

Licensure Disclosures of the United States of America and US Territories
Fall 2023

State	BSW Level Certification or Licensure Requirements	Notes
Alabama	<p>To be eligible to sit for the examination for licensure the applicant must provide evidence satisfactory to the Board that the applicant possesses the educational qualifications and qualifying experience outlined in the Code of Ala. 1975, §34-30-22 (1991).</p> <p>The applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be at least nineteen years old; • subscribe to the professional code of ethics approved and adopted by the Board; <p>Meet the following additional requirements.</p> <p>Bachelor Social Worker: have a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university including completion of a social work program approved or accredited or in candidacy by the Council on Social Work</p> <p>Please review Alabama’s State Board of Social Work Examiners website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://socialwork.alabama.gov/</p> <p>Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners P.O. Box 301620 Montgomery, AL 36130-1620 Phone: (334) 242-5860</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Alabama and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
Alaska	<p>The board shall issue a license authorizing use of the title, “baccalaureate social worker” to a person who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • satisfies the requirements of (a)(3) – (5) and (7) of this section; • has received a bachelor’s degree in social work from a college or university approved by the board; and 	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Alaska and is nationally</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has satisfactorily completed the examination given by the board for baccalaureate social worker licensing. <p>Please review Alaska’s Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/SocialWorkExaminers.aspx</p> <p>Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development Division of Corporations, Business & Professional Licensing 550 W 7th AVE, STE 1500 Anchorage, AK 99501-3567 Phone: (907) 465-2551 Contact: SocialWorkExaminers@Alaska.Gov</p>	<p>accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
<p>Arizona</p>	<p>Licensed baccalaureate social worker (LBSW):</p> <p>A person who wishes to be licensed by the board to engage in the practice of social work as a licensed baccalaureate social worker shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Furnish documentation as prescribed by the board by rule that the person has earned a baccalaureate degree in social work from a regionally accredited college or university in a program accredited by the council on social work education or a degree from a foreign school based on a program of study that the board determines is substantially • Pass an examination approved by the board. <p>A licensed baccalaureate social worker shall only engage in clinical practice under direct supervision as prescribed by the board.</p> <p>Please review Arizona’s Board of Behavioral Health Examiners website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.azbbhe.us/node/828</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Arizona and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

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<p>Arkansas</p>	<p>The Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board shall issue a Licensed Social Worker license to an applicant who qualifies as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has a baccalaureate degree in a social work program from a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education or the Canadian Association for Social Work Education, or has received before June 17, 1986, a baccalaureate degree in a social work program from an accredited educational institution; • Has passed an examination approved by the board for this purpose and level of practice; • Has applied for a criminal background check and meets the qualifications for issuance of a license under § 17-103-307; • Has good moral character; • Is physically and mentally competent to provide social work services with reasonable skill and safety; • Is not affected by a mental or physical disease or condition that would impair the applicant’s competency to provide social work services; • Has not pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to or been found guilty of a felony, any crime involving moral turpitude, or criminal offense involving violence, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, breach of client trust, or abuse of the vulnerable; • Does not use drugs or alcohol to an extent that the use affects the applicant’s professional competency; and • Has not engaged in fraud or deceit in making the application. <p>Please review Arkansas’ Social Work Licensing Board website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.arkansas.gov/swlb/ Social Work Licensing Board</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Arkansas and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

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California	Does Not Meet	N/A
Colorado	Does Not Meet	N/A
Connecticut	Does Not Meet	N/A
Delaware	<p>Licensure Requirements for All Applicants Applications are processed in DELPROS (Delaware Professional Regulation Online Services). In addition to submitting the application and fee in DELPROS, you must submit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A State of Delaware and Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal background check (CBC). Follow the instructions on the Criminal History Record Check Authorization form to arrange to be fingerprinted. Submit both the form and payment to the State Bureau of Identification (SBI). Do not send these forms to the Board office. • Allow at least four weeks for the SBI to send criminal history records to the Board office. • A new criminal background check is required even if the person recently had a criminal background check done for some other reason. • A completed and signed Child Protection Registry Consent Form, following the instructions on the form. • State/Jurisdiction Licensure Verification(s) sent directly to the Board office from each state or jurisdiction in which you currently hold or have ever held a license. 	Johnson C. Smith University's Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Delaware and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

	<p>In addition to submitting the application, fee, and supporting documentation required in the previous section in DELPROS, you must also submit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. Educated : An official transcript of your completed degree sent directly to the Board office from your college or university. The college or university must be accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) (www.cswe.org/Accreditation). • For the Bachelors Social Work, the transcript must clearly show a baccalaureate degree in social work. • An official ASWB exam score report from ASWB if you have already passed the exam. To request the score report, see Score Transfer on the ASWB web site. • A baccalaureate social work student may take the examination up to 45 days prior to graduation. <p>Please review Delaware’s Division of Professional Regulation website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/socialworkers/</p> <p>Board of Clinical Social Work Examiners Cannon Building, Suite 203 861 Silver Lake Blvd. Dover, DE 19904 Phone: (302) 744-4500 Contact: customerservice.dpr@state.de.us</p>	
<p>District of Columbia</p>	<p>Bachelor’s level: LSWA</p> <p>All applicants for a license to practice social work in the District of Columbia shall meet the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant must be at least 18 years of age; and • Applicant must not have been convicted of a crime of moral turpitude, which bears directly on the applicant’s fitness. <p>The following support materials must be submitted with each application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A complete, signed application 	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the District of Columbia and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

- Two (2) identical, original recent passport size photographs (2×2 inches in size) on a plain background, which are front-view and fade-proof. Write on the back of the photos your full name and either your license number or Social Security Number.
- One (1) clear photocopy of a government issued photo ID, such as your valid driver’s license, as proof of identity.
- Three (3) character references in sealed envelopes. A minimum of two of these references must be completed by working
- An official passing exam score report for the level of the
- The license application fee of \$230.
- An official transcript from the educational institution from which the applicant graduated is required for applicants by EXAMINATION. Only the transcript appropriate to the level of the application is required.

