

Graduates who complete this program will have met the state requirements and will be eligible for the Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) license or the Licensed Professional Counselor- Mental Health Service Provider (LPC-MSHP) license in Tennessee. This program prepares students for community counseling in settings such as hospitals, health centers, community agencies, and etc. All graduate courses are online. There is a mandatory three-day residency on the UT Martin Campus upon the completion of 15 credit hours.

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The following chart represents a review of the counseling licensure requirements in each U.S. state and/or territory. This list is for informational purposes only and is not a definitive statement concerning licensure. All students and prospective students are encouraged to research and learn the licensure rules, regulations and laws of the state from which they plan to seek licensure.

| States where UTM's program meets licensure requirements | Notes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | State Licensure Websites                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Date Reviewed |
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| Alabama                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://abec.alabama.gov/">https://abec.alabama.gov/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 7/8/2025      |
| Alaska                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/ProfessionalCounselors/ApplicationsForms.aspx">https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/ProfessionalCounselors/ApplicationsForms.aspx</a>                                                     | 7/8/2025      |
| Arizona                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://www.azleg.gov/ars/32/03301.htm">https://www.azleg.gov/ars/32/03301.htm</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 7/8/2025      |
| Arkansas                                                | Require a "B" grade in each of the core courses: Professional Identity & Ethics; Social and Cultural Diversity; Human Growth and Development; Career Development; Helping Relations; Group Work; Assessment; Research and Program Evaluation; Psychopathology; Family & Relationship; Use of Technology in Counseling; 9 hrs of Practicum/internship | <a href="https://healthy.arkansas.gov/boards-commissions/boards/examiners-in-counseling-arkansas-state-board/">https://healthy.arkansas.gov/boards-commissions/boards/examiners-in-counseling-arkansas-state-board/</a>                                                                     | 7/8/2025      |
| Colorado                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://dpo.colorado.gov/ProfessionalCounselor">https://dpo.colorado.gov/ProfessionalCounselor</a>                                                                                                                                                                                 | 7/8/2025      |
| Connecticut                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/Professional-Counselor/Educational-Requirements">https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/Professional-Counselor/Educational-Requirements</a>                                             | 7/8/2025      |
| District of Columbia                                    | Requires a course in marriage and family counseling, which we offer as an elective                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <a href="https://dchealth.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/publication/attachments/Practicum%20-%20Internship%20Form.pdf">https://dchealth.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/publication/attachments/Practicum%20-%20Internship%20Form.pdf</a>                                 | 7/8/2025      |
| Florida                                                 | Must take human sexuality course. Our program does not offer this course, but may be offered as a Special Topics course if needed, to be used as an elective course.                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/licensing/licensed-mental-health-counselor/">https://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/licensing/licensed-mental-health-counselor/</a>                                                                                               | 7/8/2025      |
| Delaware                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/profcounselors/newlicense/">https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/profcounselors/newlicense/</a>                                                                                                                                                         | 7/8/2025      |
| Georgia                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://rules.sos.ga.gov/gac/135-5">https://rules.sos.ga.gov/gac/135-5</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 7/8/2025      |
| Guam                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://guamhplo.org/sites/default/files/gbahe_lpc_mft_lmhc_application_packet.pdf">https://guamhplo.org/sites/default/files/gbahe_lpc_mft_lmhc_application_packet.pdf</a>                                                                                                         | 7/8/2025      |
| Hawaii                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/mental/">https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/mental/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                       | 7/8/2025      |
| Idaho                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://apps.dopl.idaho.gov/DOPLPortal/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=COU">https://apps.dopl.idaho.gov/DOPLPortal/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=COU</a>                                                                                                                                             | 7/8/2025      |
| Illinois                                                | Must include a course in family dynamics, which we offer as an elective.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <a href="https://www.ilcounseling.org/page/counselor_education">https://www.ilcounseling.org/page/counselor_education</a>                                                                                                                                                                   | 7/8/2025      |
| Indiana                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/behavioral-health-and-human-services/behavioral-health-and-human-services-licensing-information/#1A">https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/behavioral-health-and-human-services/behavioral-health-and-human-services-licensing-information/#1A</a> | 7/8/2025      |
| Iowa                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://dial.iowa.gov/licenses/medical/mental-health/mental-behavioral">https://dial.iowa.gov/licenses/medical/mental-health/mental-behavioral</a>                                                                                                                                 | 7/8/2025      |
| Kansas                                                  | If applying for the LCPC license you need 15 graduate credit hours in diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders. This is more than we offer.                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <a href="https://ksbsrb.ks.gov/professions/professional-counselors">https://ksbsrb.ks.gov/professions/professional-counselors</a>                                                                                                                                                           | 7/8/2025      |
| Kentucky                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/kar/201/036/070.pdf">https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/kar/201/036/070.pdf</a>                                                                                                                                                               | 7/9/2025      |
| Louisiana                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://www.lpcboard.org/application">https://www.lpcboard.org/application</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 7/8/2025      |
| Maine                                                   | LPC licensure requirements are met. If applying for LCPC, 900 internship hours are required. Our program requires 700 hours. However, if the applicant has obtained 1,000 hours of post-graduate counseling under direct clinical supervision, fewer internship hours from the graduate degree will be accepted.                                     | <a href="https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/board-of-counseling-professionals-licensure/home/laws-rules">https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/board-of-counseling-professionals-licensure/home/laws-rules</a>                               | 7/8/2025      |

