



**COVENANT SEMINARY**

# MASTER OF ARTS IN COUNSELING STATE LICENSURE COMPARISON

The purpose of this document is to inform current and prospective students of the relevant requirements for state licensure across the United States as compared to Covenant Seminary's Master of Arts in Counseling program.

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**Please note:** The following is subject to change each time any state updates its rules and regulations. This document is updated annually by the CTS Counseling Internship Coordinator and should be used as a guide only when speaking with state boards.

**Terminology Key:**

CTS	Covenant Theological Seminary
LPC	Licensed Professional Counselor
MAC	Master of Arts in Counseling
CCE	Center for Credential and Education
Total/Direct	<p>“Total” refers to total supervised counseling hours required to be considered for licensure, this can include self-study, supervision meetings, practicum and internship classes, and site exposure.</p> <p>“Direct” refers to face-to-face (either in-person or via telehealth) therapeutic engagement with clients.</p>

**ALABAMA** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<http://abec.alabama.gov/>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires a 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field.
- 2) Accreditation: Beginning Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 master's degree must be from CACREP accredited school.
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS meets all 10 content areas
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**ALASKA** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

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

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC meets all 10 core content areas
- 5) Practicum: hours or requirements not specified
- 6) Internship: hours or requirements not specified

**ARIZONA** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<https://www.azbbhe.us/pdfs/Applications/LPC%20App.2023.pdf>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if CACREP, CORE, or a board approved curriculum pursuant,
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC meets all 10 content areas
- 5) Practicum: requires 700 hours total, 240 direct
- 6) Internship: No separate internship

**ARKANSAS** – Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit with additional credits

<https://abec.statesolutions.us/>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education and approved by CCE
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degrees with additional course work
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers 11 of the 12 core content areas. Would need additional class in Technology Assisted Counseling (1 credit).  
\*Note: Must have a "B-" grade or above for class to count
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**CALIFORNIA** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit with additional credits

<http://calpcc.org/licensure-requirements>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires a 60-credit masters where all courses must be counseling courses
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree with additional course work
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers 11 of the 13 core content areas listed. Would need additional classes in Psychopharmacology and Advanced Counseling and Psychotherapeutic Theories and Techniques  
\*Note: "15 units of advanced graduate coursework is required beyond the 13 core areas, but it may be remediated while registered as an intern." Applicants "are allowed to take 3 of the 13 core areas post-degree, if necessary."
- 5) Practicum: requires 280 direct hours
- 6) Internship: no separate Internship

**COLORADO** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit upon CCE approval

[https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Professional\\_Counselor](https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Professional_Counselor)

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education and approved by the Center for Credential and Education (CCE)
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all core content areas listed.  
\*Note: no more than 6 semester hours can be completed post degree if needed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**CONNECTICUT** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

[Professional Counselor Associate \(ct.gov\)](http://Professional_Counselor_Associate.ct.gov)

- 1) Degree: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: degree must be from a CACREP program
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 11 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: 600 hours total, 240 direct

**DC** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/160252>

- 1) Degree Hours: Two licenses in DC each with own educational requirements:  
LGCP license, requires 48-hour master's degree in counseling or related field  
LCP license, requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: prefers CACREP accredited or aligned, accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree  
\*Note: reciprocity with Maryland is probable
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all core content areas listed.
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**DELAWARE** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/profcounselors/>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 8 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum/Internship: No hours specified.

**FLORIDA** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<http://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/licensing/licensed-mental-health-counselor/>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree from CACREP accredited programs only starting July 1, 2025
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 12 core content areas listed.  
\*Note: additional 8-hr course on laws and rules, 3-hour course on HIV and AIDS, 2-hour course in domestic violence all required within 6 months of licensure.
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**GEORGIA** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<https://sos.ga.gov/how-to-guide/how-guide-professional-counselor>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education, must be CACREP or CORE aligned
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree  
\*Note: this state is a part of the National Counseling Compact
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: 600 hours total, 240 direct

**HAWAII** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

[https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/files/2021/04/Require-Instruct-App-for-Mental-Health-Counselor\\_04.21R.pdf](https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/files/2021/04/Require-Instruct-App-for-Mental-Health-Counselor_04.21R.pdf)

- 1) Degree hours: requires 48-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 9 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum/Internship: requires minimum 300 direct hours, no total specified

**IDAHO** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<https://apps.dopl.idaho.gov/DOPLPortal/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=COU>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education, must be CACREP accredited or CORE aligned
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree  
\* Note two levels of licensure:
  - a) LPC - requires 1000 total/400 direct hours under supervision: "Supervised experience inpracticum taken at the graduate level may be utilized."
  - b) LCPC (Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor) - requires an additional 2,000 direct hours under supervision
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 8 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: 600 hours total, 240 direct

