

Illinois Institute of Technology

M.S. in Rehabilitation and Mental Health Counseling

State Licensing Information Disclosure to Consumers

For more information on licensing requirements, including contact information for every state and territory licensing board, please see the Licensure & Certification – State Professional Counselor Licensure Boards page on the ACA webpage [[link](#)]. It should be noted that different states have different names/categories for professional counselor designation. All states require the completion of supervised practicum and internship during a master’s degree program (although the number of required hours may vary). These aspects are also required for the master’s degree in rehabilitation and mental health counseling at Illinois Institute of Technology. In addition to education requirements for the master’s degree, however, most jurisdictions require post-master’s professional experience. These requirements are beyond the curricular requirements described below. Where indicated, the RMHC program at IIT meets the criteria for the entrance-level professional category within the counseling profession.

Below, an asterisk (*) indicates that earning a master’s degree from a program accredited by the Counsel on the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Professions (CACREP) satisfies educational requirements for licensure. IIT is currently accredited by CACREP.

State	IIT Program Satisfies Curricular Requirements?			State Professional Association or License Authority and Notes
	Yes	No	Unable to Determine	
1. Alabama	X*			http://abec.alabama.gov/
2. Alaska	X*			https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/ProfessionalCounselors.aspx
3. Arizona	X*			https://azbbhe.us/
4. Arkansas	X*			https://abec.statesolutions.us/
5. California		X		https://www.bbs.ca.gov/ Although a master’s degree from an accredited program like IIT is needed, additional coursework or experience, potentially beyond what is offered at IIT in the following areas, are also required: California Law and Ethics (12 hours); California Cultures and the Social and Psychological Implications of Socioeconomic Position (15 hours); Child Abuse Assessment and Reporting in California (7 hours); 280 hours of face-to-face counseling experience in practicum/internship; human sexuality (10 contact hours); spousal/partner abuse, detection and intervention strategies (15 contact hours); aging and long-term care (10 contact hours); coursework or applied experience in suicide assessment and intervention (6 contact hours).
6. Colorado	X*			https://dpo.colorado.gov/ProfessionalCounselor
7. Connecticut	X*			https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/Professional-Counselor/Professional-Counselor-Licensing
8. Delaware	X*			https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/profcounselors/ Tiered system requiring post-master’s supervision
9. District of Columbia	X*			https://dchealth.dc.gov/service/professional-counseling-licensing NOTE: Although a master’s degree from an accredited program like IIT is needed, additional coursework or experience, potentially beyond what is offered at IIT in the following areas, may be required: Marriage and Family Therapy
10. Florida	X*			https://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/

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11. Georgia	X*			https://sos.ga.gov/index.php/licensing/plb/43
12. Hawaii	X*			http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/mental/
13. Idaho		X		https://ibol.idaho.gov/IBOL/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=COU NOTE: Although a master's degree from an accredited program like IIT is needed, requires that supervised hours be completed in a clinical counseling setting only; psychosocial rehabilitation not accepted. Also requires one thousand (1,000) hours of supervised experience in counseling acceptable to the board (With planning this requirement may be able to be met within the program).
14. Illinois	X*			https://www.idfpr.com/profs/ProfCounselor.asp
15. Indiana		X		https://www.in.gov/pla/social.htm Requires completion of not less than one (1) supervised practicum, internship, or field experience in a counseling setting, which must include a minimum of one thousand (1,000) clock hours consisting of one (1) practicum of one hundred (100) hours, one (1) internship of six hundred (600) hours, and one (1) advanced internship of three hundred (300) hours with at least one hundred (100) hours of face to face supervision. With planning, this requirement can be met within the program.
16. Iowa	X*			https://ibpllicense.iowa.gov/PublicPortal/Iowa/IBPL/common/index.jsp
17. Kansas		X		https://ksbsrb.ks.gov/professions/professional-counselors NOTE: Requires not less than 350 direct client hours during clinical practicum/internship experiences. IIT's RMHC requires 300. With planning, this requirement can be met within the program.
18. Kentucky	X*			http://lpc.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx
19. Louisiana	X*			https://www.lpcboard.org/application
20. Maine	X*			https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/
21. Maryland		X		https://health.maryland.gov/bopc/Pages/licenseinfo.aspx NOTE: Although a master's degree from an accredited program like IIT is needed, additional coursework or experience, potentially beyond what is offered at IIT in the following areas, may be required: Marriage and Family Therapy (3 credit hours)
22. Massachusetts	X*			https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-allied-mental-health-and-human-services-professions
23. Michigan	X*			https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334_72600_72603_27529_27536---,00.html
24. Minnesota	X*			https://mn.gov/boards/behavioral-health/lpc-and-lpcc/
25. Mississippi	X*			https://www.lpc.ms.gov/wplpc/ NOTE: Although a master's degree from an accredited program like IIT is needed, additional coursework or experience may be required: Marriage and Family Therapy.
26. Missouri	X*			https://pr.mo.gov/counselors.asp
27. Montana	X*			http://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/bbh#1?1
28. Nebraska	X*			http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Mental-Health-and-Social-Work-Practice.aspx
29. Nevada	X*			http://marriage.nv.gov/
30. New Hampshire	X*			https://www.oplc.nh.gov/mental-health/
31. New Jersey	X*			https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/pc/Pages/default.aspx
32. New Mexico	X*			http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Counseling_and_Therapy_Practice.aspx
33. New York	X*			http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/mhp/#
34. North Carolina	X*			https://www.ncblpc.org/
35. North Dakota	X*			http://www.ndbce.org/
36. Ohio	X*			https://cswmft.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/cswmft/preparing-for-a-license/counselors
37. Oklahoma	X*			https://www.ok.gov/behavioralhealth/

38. Oregon	X*			https://www.oregon.gov/oblpc/Pages/index.aspx
39. Pennsylvania	X*			https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/SocialWorkersMarriageandFamilyTherapistsandProfessionalCounselors/Pages/default.aspx
40. Rhode Island	X*			https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=228
41. South Carolina	X*			https://lir.sc.gov/cou/
42. South Dakota	X			https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/counselors/counselors.aspx
43. Tennessee	X*			https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/pcmf-board.html
44. Texas	X			https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/counselor/
45. Utah	X*			https://dopl.utah.gov/
46. Vermont	X*			https://sos.vermont.gov/ NOTE: Although a master's degree from a CACREP accredited program like IIT is needed, Vermont's licensing system requires supervised post-master's experience under the designation of "non-licensed non-certified psychotherapist." Graduates of IIT's RMHC program qualify for this entry level designation.
47. Virginia		X		http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/counseling/ Although a master's degree from a CACREP accredited program like IIT is needed, additional coursework is required in the following area: Marriage and Family Therapy.
48. Washington	X*			https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/CertifiedCounselor
49. West Virginia		X		http://www.wvbec.org/ Although a master's degree from a CACREP accredited program like IIT is needed, additional coursework is required in the following area: Marriage and Family Therapy.
50. Wisconsin	X*			https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/BoardsCouncils/MPSW/Default.aspx
51. Wyoming	X*			https://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/