You must first apply for a Social Work License by Examination in the District of Columbia and be approved to take the National Exam for the District. After you are approved to sit for the examination, you must contact ASWB at 888-579-3926 for information concerning exam and exam reservations. If you have taken your examination outside of the District of Columbia, you will have to transfer your scores to the District. See section 6C of the New License Application for Social Workers for information on how to request the score transfer. Even if you request a score transfer, you should include a copy of your score report with the application.

To qualify for a license, an applicant must receive a score of 75 on the appropriate level of the American Association of State Social Workers Boards (ASWB) examination. The bachelor level is identified as **Bachelors**, formerly known as Basic Examination for the LSWA.

Please review the District of Columbia’s DC Health Website for additional details about obtaining licensure: <https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/161562>

	<p>899 North Capitol Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002 Phone: (202) 442-5955 Fax: (202) 442-4795 TTY: 711 Contact: mavis.azariah@dc.gov</p>	
Florida	Does Not Meet	N/A
Georgia	Does Not Meet	N/A
Hawaii	<p>For the licensed bachelor social worker, the applicant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holds a bachelor’s degree from a college or university in a social work program accredited by or deemed to be equivalent to a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; and • Has passed the basic level national examination given by the Association of Social Work Boards. <p>Please review Hawaii’s Professional and Vocational Licensing Division website for additional details about obtaining licensure: http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/socialworker/</p> <p>Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs Professional & Vocational Licensing King Kalakaua Building 335 Merchant Street, Rm. 301 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Phone: (808) 586-3000 Contact: pvl@dcca.hawaii.gov</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Hawaii and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

<p>Idaho</p>	<p>The board shall issue bachelor’s level licenses to qualified applicants who have passed an examination conducted or approved by the board, are of good moral character and meet the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For a social worker license possess a baccalaureate degree in social work from a college or university approved by the board. <p>Please review Idaho’s Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://dopl.idaho.gov/</p> <p>Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses 700 West State Street Boise, ID 83702 Phone: (208) 334-3233 Contact: ibol@ibol.idaho.gov</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Idaho and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
<p>Illinois</p>	<p>For a Licensed Social Worker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • certification of graduation from a baccalaureate degree program of social work approved by the Division in accordance with Section 1470.30 and • verification of completion of 3 years of supervised professional experience in accordance with Section 20; • proof of successful completion of the examination set forth in Section 1470.70 (The examination scores shall be submitted to the Division directly from the reporting); • the required fee set forth in Section 55. <p>Please review Illinois’ Social Work website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.idfpr.com/profs/SocialWorker.asp</p> <p>Department of Financial & Professional Regulation 100 West Randolph, 9th Floor Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: (888) 473-4538</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Illinois and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