**ILLINOIS** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/profcounselor.html>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 13 core content areas listed  
\*Note: Does not allow for a completely on-line degree and none of the content areas may be taken as an independent study.
- 5) Practicum/Internship: no hours specified

**INDIANA** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit with additional practicum/internship hours

[https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/behavioral-health-and-human-services/behavioral-health-and-human-services-licensing-information/#Mental\\_Health\\_Counselor\\_Associate\\_LMHCA\\_Master\\_Level](https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/behavioral-health-and-human-services/behavioral-health-and-human-services-licensing-information/#Mental_Health_Counselor_Associate_LMHCA_Master_Level)

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree with additional hours met during practicum/internship
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC currently covers all 11 core areas listed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**IOWA** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<http://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Behavioral-Science/Licensure>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education; if not-CACREP accredited, needs to an education review from the Center for Credential and Education (CCE) to determine if eligible
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 12 core content areas listed.
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**KANSAS** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

[https://www.ksrevisor.org/statutes/chapters/ch65/065\\_058\\_0004a.html](https://www.ksrevisor.org/statutes/chapters/ch65/065_058_0004a.html)

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 10 core content areas listed  
\*Note: none of the core content areas can be taken as an independent study
- 5) Practicum/Internship: requires 280 direct hours; no total hours specified

**KENTUCKY** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/kar/titles/201/036/070/>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: requires program be CACREP accredited
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree  
\*Note: this state is part of the Counseling Compact
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 9 core content areas required
- 5) Practicum: 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: 600 hours total, 240 direct

**LOUISIANA** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<http://www.lpcboard.org/>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts a degree from "a CACREP accredited program or its equivalent as determined by the board."
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 8 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**MAINE** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit for LPC

Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit for LCPC with additional practicum/internship hours

<https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/board-of-counseling-professionals-licensure/licensing/professional-counselor-clinical-professional-counselor-marriage-family-counselor-pastoral-counselor-registered-counselor#2>

- 1) Degree hours: There are two licenses in Maine, each with their own requirements:
  - a) License Professional Counselor (LPC): requires 48-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
  - b) Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (LCPC): accepts 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: prefers CACREP accredited, accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education,
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree  
\*Note: this state is part of the Counseling Compact
- 4) Classes:

- a) LPC: CTS MAC degree covers all 10 core content areas listed.
- b) LCPC: CTS MAC degree covers all 10 core content areas listed and offers classes in 5 of the 9 additional areas (requires 2)
- 5) Practicum/Internship:
  - a) LPC: Practicum (no hours specified) and Internship (600 hours total); OR documentation of 700 total hours with 280 client hours
  - b) LCPC: Practicum (no hours specified) and Internship (900 total hours, 360 direct hours); OR documentation of 1,000 total hours with 400 client hours

**MARYLAND** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit with additional credits

<https://health.maryland.gov/bopc/Pages/profcounselor.aspx>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree with additional course work  
\*Note this state is part of the Counseling Compact
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers 13 of 14 required core content areas. Requires additional Theories class to fulfill "Psychotherapy and Treatment of Mental and Emotional Disorders"
- 5) Practicum/Internship: requires 125 direct hours

**MASSACHUSETTS** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<https://www.mass.gov/lists/allied-mental-health-applications-and-forms#application-checklists->

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC offers all 10 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct  
\*Note: "A Clinical Field Experience Site does not include individual private practice or group private practice." For more information see website linked above.

**MICHIGAN** - Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<https://www.michigan.gov/lara/bureau-list/bpl/health/hp-lic-health-prof/counseling>

- 1) Degree Hours: Until June 30, 2023: requires 48- hour master's degree in counseling or related field.  
On/after July 1, 2023: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education; if not-CACREP accredited needs to an education review from the CCE to determine if eligible.
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 10 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct



**MINNESOTA** – Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit for the LPC license  
Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit for the LPCC license with additional credits

<https://mn.gov/boards/behavioral-health/applicants/apply/apply-for-lpc.jsp>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 48-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree with additional course work
- 4) Classes:
  - a) LPC: CTS MAC offers all 10 core content areas listed
  - b) LPCC (Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors): requires the 10 content areas of the LPC plus 6 content areas called the "clinical counseling subjects." These subject areas require a certain number of credits. Courses from the Core Content may be counted towards the "clinical counseling subjects" if the courses "included clinical content." Student would likely need 3-6 more credits for the LPCC..
- 5) Practicum/Internship: requires 700 total hours, no direct hours specified

**MISSISSIPPI** – Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<https://www.lpc.ms.gov/license/p-lpc/>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education IF programs "be either CACREP degree programs or degree programs with the word counseling in its title and meet the structure of CACREP as it specifically pertains to the twelve (12) courses specified".
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree  
\*Note: this state is part of the Counseling Compact
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 12 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum/Internship: requires "supervised, planned, practical, advanced experience obtained in a clinical setting". No hours specified.

