wisconsin (WI)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Wisconsin MPSW Examining Board DSPS P.O. Box 8366 Madison, WI 53708-8366
Wyoming (WY)	✓		Educational requirements are completion of CACREP accredited clinical mental health counseling program with minimum of 60 hours in counseling.	Wyoming Mental Health Profession Licensing Board 2001 Capitol Ave, Room 105 Cheyenne WY 82002

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