<p>Indiana</p>	<p>An applicant for licensure as a social worker (LBSW), clinical social worker, marriage and family therapist, marriage and family therapist associate, addiction counselor, clinical addiction counselor, mental health counselor, or mental health counselor associate shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • make application in writing on forms provided by the board; and • furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the qualifying requirements have been met as provided for in the state licensing statutes and 839 IAC 1-3 through 839 IAC 1-5.5. • Applicants for licensure as a social worker shall be required to pass the intermediate level of the national examination as provided by the Association of Social Work. <p>Please review Indiana’s Professional Licensing Agency website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/behavioral-health-and-human-services-licensing-board/social-workers/</p> <p>Indiana Professional Licensing Agency 302 W Washington Street Indianapolis, IN 46204 Phone: (317) 232-2980</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Indiana and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
<p>Iowa</p>	<p>Bachelor level social worker.</p> <p>An applicant for a license as a bachelor level social worker shall present evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant possesses a bachelor’s degree in social work from a college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education at the time of graduation.</p> <p>The following criteria shall apply to licensure:</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Iowa and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The applicant shall complete a board-approved application. Application forms may be obtained from the board’s website (www.idph.iowa.gov/licensure) or directly from the board office, or the applicant may complete the application online at ibplicense.iowa.gov. All paper applications shall be sent to Board of Social Work, Professional Licensure Division, Fifth Floor, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.• The applicant shall complete the application form according to the instructions contained in the application. If the application is not completed according to the instructions, the application will not be reviewed by the• Each application shall be accompanied by the appropriate fees payable by check or money order to the Board of Social Work. The fees are• No application shall be considered by the board until official copies of academic transcripts have been received by the board except as provided in 4(6).• The applicant shall provide verification of license(s) from every state in which the applicant has been licensed as a social worker, sent directly from the state(s) to the Iowa board of social work• The candidate shall take the examination(s) required by the board pursuant to these qualifications.• An applicant for a license as an independent social worker shall have met the requirements for supervision pursuant to 645—280.6(154C). 2 <p>Notification of licensure shall be sent to the licensee by regular Licensees who were issued their initial licenses within six months prior to the renewal shall not be required to renew their licenses until the renewal date two years later. Please review Iowa’s Board of Social Work website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Social-Work</p> <p>Bureau of Professional Licensure Iowa Department of Public Health Lucas State Office Building, 5th Floor 321 East 12th Street Des Moines, IA 50319-0075</p>	
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Kansas	<p>The board shall issue a license as a baccalaureate social worker to an applicant who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university, including completion of a social work program recognized and approved by the board, pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the board; • has passed an examination approved by the board for this purpose; and • has satisfied the board that the applicant is a person who merits the public. <p>Please review Kansas' Behavioral Sciences Regulator Board website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://ksbsrb.ks.gov/professions/social-workers</p> <p>Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board 700 SW Harrison Street, Suite 420 Topeka, KS 66603 Phone: (784) 296-3240</p>	Johnson C. Smith University's Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Kansas and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).
Kentucky	<p>The board shall issue a license as "licensed social worker" to an applicant who meets the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is at least eighteen (18) years of age; • Is a person of good moral character; • Has received a baccalaureate degree in a social work or social welfare program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; or Has received a baccalaureate degree and has completed courses equivalent to a social work or social welfare program as determined by the board; • Has paid to the board an examination fee established by the board by promulgation of an administrative regulation; • Has passed an examination prepared by the board; 	Johnson C. Smith University's Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Kentucky and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not within the preceding three (3) months failed to pass an examination given by the board; and • Has paid an initial license fee established by the board. <p>Please review Kentucky’s Board of Social Work website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://bsw.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx</p> <p>Kentucky Board of Social Work 125 Holmes Street, Suite 310 Frankfort, KY 40601 Phone: (502) 564-2350</p>	
Louisiana	<p>Registered Social Worker (RSW)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be of good moral character. As one element of good moral character, the board shall require each applicant to submit a full set of fingerprints for the purpose of obtaining state and federal criminal records check, pursuant to authorizing state statute and applicable federal law. The state agency responsible for managing fingerprint data may submit fingerprints to and exchange data with the FBI. All good moral character information, including the information obtained through criminal records checks, shall be considered in licensure decisions to the extent permissible by all applicable • The applicant shall have his/her university submit official transcript indicating the receipt of a bachelor of social work, bachelor of arts, or bachelor of science degree from an undergraduate social work program, accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, or a master’s degree of social work from a graduate social work program, accredited by the Council on Social Work Education. <p>Please review Louisiana’s State Board of Social Work Examiners website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.labswe.org/</p> <p>Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners</p>	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Louisiana and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

	<p>18550 Highland Road, Suite B Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809 Phone: (225) 756-3470 Contact: socialwork@labswe.org</p>	
<p>Maine</p>	<p>Licensed social worker. To be qualified to be licensed as a social worker an applicant must meet one of the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The applicant must have received a bachelor’s degree or higher in social work or social welfare from an accredited educational institution; demonstrated to the satisfaction of the board adherence to the ethics of the social worker profession; and successfully completed the examination prescribed by the board; or [2009, c. 112, Pt. A, §13 (AMD).] • The applicant must have received a conditional license as a licensed social worker in accordance with subsection 3-B; completed the requirements for consultation and contact hours in accordance with subsection 3-C, paragraph B and subsection 3-D; and successfully completed the examination prescribed by the board. <p>Please review Maine’s Professional and Financial Regulation website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/state-board-social-worker-licensure</p> <p>State Board of Social Work Licensure 35 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0035 Phone: (207) 624-8623 Contact: socwkr.board@maine.gov</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Maine and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