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| Maryland                 | Must take a course in marriage and family counseling which we offer as an elective.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <a href="https://health.maryland.gov/bopc/Pages/profcounselor.aspx">https://health.maryland.gov/bopc/Pages/profcounselor.aspx</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 7/8/2025  |
| Massachusetts            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.mass.gov/regulations/262-CMR-200-requirements-for-licensure-as-a-mental-health-counselor">https://www.mass.gov/regulations/262-CMR-200-requirements-for-licensure-as-a-mental-health-counselor</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 7/8/2025  |
| Michigan                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.michigan.gov/lara/-/media/Project/Websites/lara/bpl/Counseling/Licensing-Info-and-Forms/Counselor-Licensing-Guide.pdf?rev=55d02007abc8437fb5da58f662619f3a&amp;hash=9EC6D965E11986A70904E4F030A573CF">https://www.michigan.gov/lara/-/media/Project/Websites/lara/bpl/Counseling/Licensing-Info-and-Forms/Counselor-Licensing-Guide.pdf?rev=55d02007abc8437fb5da58f662619f3a&amp;hash=9EC6D965E11986A70904E4F030A573CF</a> | 7/8/2025  |
| Minnesota                | Must take a course in marriage and family counseling. We offer this course as an elective.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <a href="https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/148B.53">https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/148B.53</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 7/8/2025  |
| Mississippi              | offer this course as an elective.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <a href="https://www.lpc.ms.gov/">https://www.lpc.ms.gov/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 7/8/2025  |
|                          | Asynchronous learning not to exceed fifty percent (50%) total course work. For the purpose of this rule, asynchronous learning, non-interactive communication shall be defined as those courses in which the student has no means of simultaneously interacting with the course instructor visually and verbally during the transmission of course information. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 7/8/2025  |
| Missouri                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://pr.mo.gov/counselors.asp">https://pr.mo.gov/counselors.asp</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |           |
| Montana                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="http://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/bbh#1?3">http://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/bbh#1?3</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 7/8/2025  |
| Nebraska                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.nebraska.gov/rules-and-regs/regsearch/Rules/Health_and_Human_Services_System/Title-172/Chapter-094.pdf">https://www.nebraska.gov/rules-and-regs/regsearch/Rules/Health_and_Human_Services_System/Title-172/Chapter-094.pdf</a>                                                                                                                                                                                             | 7/8/2025  |
| Nevada                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="http://marriage.nv.gov/Services/CPC/">http://marriage.nv.gov/Services/CPC/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 7/9/2025  |
| New Hampshire            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rules/state_agencies/mhp300.html">http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rules/state_agencies/mhp300.html</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 7/8/2025  |
| New Jersey               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/pc/Pages/regulations.aspx">https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/pc/Pages/regulations.aspx</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 7/8/2025  |
| New Mexico               | A minimum of 12 semester hours or 18 quarter hours of graduate coursework in studies that provide an understanding of all aspects of diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders                                                                                                                                                                                | <a href="https://www.srca.nm.gov/nmac-home/nmac-titles/title-16-occupational-and-professional-licensing/chapter-27-counselors-and-therapists/">https://www.srca.nm.gov/nmac-home/nmac-titles/title-16-occupational-and-professional-licensing/chapter-27-counselors-and-therapists/</a>                                                                                                                                                         | 7/9/2025  |
| New York                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.op.nysed.gov/professions/mental-health-counselors/license-requirements">https://www.op.nysed.gov/professions/mental-health-counselors/license-requirements</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 7/9/2025  |
| North Carolina           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://ncblcmhc.org/Licensure/Applying/LCMHC">https://ncblcmhc.org/Licensure/Applying/LCMHC</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 7/9/2025  |
| North Dakota             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="http://www.ndbce.org/">http://www.ndbce.org/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 7/9/2025  |
| Northern Mariana Islands | Counseling licensure begins on p. 212 of the document in the following link.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <a href="https://cnmilaw.org/pdf/admincode/T185/T185-10.pdf">https://cnmilaw.org/pdf/admincode/T185/T185-10.pdf</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 7/9/2025  |
| Ohio                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://cswmft.ohio.gov/Counselors/LPCC">https://cswmft.ohio.gov/Counselors/LPCC</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 7/9/2025  |
| Oklahoma                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.ok.gov/behavioralhealth/ACADEMIC_REQUIREMENTS_-_LPC.html">https://www.ok.gov/behavioralhealth/ACADEMIC_REQUIREMENTS_-_LPC.html</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 7/9/2025  |
| Oregon                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.oregon.gov/oblpc/Pages/Education.aspx">https://www.oregon.gov/oblpc/Pages/Education.aspx</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 7/9/2025  |
| Pennsylvania             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.pacodeandbulletin.gov/Display/pacode?file=/secure/pacode/data/049/chapter49/s49.2.html&amp;d=reduce">https://www.pacodeandbulletin.gov/Display/pacode?file=/secure/pacode/data/049/chapter49/s49.2.html&amp;d=reduce</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 7/9/2025  |
| Puerto Rico              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://law.justia.com/codes/puerto-rico/title-twenty/chapter-104/3247/">https://law.justia.com/codes/puerto-rico/title-twenty/chapter-104/3247/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 7/9/2025  |
| South Carolina           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.llr.sc.gov/cou/pc.aspx">https://www.llr.sc.gov/cou/pc.aspx</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 7/9/2025  |
| South Dakota             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/counselors/lpc-mh.aspx">https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/counselors/lpc-mh.aspx</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 7/9/2025  |
| Tennessee                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/pcmft-board/pcmft-board/licensure.html">https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/pcmft-board/pcmft-board/licensure.html</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 7/29/2025 |
| U.S. Virgin Islands      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://www.dlca.vi.gov/boardcertifications/steps/counselorrequirements/">https://www.dlca.vi.gov/boardcertifications/steps/counselorrequirements/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 7/9/2025  |
| Utah                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://dopl.utah.gov/cmhc/index.html">https://dopl.utah.gov/cmhc/index.html</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 7/9/2025  |
| Vermont                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://sos.vermont.gov/allied-mental-health">https://sos.vermont.gov/allied-mental-health</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 7/9/2025  |
| Virginia                 | Must take a course in marriage and family counseling which we offer as an elective.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <a href="https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Counseling/ApplicantResources/ApplicationHandbooks/">https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Counseling/ApplicantResources/ApplicationHandbooks/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 7/9/2025  |
| Washington               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://doh.wa.gov/licenses-permits-and-certificates/professions-new-renew-or-update/mental-health-counselor/licensing-information">https://doh.wa.gov/licenses-permits-and-certificates/professions-new-renew-or-update/mental-health-counselor/licensing-information</a>                                                                                                                                                             | 7/9/2025  |
| West Virginia            | Must also take Marriage and Family course, which we offer as an elective.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <a href="https://wvbec.org/becoming-a-licensed-counselor/">https://wvbec.org/becoming-a-licensed-counselor/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 7/9/2025  |
| Wisconsin                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <a href="https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/LPC/Default.aspx">https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/LPC/Default.aspx</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 7/9/2025  |