**MISSOURI** – Conclusion: CTS MAC is 100% compatible with this state

<http://pr.mo.gov/counselors.asp>

**MONTANA** – Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

<https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/behavioral-health/license-information/licensed-clinical-professional-counselor-candidate>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degrees from a CACREP accredited or CACREP aligned program only
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree  
\*Note: 1) can only have 12 credit hours post degree, 2) can only have 20 hours transferred from another institution to institution from which graduated; 3) "Credits earned during the degree program that were obtained more than six years prior to the date of graduation do not count toward the education requirements."
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 12 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: 600 hours total, 240 direct

**NEBRASKA** – Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit with additional credits

<https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Documents/MHPapp.pdf>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree from a CACREP, COAMFETE, CSWE, and CORE accredited institution or submit proof of equivalent education requirements.
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degrees
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 12 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum/Internship: Requires 300 hours total, 150 direct

**NEVADA** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

[https://marriage.nv.gov/Application/CPC\\_Qualifications/](https://marriage.nv.gov/Application/CPC_Qualifications/)

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree approved by Council for Accreditation of Counseling or CACREP
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 12 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**NEW HAMPSHIRE** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

[https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rules/state\\_agencies/mhp300.html](https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rules/state_agencies/mhp300.html)

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if CACREP accredited or CACREP equivalent
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all core content areas
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**NEW JERSEY** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/regulations/Chapter-34-Subchapters-10-31-Professional-Counselors.pdf>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if CACREP accredited or approved by committee.
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 9 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum/Internship: 3 calendar years of supervised professional experience, one calendar year happening prior to completion of master's degree. No hours specified.

**NEW MEXICO** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://nmonesource.com/nmos/nmsa/en/item/4397/index.do#!fragment/zoupio-Toc139033157/BQCwhgzIBcwMYgK4DsDWszIQewE4BUBTADwBdoAvbRABwEtsBaAfX2zgEYBmATgAYuXDgFYA7AEoANMmylCEAlqJCuAJ7QA5BskRCYXAIUr1WnXoMgAynlIAhdQCUAogBknANQCCAQDCTyVlwACNoUnZxcSA>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 48-hour graduate counseling or related field degree
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education

- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 10 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum/Internship: required but no hours specified

**NEW YORK** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://www.op.nysed.gov/professions/mental-health-counselors/license-requirements>

- 6) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 7) Accreditation: prefers degree if CACREP accredited, accepts degrees from comparable accrediting programs
- 8) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 9) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 12 core content areas listed
- 10) Practicum/ Internship: requires minimum 600 hours total

**NORTH CAROLINA** – Conclusion: CTS MAC appears to be a good fit

[https://www.ncblcmhc.org/assets/LawsAndCodes/LPC\\_Practice\\_Act\(NCGSArticle24\).pdf](https://www.ncblcmhc.org/assets/LawsAndCodes/LPC_Practice_Act(NCGSArticle24).pdf)

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: requires a CACREP-accredited degree for licensure
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 9 core content areas
- 5) Practicum: 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: 600 hours total, 240 direct

**NORTH DAKOTA** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<http://www.ndbce.org/>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 10 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, no direct specified
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, no direct specified

**OHIO** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit with additional credits

<https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-administrative-code/rule-4757-13-01>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field and must be approved by state board
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if CACREP accredited
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree with additional coursework
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 11 core content areas listed; would need an additional 17 credit hours to meet the additional requirement.  
 \*Note: "In addition, either as a part of the applicant's master degree or after the award of the degree, a minimum twenty semester hours, of instruction acceptable to the board and represented by at least one graduate course in each of the following areas: 1) Clinical psychopathology, personality, and abnormal behavior; 2) Evaluation of mental and emotional status; 3) Diagnosis of mental and

- emotional disorders; 4) Methods of intervention and prevention of mental and emotional disorders; 5) Treatment of mental and emotional disorders.”
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
  - 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**OKLAHOMA** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

[https://www.ok.gov/behavioralhealth/ACADEMIC\\_REQUIREMENTS\\_-\\_LPC.html](https://www.ok.gov/behavioralhealth/ACADEMIC_REQUIREMENTS_-_LPC.html)

- 1) Degree Hours: 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC meets all 7 core content areas and offers 10 of the 17 course options for elective courses (require 5).
- 5) Practicum/ Internship: requires 300 hours total; direct not specified.