<p>Maryland</p>	<p>To obtain a bachelor social worker license, an applicant shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have received a baccalaureate degree in social work from a program that is accredited or is a candidate for accreditation by the Council on Social Work Education or an equivalent organization approved by the Council on Social Work Education. • All applicants for a license to practice social work in the District of Columbia shall meet the following requirements: • Applicant must be at least 18 years of age; and • Applicant must not have been convicted of a crime of moral turpitude, which bears directly on the applicant’s fitness. <p>Has submitted a complete written application in the form prescribed by the Board;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is at least 18 years old; • Is of good moral character; • Except as otherwise provided in this title, has successfully passed an examination or examinations prescribed by the Board pertinent to the license sought; • Has paid all applicable fees specified by the Board; • Has completed a criminal history records check in accordance with § 19–302.2 of this subtitle at the applicant’s expense; and • Has submitted to an examination if required <p>Please review Maryland’s Department of Health website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://health.maryland.gov/bswe/Pages/default.aspx</p> <p>Maryland Department of Health Herbert R. O’Conor State Office Building 201 W. Preston Street Baltimore, MD 21201 Phone: (877) 463-3464</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Maryland and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
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Massachusetts	<p>Licensure Requirements for a Licensed Social Worker (LSW)</p> <p>An applicant may be granted a license as a Licensed Social Worker (LSW) if he or she submits to the Board a properly completed application for such licensure, accompanied by all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Satisfactory written or electronic documentation that he or she possesses one of the following combinations of education and social work experience: • A baccalaureate degree in social work (BSW) from an undergraduate school or program of social work accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, or a degree from a foreign educational institution which is equivalent to a baccalaureate degree in social work as determined by the Council on Social Work Education; or • A baccalaureate degree in a field other than social work from an accredited college or university, plus a minimum of 3500 hours of work experience over not less than two years in the provision of social work services as an employee of an agency, health care facility or unrelated individual and under the direct supervision of an individual who meets the requirements of 258 CMR 9.05(2); or • A minimum of 2½ years (75 semester hours or 100 quarter hours), but less than four years, of undergraduate college education at an accredited college or university, plus a minimum of 8,750 hours of work experience over not less than five years in the provision of social work services as an employee of an agency, health care facility or unrelated individual and under the direct supervision of an individual who meets the requirements of 258 CMR 9.05(2); or • Two years (60 semester hours or 80 quarter hours) of undergraduate college education at an accredited college or university, plus a minimum of 10,500 hours of work experience over not less than six years in the provision of social work services as an employee of an agency, health care facility or unrelated individual and under the direct supervision of an individual who meets the requirements of 258 CMR 9.05(2); or 	<p>Johnson C. Smith University's Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Massachusetts and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One year (30 semester hours or 40 quarter hours) of undergraduate college education at an accredited college or university, plus a minimum of 14,000 hours of work experience over not less than eight years in the provision of social work services as an employee of an agency, health care facility or unrelated individual and under the direct supervision of an individual who meets the requirements of 258 CMR 9.05(2); or• A high school diploma, or its equivalent, plus a minimum of 17,500 hours of work experience over not less than ten years in the provision of social work services as an employee of an agency, health care facility or unrelated individual and under the direct supervision of an individual who meets the requirements of 258 CMR 05(2).• In the case of any applicant who is applying for licensure pursuant to any provision of 258 CMR 9.05(1) other than 258 CMR 9.05(1)(a), satisfactory written or electronic documentation that he or she completed the required work experience in the provision of social work services under the direct supervision of, and received individual face-to-face supervision at a rate of not less than one hour of supervision for every 35 hours of work experience from:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An individual who holds a license as a Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker issued by the Board;• An individual who meets the requirements for licensure in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker, but is exempt from the licensure requirement pursuant to 258 CMR 02(1);• An individual who holds a license from another jurisdiction which authorizes that individual to provide clinical social work services as an independent practitioner, if the requirements for the issuance of that license are, in the opinion of the Board, substantially equivalent to the requirements for licensure as a Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts;• An individual who holds a license as a Licensed Certified Social Worker issued by the Board pursuant to 258 CMR 04;	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An individual who meets the requirements for licensure in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a Licensed Certified Social Worker, but is exempt from the licensure requirement pursuant to 258 CMR 02(1);• An individual who holds a license from another jurisdiction for which the requirements for licensure in that jurisdiction are, in the opinion of the Board, substantially equivalent to the requirements for licensure as a Licensed Certified Social Worker in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; or• An individual who holds at least a baccalaureate degree in social work (BSW) from an undergraduate school or program of social work accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, or a degree from a foreign educational institution which is equivalent to a baccalaureate degree in social work as determined by the Council on Social Work• Satisfactory written or electronic documentation that he or she has passed the Basic licensure examination administered by the Association of Social Work Boards, or its successor agency, or an equivalent examination as determined by the Board, not more than two years prior to the date of his or her application;• A minimum of three professional references, on forms furnished for that purpose by the Board or its agent, from persons familiar with the applicant's professional experience in the field of social work, attesting that the applicant is of good moral character and has demonstrated that he or she will conduct his or her activities as a social worker in accordance with generally accepted standards of professional social work practice. One such reference shall be from the person who supervised the applicant in his or her most recent social work employment setting, a person who is licensed by the Board as a Licensed Certified Social Worker or Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker, or a person who is eligible for such licensure pursuant to 258 CMR 9.03, 258 CMR 9.04 or 258 CMR 9.07; and• Payment of the licensure fees prescribed by the Executive Office of Administration and Finance pursuant to M.G.L. c. 7, § 3B.	
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	<p>Please review Massachusetts' Board of Registration of Social Workers website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-social-workers</p> <p>Board of Registration of Social Workers Division of Professional Licensure 1000 Washington Street, Suite 710 Boston, MA 02118 Phone: (617) 727-3073 Contact: swboard@mass.gov</p>	
Michigan	<p>Eligibility for full bachelor's social worker license (LBSW) by examination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate with a bachelor's degree from a CSWE-accredited educational program. • Complete at least 4,000 hours of post-degree supervised social work experience over at least a two-year period. If the experience is gained in Michigan, must hold a Limited LBSW License. • Pass the Bachelors Examination that is conducted by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB). • Submit the fee with the application that is found on the board website. • A criminal background check is required if not previously taken for a Michigan health professional license. Fingerprints must be taken using the instructions and ID numbers that are sent to the applicant after the license application and fee are received. <p>Please review Michigan's Licensing and Regulatory Affairs website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334_72600_72603_27529_27554---,00.html</p> <p>Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs Ottawa Building 611 W. Ottawa</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University's Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Michigan and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

