

Academic program professional licensure disclosure webpage:

Professional Licensure Disclosures

UMBC makes every effort to ensure state licensure or certification information is current; however, state requirements may change. If you are planning to pursue professional licensure or certification, it is strongly recommended that you contact the appropriate licensing entity in that state to seek information and guidance regarding licensure or certification requirements before beginning an academic program.

The doctoral program in Clinical Psychology at UMBC is accredited by APA (American Psychological Association). APA accreditation is recognized in all 50 states as providing required education for psychology license eligibility. State Boards of Psychology determine training requirements for licensure and typically include post-doctoral training as well as examinations beyond the educational requirements so a doctoral degree from UMBC in Clinical Psychology is not sufficient to meet licensure requirements in most states. Students should confirm state licensing requirements directly with the state they are interested in licensure. ASPPB (Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards) provides a compendium called PsyBook <https://www.asppb.net/page/psybook> which summarizes requirements for each state that may be a helpful resource for students determining vocational location and licensing requirements.

Generally, the way licensure works in clinical psychology, is (1) complete an approved education program. APA accredited programs are recognized in all states although some states impose additional education and training requirements; (2) complete an APPIC (Association of Psychology and Postdoctoral Internship Centers) accredited full-time one year internship—internship is a requirement for the degree if you are in an APA accredited program such as UMBC and APPIC coordinates a nationwide internship match for students each year; (3) complete a 1 year post-doctoral fellowship with supervised clinical experience under the appropriate license or registration for the state you are located in (some states do not require a post-doc); (4) take the national (EPPP—Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology) and state examinations required; (5) complete any additional requirements for the state you are seeking licensure in (typically background checks and credential verifications but some states have some specific training requirements as well).

UMBC produces graduates who are successfully licensed in many states. No UMBC graduate has been turned down for licensure due to insufficiencies in the education and training UMBC provides but as noted above some states do have additional training and education requirements and most states have post-doctoral clinical supervision requirements as well.

Below is a state by state listing of our recent understanding of educational requirements based largely on the annual review by ASPPB to give you a general idea of how well UMBC fits with the educational requirements of each state. You should directly check the web sites of the State Licensing Board you are interested in for the most accurate and up to date information on educational and other requirements for licensure as there is no guarantee that our summary or ASPPB's is entirely accurate and up to date.

State Licensing Boards

Alabama

Board of Examiners in Psychology <http://psychology.alabama.gov/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Alabama educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Alaska

The Board of Psychologists and Psychological Associate Examiners

<https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofPsychologists.aspx>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Alaska educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Arizona

Board of Psychologist Examiners <https://psychboard.az.gov/verification-license>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Arizona educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Arkansas

Psychology Board <https://www.ark.org/abep/index.html>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Arkansas educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

California

Board of Psychology <https://www.psychology.ca.gov/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA does not meet California educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. California accepts accredited programs like UMBC's program to meet educational degree requirements; but California also requires additional specific coursework or continuing education training prior to licensure. Specifically, CA licensure requires 10 hours of training in human sexuality, 7 hours of training in child abuse assessment, 15 hours in spousal/partner abuse, detection and intervention strategies, 10 hours in aging and long-term care, and 1 semester or 1 quarter term course in alcoholism/chemical dependency detection and treatment. Students wishing to become licensed in California are advised to work with the UMBC program to tailor their electives to meet these additional training requirements. While UMBC's clinical psychology program does not require this content per se, there are many electives at UMBC and community training events that might be available for students to assist them in preparing for licensure in California.

Colorado

Department of Regulatory Agencies Division of Professions and Occupations
<https://dpo.colorado.gov/Psychology>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology-- accredited by APA-- meets Colorado educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist candidate. Psychologist candidate is a pre-exam stepping stone to full psychologist in Colorado.

Connecticut

State Department of Public Health. <https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/Psychology/Psychologist-Licensure>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Connecticut educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Delaware

Division of Professional Regulation Board of Examiners of Psychologists
<https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/psychology/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Delaware educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

District of Columbia

DC Health Board of Psychology <https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/160282>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology-- accredited by APA-- meets District of Columbia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Florida

Board of Psychology <https://floridapsychology.gov/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology-- accredited by APA-- meets Florida educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Georgia

Board of Psychology. <https://sos.ga.gov/index.php/licensing/plb/44>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Georgia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Hawaii

**Department of Commerce and Human Affairs Professional & Vocational Licensing
Division Board of Psychology** <http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/psychology/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Hawaii educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Idaho

Board of Psychologist Examiners <https://ibol.idaho.gov/IBOL/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=PSY>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology-- accredited by APA-- meets Idaho educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Illinois

Clinical Psychologists Licensing and Disciplinary Board
<https://www.idfpr.com/profs/Boards/PSY.asp>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Illinois educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Indiana

State Psychology Board <https://www.in.gov/pla/psych.htm>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Indiana educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Iowa

Board of Psychology <https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Psychology>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Iowa educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Kansas

Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board <https://ksbsrb.ks.gov/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Kansas educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Kentucky

Public Protection Cabinet Office of Occupations and Professions Board of Psychology
<http://psy.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Kentucky educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Louisiana

State Board of Examiners of Psychologists <http://www.lsbep.org/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Louisiana educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Maine

Board of Examiners of Psychologists
<https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/psychologists/index.html>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology-- accredited by APA-- meets Maine educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Maryland

Department of Health Board of Examiners of Psychologists
<https://health.maryland.gov/psych/Pages/home.aspx>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Maryland educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Massachusetts

Board of Registration of Psychologists <https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-psychologists>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Massachusetts educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Michigan

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Board of Psychology
https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334_72600_72603_27529_27552---,00.html

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA does not meet Michigan educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. Michigan accepts accredited programs like UMBC's program to meet educational degree requirements; but Michigan also requires additional specific coursework or continuing education training prior to licensure. Specifically, Michigan requires additional training in identifying victims of human trafficking before being approved for licensure. See Michigan admin code R.338-2525 for several possibilities that meet this requirement ranging from reading an article to taking a continuing education workshop <https://casetext.com/regulation/michigan-administrative-code/departments/licensing-and-regulatory-affairs/bureau-of-professional-licensing/board-of-psychology/board-of-psychology-general-rules/part-1-general-provisions/section-r-3382525-training-standards-for-identifying-victims-of-human-trafficking-requirements>.

