

Memorandum

March 3, 2020

From: Director of Online & Continuing Education
To: Academic Department Chair
Academic Dean
Associate VPAA

Subj: PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION DISCLOSURE

Please review the Professional Licensure/Certification requirements for Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (LCPC) in the state of Montana below. At the end of the document, please indicate if NSU Counseling: Clinical Mental Health Counseling (MSEd) and School Counseling (MSEd) degree/certificate program(s) meets or do not meet these pre-education requirements.

State	Montana
Professional Licensure/Certification Title	Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor
Professional Licensure/Certification Short Title/Acronym	LCPC
PLC Agency	Montana Board of Behavioral Health
PLC Agency Address (Address)	PO Box 200513
PLC Agency Address (Address2)	301 S Park, 4th Floor
PLC Agency Address (City), (State), Zip Code	Helena MT 59620-0512
PLC Agency Contact Name	
PLC Agency Point of Contact Title	
PLC Agency Contact Phone	(406) 444-6880
PLC Agency Contact Email	dlibsdhcp@mt.gov
PLC Agency Website URL	www.bbh.mt.gov
Link to Rules/Regulations/Statutes	https://leg.mt.gov/bills/mca/title_0370/chapter_0230/part_0020/section_0020/0370-0230-0020-0020.html
Link to Agency Regulations	http://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/Portals/133/Documents/bbh/BBH-PCLC-APP_License-App-Checklist.pdf?ver=2019-04-13-141613-097
Parent Agency Name	Montana Department of Labor & Industry
Reciprocity Agreement?	Other
Is the PLC Agency a member of a Reciprocity or Regional/National Compact	Individual application
Does the PLC Agency require educational institutions be approved in	No

the state where the individual will apply for PLC?	
URL for approval process information	
Accreditation required for Degree-Granting Institutions	Yes - Regional (HLC, SACS, MSCHE, etc.) Yes - Professional/Program Accreditation (ABA, AACSB, ACBSP, CAHME, etc.)
Degree Requirements to be eligible for Professional Licensure/Certification	Master Degree
The PLC Agency requires specific type of Education Hours to be eligible for PLC	Semester Credit Hours
Total Credit Hours above/Post Education Hours Required to be eligible for PLC	60 semester credit hours
Specific Education Undergraduate Requirements	
Specific Education Graduate Requirements	A graduate degree with a minimum of 60 semester hours from an accredited college with a program of study that is primarily counseling in nature and includes 6 semester credits in an advanced counseling practicum. The program must include Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Program (CACREP) core courses. [MCA 37-23-202(1)]
Does the PLC Agency regulate Post-Licensure/Certification programs?	
Advanced Degree PLC Information	
URL to agency responsible for approving Post Education Licensure degree programs	

Does PLC Agency approval of a program for an advanced degree indicate eligibility to practice in that capacity	Yes
Agency Name and URL responsible for determining eligibility to practice	
What additional PLC Agency/State requirements must be met in order to practice in that capacity	
PLC Agency requires faculty/instructors to be licensed in the Licensing/Certification state to teach	
Does PLC Agency require Practicum/Internships/Field Work/Clinicals (PIFWC)?	Yes
PIFWC Required to be eligible for PLC	6 semester credits in an advanced counseling practicum.
PIFWC Requirement Details	6 semester credits in an advanced counseling practicum.
Does the PLC Agency or State require prior notification for PIFWC	No
Do Clinical instructors need to be licensed to supervise PIFWC?	Yes
PIFWC hours	Not specified
PIFWC setting	Not specified
PIFWC period	Not specified
PIFWC Supervisor requirements/qualifications	Not specified
Examinations Required	Yes
1. Examination Title	The national board of certified counselors; or the national academy of certified clinical mental health counselors
2. Examination Title	
3. Examination Title	
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9. Examination Title	
10. Examination Title	
PLC Agency Requires:	Fingerprints

The NSU Counseling: Clinical Mental Health Counseling (MSEd) and School Counseling (MSEd) program(s).

- Meets Montana Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (LCPC) PLC pre-education requirements.
- DOES NOT meet Montana Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (LCPC) PLC pre-education requirements.
- Additional information is needed to make determination:

Montana Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (LCPC) PLC pre-education requirements reviewed by Northern State University Academics .

Department Chair Review:

APPROVAL CHAIR 03/24/20

Dean Review:

APPROVAL DEAN 03/25/20

Associate VPAA Review:

APPROVAL GRAD/VPAA 03/27/20

Website disclosure pages updated.

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