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<p>Minnesota</p>	<p>Licensed Social Worker, LSW</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic Degree: Baccalaureate degree in social work from a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education or the Canadian Association of Schools of Social Work. • Examination: Passing score on the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) bachelors level national social work licensure examination. • Criminal Background Check: All applicants for initial licensure must complete a fingerprint-based criminal background check (CBC) within 90 days of the application received date under Minnesota Statutes section 214.075. If you do not hold a current license, including a temporary license, with the Board you must submit the required fee and comply with fingerprint-based CBC requirements. If fingerprints are not submitted to the Criminal Background Check Program Office within 90 days of the application received date, the CBC fee is void and a new CBC fee is required. • Ethical Standards: Must not have engaged in conduct that would be in violation of the Boards ethical standards of practice. • Supervised Practice: Supervised practice is not required at the time of initial licensure but is required once the license is issued. Once licensed 100 hours of direct supervision per 4,000 hours of practice is required. <p>Please review Minnesota’s Board of Social Work website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://mn.gov/boards/social-work/</p> <p>Board of Social Work 2829 University Ave SE Suite #340 Minneapolis, MN 55414</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Minnesota and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

	<p>Phone: (612) 617-2100 Contact: Social.work@state.mn.us</p>	
Mississippi	<p>A license as a “licensed social worker” shall be issued to an applicant who demonstrates to the satisfaction of the board that he or she meets the following qualifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has a baccalaureate degree in social work from a college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education or Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and has satisfactorily completed the Association for Social Work Boards (ASWB) examination for this license; or • Has a comparable license or registration from another state or territory of the United States of America that imposes qualifications substantially similar to those of this chapter. <p>Please review Mississippi’s State Board of Examiners for Social Works and Marriage & Family Therapists website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.swmft.ms.gov/</p> <p>Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Social Workers and Marriage & Family Therapists 350 West Woodrow Wilson Avenue 1st Floor, Suite 761 Jackson, MS 39213 Phone: (601) 987-6806 Contact: info@swmft.ms.gov</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Mississippi and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
Missouri	<p>Educational Requirements for Licensed Social Workers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An applicant for registration of supervision, or a social work license, must have a degree from a professional social work program in an acceptable educational institution. An acceptable educational institution is a college or university program of social work accredited by the Council on Social Work Education 	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Missouri and is nationally</p>

	<p>(CSWE) or its successor organization, or an equivalent accreditation program, acceptable to the committee, in countries outside the United States.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verification of the degree is required by means of an official transcript sent directly to the committee by the educational institution. <p>Supervised Licensed Social Work Experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervision of the applicant for licensure shall not begin, and will only be acceptable to the committee, after the satisfactory completion of the educational requirements as set forth in the rules promulgated by the board. • The supervisor must have met the requirements for an acceptable supervisor, as set out in 20 CSR 2263-2.031, at the time the supervision was • Acceptable supervised licensed social work experience has the following characteristics: • Allowable supervision: • A minimum of two (2) hours every two (2) weeks of individual face-to-face supervision by the supervisor; • However, individual face-to-face supervision may be consolidated for up to four (4) weeks for a total of four (4) hours of individual face-to-face supervision per four (4)-week period. These hours shall be included in the total number of supervised hours required in subsection (3)(B). Fifty percent (50%) of supervision may be group supervision; • For the purpose of this rule, group supervision may consist of at least three (3), and no more than six (6) supervisees; and • The use of electronic communications is acceptable for meeting supervision requirements of this rule only if the ethical standards for confidentiality are maintained and communication is verbally and visually interactive between the supervisor and the supervisee; • The minimum acceptable supervised experience shall be three thousand (3,000) hours obtained in no less than twenty-four (24) and no more than forty-eight (48) consecutive calendar months. The forty-eight (48)-month time frame may include periods of unemployment and/or part-time employment. The total time 	<p>accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
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	<p>frame is calculated in consecutive months, not the employment within that period. Supervised experience toward the three thousand (3,000) required hours which is not within a consecutive forty-eight (48)-month period, is not eligible for submission toward licensure; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The practice of social work by the supervisee shall be performed under the oversight, guidance, control, and full professional responsibility of the supervisor approved by the committee, in compliance with all laws and regulations relating to the practice of social work. In the event the applicant fails to pre-approve their supervisor(s), or are applying through reciprocity, the committee may review the supervision for compliance and consideration for • An application for licensure must be submitted pursuant to the rules promulgated by the committee upon completion of the supervised social work experience. All applicants for licensure must remain under approved supervision until the license is approved. <p>Please review Missouri’s Division of Professional Registration website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://pr.mo.gov/socialworkers.asp</p> <p>Committee for Social Workers 3605 Missouri Boulevard P.O. Box 1335 Jefferson City, MO 65102-1335 Phone: (573) 751-4220 Contact: lcsw@pr.mo.gov</p>	
Montana	<p>Licensed Bachelor of Social Work (LBSW) Below are the minimum requirements you must meet to be licensed in the state of Montana:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of a bachelor's degree in social work from a program accredited by the Council on Social • Work Education (CSWE) [MCA 37-22-307(1)(a), ARM 24.219.501(4)] 	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Montana and is nationally

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervision by a supervisor who meets the requirements in ARM 24.219.421 • Submit fingerprints to the Montana Department of Justice for a fingerprint and background check. [MCA 37-22-307] <p>Please review Montana’s Department of Labor & Industry website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/behavioral-health/license-information/licensed-baccalaureate-social-worker-candidate</p> <p>Montana Board of Behavioral Health PO Box 200513 301 S Park, 4th Floor Helena, MT 59620-0512 Phone: 406-841-2300 E-Mail: dlibsdbbh@mt.gov Website: www.bbh.mt.gov</p>	accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).
Nebraska	<p>Certified Social Worker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a baccalaureate degree, master’s degree, or doctorate degree in social work from an approved education program; and • Have attained at least the age of majority and have good moral character. <p>Please review Nebraska’s Department of Health and Human Services website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Mental-Health-and-Social-Work-Practice.aspx</p> <p>Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services 301 Centennial Mall South Lincoln, Nebraska 68509 Phone: (402) 471-2117 Contact: Heidi.Weiland@nebraska.gov</p>	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Nebraska and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