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| Wyoming                                                               |                                                                                               | <a href="https://rules.wyo.gov/Search.aspx?Agency=078&amp;Program=0001">https://rules.wyo.gov/Search.aspx?Agency=078&amp;Program=0001</a> | 7/9/2025                        |
| <u>States where OTMS program does NOT meet licensure requirements</u> |                                                                                               | <u>Notes</u>                                                                                                                              | <u>State Licensure Websites</u> |
| California                                                            | Program must be approved by California State Board and include courses specific to California | <a href="https://bbs.ca.gov/applicants/lpcc.html">https://bbs.ca.gov/applicants/lpcc.html</a>                                             | 7/9/2025                        |
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| <u>States with insufficient information about licensure</u>           |                                                                                               | <u>Notes</u>                                                                                                                              | <u>State Licensure Websites</u> |
| Palau                                                                 | No specific information about counseling licensure available                                  | <a href="https://www.palagov.pw/bureau-of-hospital-clinical-services/">https://www.palagov.pw/bureau-of-hospital-clinical-services/</a>   | 7/9/2025                        |
| American Samoa                                                        | No specific information about counseling licensure available                                  | <a href="http://dhss.as">http://dhss.as</a>                                                                                               | 7/9/2025                        |
| Federated States of Micronesia                                        | No specific information about counseling licensure available                                  | <a href="https://hsa.gov.fm/behavioral-health/">https://hsa.gov.fm/behavioral-health/</a>                                                 | 7/9/2025                        |
| Marshall Islands                                                      | No specific information about counseling licensure available                                  | <a href="https://rmihealth.org">https://rmihealth.org</a>                                                                                 | 7/9/2025                        |