**OREGON** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://www.oregon.gov/obl/pct/Pages/Education.aspx>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires minimum 60- hour master's degree granted on or after October 1, 2014
- 2) Accreditation: prefers degree if CACREP or CORE accreditation, accepts degrees if program accredited by a regionally accrediting agency, or foreign program that has been evaluated by credentialing body recognized by the board.
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC degree covers 9 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: 600 hours total, 240 direct

**PENNSYLVANIA** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://www.pacodeandbulletin.gov/Display/pacode?file=/secure/pacode/data/049/chapter49/chap49toc.html&d=reduce>

- 1) Degree Hours: 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 9 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, no direct specified
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, no direct specified

**RHODE ISLAND** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit with additional credits

<https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=228>; <https://rules.sos.ri.gov/regulations/part/216-40-05-11>

- 1) Degree Hours: 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: prefer CACREP accredited or aligned, accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 8 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**SOUTH CAROLINA** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://llr.sc.gov/cou/pc.aspx>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires a 48-hour graduate degree or higher in counseling or in a related field
- 2) Accreditation: prefers degree if from a CACREP accredited or aligned program, accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 10 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, no direct specified
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, no direct specified

**SOUTH DAKOTA** – Conclusion (LPC License): CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit  
Conclusion (LP-MH License): CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit with additional credits

<https://sdlegislature.gov/Rules/Administrative/20:68>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires a 48-hour graduate degree or higher in counseling or in a related field
- 2) Accreditation: prefers degree if from a CACREP accredited or aligned program, accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes:
  - a) LPC: CTS MAC covers all 12 core content areas listed
  - b) Licensed Professional Counselor in Mental Health (LPC-MH): CTS MAC offers 14 of the 17 courses required; would need 3 additional courses covering psychodiagnoses and psychopharmacological medications.
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**TENNESSEE** - Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/pcmft-board.html>

- 1) Degree Hours: 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degrees from a CACREP accredited program or "comparable accrediting body"
- 3) Licensure: two types of licenses
  - a) LPC (Licensed Professional Counselor): CTS MAC meets all requirements
  - b) LPC/MHSP (Professional Counselor with Mental Health Services Provider designation): requires additional 9 graduate semester hours of coursework specifically related to diagnosis, treatment, appraisal, and assessment of mental disorders

\*Note: this state is part of the Counseling Compact
- 4) Classes: see above
- 5) Practicum/Internship: require a total of 500 supervised hours with minimum of 300 obtained in a community or clinical mental health setting. No direct hours specified.  

\*Note: The only sites not considered clinical are churches without LPCs and/or without counseling separated from pastoral counseling.

**TEXAS** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit with additional credits

<https://www.bhec.texas.gov/>

- 1) Degree Hours: 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: would need 3 additional counseling credits for a course covering psychopharmacological medications
- 5) Practicum: requires 300 hours total, 100 direct
- 6) Internship: No separate internship specified

**UTAH** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://adminrules.utah.gov/public/rule/R156-60c/Current%20Rules?searchText=undefined>

- 1) Degree Hours: 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: prefers CACREP accredited or aligned, accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 10 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: 600 hours total, 240 direct

**VERMONT** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://sos.vermont.gov/allied-mental-health/apply-renew/>

- 1) Degree Hours: 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: prefers CACREP accredited or aligned, accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 7 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum/Internship: Requires 700 hours total. No direct specified.

**VIRGINIA** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/media/dhpweb/docs/counseling/leg/LPC.pdf>

- 1) Degree Hours: 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if CACREP or CORE accredited
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 12 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**WASHINGTON** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://doh.wa.gov/licenses-permits-and-certificates/professions-new-renew-or-update/mental-health-counselor/licensing-information>

- 1) Degree Hours: requires master's degree in Mental Health Counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: prefers CACREP accredited, accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree  
\*Note: graduates from CACREP accredited program will be granted credit for 50 hours of postgraduate supervision and 500 hours towards postgraduate experience.
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers 12 of the 17 content areas (need 7).
- 5) Practicum/Internship: direct hours required but not specified.

**WEST VIRGINIA** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

[https://wvbec.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/LPC-Endorsement-Application\\_2023.pdf](https://wvbec.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/LPC-Endorsement-Application_2023.pdf)

- 1) Degree Hours: 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC offers all 14 main content areas listed
- 5) Practicum/Internship: direct hours required but not specified.

**WISCONSIN** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

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

- 1) Degree Hours: 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 17 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct

**WYOMING** – Conclusion: CTS MAC degree appears to be a good fit

<https://rules.wyo.gov/Search.aspx?Agency=078&Program=0001>

- 1) Degree Hours: 60-hour master's degree in counseling or related field
- 2) Accreditation: prefers CACREP accredited or aligned, accepts degree if from a regionally accredited institution of higher education,
- 3) Licensure: can get licensed with CTS degree
- 4) Classes: CTS MAC covers all 9 core content areas listed
- 5) Practicum: requires 100 hours total, 40 direct
- 6) Internship: requires 600 hours total, 240 direct