<p>Nevada</p>	<p>Licensed Social Worker (LSW):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age. • Applicant must be a United States citizen or must be lawfully entitled to remain and work in the United States. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ U.S. citizens must submit a copy of their birth certificate or passport. (Hospital certificates are not acceptable). ○ Naturalized citizens must forward a copy of their naturalization certificate. ○ Aliens must submit a copy of documentation from the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service evidencing the lawful entitlement of the applicant to remain and work in the United States. • A copy of current, legible, official government photo identification (i.e. Driver's License) • Copies of legal documents must be submitted verifying all name changes from birth to current name. • All applicants for licensure must submit to the Board two complete sets of his/her fingerprints and accompanying waiver form, authorizing the Board to process the fingerprint cards. Applicants will be sent the Fingerprint Packet upon receipt of their application (or with the exam packet if the exam is required). The applicant is responsible for the fees required to complete the background check. A money order or certified check in the amount of \$36.25 made payable to the Nevada Dept. of Public Safety (NV DPS) must be submitted with the Fingerprint Packet. Changes to fingerprint fees are beyond the Board's control. It is highly recommended that applicants check the Board's website for any fee changes prior to sending in the fingerprint cards. Fees incorrectly received will be rejected. • Applicant must possess a baccalaureate or master's degree in Social Work from a college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education or which is a candidate for such accreditation. An applicant must request that the college or university from which (s)he graduated forward directly to the 	<p>Johnson C. Smith University's Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Nevada and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
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	<p>Board a certified transcript of his / her educational coursework and the degree awarded.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ In addition to a transcript sent directly to the Board from his/her university, a graduate of a foreign social work program must also submit the appropriate forms and documentation to the Council on Social Work Education for evaluation of foreign credentials and cause the Council on Social Work Education to submit an original letter to the Board verifying equivalency.● Applicants who are currently, or have previously been certified, registered or licensed to practice social work in another state must request verification of certification, registration, or licensure be sent directly to the Board from each state● Applicants who hold a current license, in good standing, to engage in the practice of social work in another state may apply for licensure via● Applicant must pass an examination given by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) or an exam accepted by the Board, equivalent to the level of licensure requested. Once the completed application for licensure with all supporting documents and fees have been received and the application is approved, the applicant will receive an “exam approval letter.” An examination fee will be required by ASWB when you register to take the examination (see below).<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ An applicant who possesses a baccalaureate degree in social work will be approved to take the ASWB Bachelors examination.○ An applicant who possesses a master’s degree in social work will be given the option of taking either the ASWB Bachelors or the Masters examination. If an applicant plans to apply for an internship to complete postgraduate hours for a Clinical or Independent Social Worker license (s)he will need to show proof of a satisfactory score on the ASWB Masters examination.○ An applicant who has taken the ASWB examination in another state must have verification of examination results sent directly to the Board	
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	<p>from the state for which examination was taken or from ASWB. See form on the website — http://socwork.nv.gov/.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If the applicant is not currently licensed in another state, the appropriate examination must have been taken within six (6) months prior to the submission of this application. ▪ An applicant who is enrolled in his/her last semester before the award of a social work degree in a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education is eligible to sit for the examination prior to graduation. The applicant must request the social work program to send verification of enrollment in final semester directly to the Board. <p>Please review Nevada’s Board of Examiners for Social Workers website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://socwork.nv.gov/</p> <p>State of Nevada Board of Examiners for Social Workers 4600 Kietzke Lane, #C121 Reno, NV 89502 Phone; (775) 688-2555 Contact: slowery@besw.nv.gov</p>	
New Hampshire	Does Not Meet	N/A
New Jersey	<p>Certified Social Worker (CSW) An applicant for certification as a social worker shall submit the following, on forms provided by the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A completed application form, which requests information concerning the applicant’s educational and experiential background; 2. A completed Certification and Authorization Form for a Criminal History Background Check. Upon receipt of the completed form and licensure / 	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of New Jersey and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

	<p>certification application, you will receive additional information and instructions about completing the background check.</p> <p>3. The application fee set forth in <u>N.J.A.C. 13:44G-14.1</u>; and</p> <p>4. The following documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An official transcript indicating that the applicant has received a baccalaureate degree in social work from an educational program accredited, or in candidacy for accreditation, by the Council on Social Work Education; or • An official transcript indicating that the applicant acquired a baccalaureate degree prior to April 6, 1995, from an accredited institution of higher education in one of the following fields: guidance and counseling, human services, marriage and family counseling, psychology, sociology, vocational/disability rehabilitation, and social work (from institutions not accredited, or in candidacy for accreditation, by the Council on Social Work Education), and an affidavit or other form as the Board may require attesting to the applicant having acquired one year of full-time social work experience (1,600 hours in any consecutive 18-month period) prior to April 6, 1995. <p>Please review New Jersey’s Division of Consumer Affairs website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/sw/Pages/default.aspx</p> <p>State Board of Social Work Examiners P.O. Box 45033 Newark, New Jersey 07101 Phone: (973) 504-6495</p>	
New Mexico	<p>The board shall issue a license as a baccalaureate social worker to any person who files a completed application, accompanied by the required fees, and who submits satisfactory evidence that the applicant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has reached the age of majority; • has at least a bachelor’s degree in social work from a program accredited by the council on social work education; and 	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of New Mexico and is nationally

