

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 Mental Health Counselor (MHC) in the state of New York 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	New York
Professional Licensure/Certification Title	Mental Health Counselor
Professional Licensure/Certification Short Title/Acronym	MHC
PLC Agency	NYSED Office of the Professions
PLC Agency Address (Address)	Bureau of Comparative Education
PLC Agency Address (Address2)	89 Washington Avenue
PLC Agency Address (City), (State), Zip Code	Albany NY 12234-1000
PLC Agency Contact Name	
PLC Agency Point of Contact Title	
PLC Agency Contact Phone	(518) 474-3817
PLC Agency Contact Email	comped@nysed.gov
PLC Agency Website URL	http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/mhp/
Link to Rules/Regulations/Statutes	http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/mhp/mhplaw.htm
Link to Agency Regulations	http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/mhp/mhclie.htm
Parent Agency Name	New York State Education Department
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 the state where the individual will apply for PLC?	No
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 hours
Specific Education Undergraduate Requirements	
Specific Education Graduate Requirements	The Department has determined that programs accredited by the following organizations in the specific professions are equivalent to a New York State-registered program: Masters or higher degree in mental health counseling of 60 semester hours (or more) accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Education Programs (CACREP) under its 2009 Standards.
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	include a supervised internship or supervised practicum in mental health counseling of at least one-year, defined as at least 600 clock hours for purposes of this section.
PIFWC Requirement Details	include a supervised internship or supervised practicum in mental health counseling of at least one-year, defined as at least 600 clock hours for purposes of this section.
Does the PLC Agency or State require prior notification for PIFWC	No
Do Clinical instructors need to be licensed to supervise PIFWC?	
PIFWC hours	600 clock hours
PIFWC setting	Not specified
PIFWC period	Not specified
PIFWC Supervisor requirements/qualifications	Not specified
Examinations Required	Yes
1. Examination Title	National Clinical Mental Health Counselors Examination (NCMHCE)
2. Examination Title	
3. Examination Title	
4. Examination Title	
5. Examination Title	
6. Examination Title	
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9. Examination Title	
10. Examination Title	
PLC Agency Requires:	

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



Meets New York Mental Health Counselor (MHC) PLC pre-education requirements.

DOES NOT meet New York Mental Health Counselor (MHC) PLC pre-education requirements.

Additional information is needed to make determination:

New York Mental Health Counselor (MHC) 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 03/26/20

Website disclosure pages updated.

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