Minnesota

Board of Psychology <https://mn.gov/boards/psychology/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA-- meets Minnesota educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Mississippi

Board of Psychology <https://www.psychologyboard.ms.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology-- accredited by APA-- meets Mississippi educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Missouri

Division of Professional Registration Committee of Psychologists

<https://pr.mo.gov/psychologists.asp>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology--- accredited by APA-- meets Missouri educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Montana

Department of Labor & Industry Board of Psychology <http://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/psy>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology-accredited accredited by APA-- meets Montana educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Nebraska

Department of Health & Human Services Psychology

<http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Psychology.aspx>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Nebraska educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Nevada

Board of Psychological Examiners <http://psyexam.nv.gov/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Nevada educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

New Hampshire

Board of Psychologists <https://www.oplc.nh.gov/psychologists/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets New Hampshire educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

New Jersey

New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs State Board of Psychological Affairs

<https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/psy/Pages/default.aspx>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets New Jersey educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

New Mexico

Psychologist Examiners http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Psychologist_Examiners.aspx

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets New Mexico educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

New York

Office of the Professions: Psychology <http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/psych/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA does not meet New York educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. New York's required coursework includes at least three graduate semester hours or five graduate quarter hours in each of the following seven substantive content areas: biological basis of behavior; cognitive-affective basis of behavior; social basis of behavior; individual differences; psychometrics; history and systems of psychology; and research design, methodology, and statistics. UMBC's program is aligned with the most up-to-date standards of APA accreditation which does not require coverage of these seven areas in separate courses. UMBC does require three semester hours in individual differences (psychopathology), research design, methodology and statistics. New York does not specify that they accept APA accreditation without additional course review. Therefore, students intending to apply for licensure in New York are advised to

work closely with UMBC's Director of Clinical Training to choose electives available at UMBC that will meet New York's requirements.

North Carolina

Psychology Board <http://www.ncpsychologyboard.org/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets North Carolina educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

North Dakota

State Board of Psychology Examiners <http://www.ndsbpe.org/index.html>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA does not meet North Dakota educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. North Dakota accepts accredited programs like UMBC's program to meet educational degree requirements; but North Dakota specifies that telepsych may not replace face to face supervision requirements. During the COVID pandemic, UMBC is utilizing telepsych to replace many previously in person client and supervision sessions. It is advised that students interested in North Dakota check directly with the North Dakota licensing authority regarding COVID exceptions for telepsych. UMBC plans to return to face to face services and supervision when it is safe to do so and expects to meet North Dakota requirements at that time even if North Dakota does not make COVID adjustments to its expectations.

Ohio

Board of Psychology <https://psychology.ohio.gov/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Ohio educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Oklahoma

State Board of Examiners of Psychologists <https://www.ok.gov/psychology/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Oklahoma educational requirements to apply for licensure as a Practice Under Supervision Psychologist (Institutional or Private Practice). Completion of post-doctoral supervision is required to apply for the psychologist license.

Oregon

Board of Psychology. <https://www.oregon.gov/psychology/pages/index.aspx>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Oregon educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Pacific Territories

UMBC has not determined whether completion of the doctoral program in clinical psychology – accredited by APA--meets educational requirements to apply for registration or licensure as psychologist in Pacific Territories.

Pennsylvania

State Board of Psychology

<https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Psychology/Pages/default.aspx>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Pennsylvania educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Puerto Rico

UMBC has not determined whether completion of the doctoral program in clinical psychology – accredited by APA--meets educational requirements to apply for registration or licensure as psychologist in Puerto Rico.

Rhode Island

Department of Health: Psychology <https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=241>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Rhode Island educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

South Carolina

Labor Licensing Regulation Board of Examiners in Psychology <https://llr.sc.gov/psych/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets South Carolina educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

South Dakota

Board of Examiners of Psychologists <https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/psych/psych.aspx>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets South Dakota educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Tennessee

Department of Health: Board of Examiners of Psychology <https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/psychology-board.html>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Tennessee educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Texas

Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists <https://www.tsbep.texas.gov/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology-accredited accredited by APA meets Texas educational requirements to apply for licensure as a provisional psychologist. Provisional Psychologist is a pre-requisite to full psychologist in Texas.

Utah

**Department of Commerce Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing:
Psychology** <https://dopl.utah.gov/psych/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Utah educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

U.S. Virgin Islands

Board of Psychology Examiners <http://usvippsychologyboard.com/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets U.S. Virgin Islands educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Vermont

Board of Psychological Examiners
https://governor.vermont.gov/boards_and_commissions/psychological_examiners

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Vermont educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Virginia

Department of Health Professions Board of Psychology
<https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Psychology/>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Virginia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Washington

Examining Board of Psychology

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/Psychologist/BoardInformation>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Washington educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

West Virginia

Board of Examiners of Psychologists <https://psychbd.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets West Virginia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Wisconsin

Department of Safety and Professional Services: Psychologist

<https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/Psychologist/Default.aspx>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Wisconsin educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Wyoming

Wyoming Mental Health Professions Licensing Board <https://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/home>

Completion of UMBC's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA-- meets Wyoming educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.