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> demonstrates professional competence by satisfactorily passing a written examination as prescribed by the ASWB. <p>Please review New Mexico’s Regulations and Licensing Department website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards-and-commissions/individual-boards-and-commissions/social-work/sw-licensing-services/</p> <p>New Mexico Regulation & Licensing Department Toney Anaya Building 2550 Cerrillos Road Santa Fe, NM 87505 Phone: (505) 476-4500</p>	accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).
New York	Does Not Meet	N/A
North Carolina	<p>LEVEL A – Certified Social Worker (CSW)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EDUCATION: BSW from CSWE accredited undergraduate school. EXAMINATION: ASWB Bachelor level EXPERIENCE: No prior experience required. APPLICATION FEE: \$115 BIENNIAL RENEWAL: \$70 and documentation of 40 clock hours of CE (4 in ethics) every 2 years <p>Please review North Carolina’s Social Work and Certification Licensure Board website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://ncswboard.gov/</p> <p>North Carolina Social Work Certification and Licensure Board P.O. Box 1043 Asheboro, NC 27204 Phone: (336) 625-1679</p>	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of North Carolina and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

	Contact: mlilly@ncswboard.org	
North Dakota	<p>The board shall issue a license as a Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (LBSW) to an applicant who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has a baccalaureate degree in social work from a college or university. • Has passed an examination approved by the board for this • Has satisfied the board that the applicant agrees to adhere to the code of social work ethics adopted by the National Association of Social Workers (NASW). <p>Please review North Dakota’s Board of Social Work Examiners website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.ndbswe.com/</p> <p>ND Board of Social Work Examiners P.O. Box 914 Bismarck, ND 58502-0914 Phone: (701) 222-0255</p>	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of North Dakota and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).
Ohio	<p>LSW License: Complete a bachelor’s, masters, or doctorate degree in social work from an accredited program. Degrees in other fields are no longer eligible for licensure. If you are in the final semester of a social work program, you may apply and start the process at any time.</p> <p>Documents required for completing your LSW licensure file:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LSW application with fee • ASWB Test Results • Watch the Board’s online Laws and Rules video • BCI and FBI background check • Official Transcript showing your conferred degree, sent directly from your school. 	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Ohio and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

	<p>Please review Ohio’s Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://cswmft.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/cswmft/get-licensed/social-workers/social-workers</p> <p>Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage & Family Therapist Board 77 South High Street, 24th Floor, Room 2468 Columbus, Ohio 43215-6171 Phone: (614) 466-0912 Contact: cswmft.info@cswb.ohio.gov</p>	
Oklahoma	<p>As a licensed social work associate (LSWA) who has a baccalaureate degree in social work from an accredited institution or an approved social work program or both and has passed the examination provided for under these provisions or who has a doctoral or master’s degree in social work from an institution with a program accredited by an approved social work program and has passed the examination provided for under these provisions.</p> <p>Qualifications for all Licensees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit a written application in a form prescribed by the State Board of Licensed Social Workers; • Have attained the age of majority; • Be of good moral character; • Have graduated and received a degree in social work from an approved social work program; • Have completed any necessary post graduate experience and supervision in the practice • Have passed the necessary examination and paid all fees required by the Board; and • Submit to a national criminal history record check 	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Oklahoma and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

	<p>Please review Oklahoma’s Board of Licensed Social Workers website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.ok.gov/socialworkers/</p> <p>Oklahoma State Board of Licensed Social Workers 3700 N. Classen Blvd. STE 162 Oklahoma City, OK 73154 Phone: (405) 521-3712 Contact: james.marks@oswb.ok.gov</p>	
Oregon	<p>To be eligible for initial certificate of registration or license, a person must meet the requirements in sections (1) through (6) of this rule:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The person must submit a complete and accurate application on a form provided by the • The person must hold the degree described in sub-section (b) of this section from a college or university accredited by or considered in candidacy status by a credentialing body recognized by the board. The Council on Social Work Education and the Canadian Association for Social Work Education are recognized by the Board. The Board accepts determinations of equivalency of foreign degrees by the Council on Social Work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Education’s International Social Work Degree Recognition and Evaluation Service. Submission of proof of foreign degree equivalency and cost of the foreign degree equivalency determination are the responsibility of the applicant. ○ The degree required for initial registration is a baccalaureate degree in social work. <p>The person must be fit to practice social work in Oregon. The board uses the following standard and procedure to make a fitness determination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be fit to practice social work in Oregon, the person must have demonstrated and must currently have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Good moral character. 	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Oregon and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A personal history of conduct that is consistent with the standards contained in division 30 of this chapter of rules. ○ In the event the person’s history includes conduct that may call into question the person’s fitness, the board will consider, if made available by the person, the amount of time elapsed since the conduct and the person’s relevant conduct since the questioned conduct, including remedial or compensatory actions taken by the person, if appropriate. • The person must be fit to practice social work in Oregon. In making this fitness determination, the board will consider whether the person is subject of an investigation or disciplinary action by a licensing board and the reasons for the action. • The person must pass the following examination administered by the Association of Social Work Boards: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For registration as a baccalaureate social worker, the bachelor’s level examination. <p>Please review Oregon’s Board of Licensed Social Workers website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.oregon.gov/BLSW/Pages/index.aspx</p> <p>Oregon Board of Licensed Social Workers 3218 Pringle Rd SE Ste. 240 Salem, OR 97302-6310 Phone: (503) 378-5735 Contact: Oregon.blsw@oregon.gov</p>	
Pennsylvania	<p>A BSW graduate meets provisional professional licensure standards for the state of Pennsylvania if a student acquires 3 years of supervised experience and is enrolled in a Master of Social Work program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 47.12b. Provisional license as a social worker. 	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets provisional licensure standards for the state of Pennsylvania if a student acquires 3 years of supervised

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be issued a license to hold oneself out as a social worker with a provisional license, an applicant shall provide proof satisfactory to the Board, that the applicant has met the following conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Satisfied the general requirements for licensure of § 47.12 (relating to qualifications for licensure). ○ Received a bachelor’s degree in social work from a school of social work or social welfare accredited by the Council on Social Work Education and has 3 years full time cumulative experience, under the supervision of a social worker who has graduated with a master’s degree in social work or social welfare from a school which was an accredited school on the date the degree was awarded or who possesses a doctoral degree in social work. ○ Offered proof of current enrollment in a master’s degree program at a school of social work or social welfare accredited by the Council on Social Work Education. ○ Passed the provisional license examination requirement set forth in § 47.11 (relating to licensure examination). • A provisional licensee while working as a social worker with a current provisional license, shall associate himself with a licensed social worker or other social worker who qualifies under the act and this chapter. The provisional licensee shall be under the supervision and direction of the licensed social worker or other social worker who qualifies under section 7(b)(2) of the act (63 P. S. § 1907(b)(2)). • An applicant may not be issued more than three provisional licenses. A provisional license has a 2-year duration. • If a provisional licensee discontinues his education to obtain a master’s degree in social work or social welfare from an accredited school, the provisional licensee shall notify the Board in writing of the licensee’s discontinuance and return to the Board any provisional license. 	<p>experience and is enrolled in a Master of Social Work Program. Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
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Rhode Island	Does Not Meet	N/A
South Carolina	<p>To be licensed as a Baccalaureate Social Worker, an applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have submitted a written application in the form prescribed by the board; • be at least twenty-one years of age; • be of good moral character; • have received a baccalaureate degree in social work from a program accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting body for social work programs, or from a social work program whose standards are at least equivalent to the minimum standards required by the nationally recognized accrediting body approved by the board; • have successfully passed an examination prescribed by the board; • have paid all applicable fees specified by the board. <p>Please review South Carolina’s Labor Licensing Regulation website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.llr.sc.gov/sw/</p> <p>South Carolina Department of Labor Licensing and Regulation</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of South Carolina and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

	<p>110 Centerview Drive Columbia, SC Phone: (803) 896-4664 Contact: Contact.SocialWork@llr.sc.gov</p>	
South Dakota	<p>Social Work Associate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baccalaureate degree in a nonsocial work field or discipline or an associate of arts degree in the human services in a program approved by the Board from a junior college, college, or university approved by the Board; and • Passed an examination prepared by the Board for this purpose. <p>Social Workers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baccalaureate degree in a social work or social welfare program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; or • Passed an examination prepared by the Board for this purpose. <p>Please review South Dakota’s Board of Social Work Examiners website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/socialwork/social.aspx</p> <p>Board of Social Work Examiners 810 N. Main Street, Suite 298 Spearfish, SD 57783 Phone: (605) 773-3165</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of South Dakota and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
Tennessee	<p>Baccalaureate Social Worker: After December 31, 2010, an applicant for a license as a baccalaureate social worker shall submit the following to the Board office:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed application on a form prescribed by the Board, which shall include, but not be limited to disclosures of the following: • Criminal conviction(s), except for traffic violations; 	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Tennessee and is nationally</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Denial of licensure or discipline imposed by another state’s licensing board, should the person have a license in another state; • Loss or restriction of licensure privileges; and • Civil suit judgment or adverse civil settlement involving the applicant. • Payment of the application, license, and state regulatory fees; • A passport-style photograph taken within twelve (12) months preceding the date the application is submitted to the Board office; • Results of his or her criminal background check to be sent from the vendor directly to the Board office; • An official transcript showing a bachelor’s degree in social work from his/her institution to be submitted directly from the school to the Board office. The institution must be accredited by the Council on Social Work Education at the time the degree was granted; and • Proof that he or she has successfully passed the ASWB bachelor’s licensing exam with a passing score of seventy-five (75). <p>Please review Tennessee’s Department of Health website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/sw-board.html</p> <p>Health Professional Boards Board of Social Workers 710 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243 Contact: tn.health@tn.gov</p>	accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).
Texas	To be eligible for a license under this chapter, an applicant must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be at least 18 years of age; • be worthy of the public trust and confidence; • satisfy the education and experience requirements under this section; and 	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Texas and is nationally

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pass the licensing examination conducted by the board under Section 505.354 and the jurisprudence examination conducted by the board under Section 3545. • An applicant may take the licensing examination conducted by the board under Section 505.354 for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ a <i>baccalaureate social worker license</i> if the applicant possesses a baccalaureate degree in social work from an educational program that is accredited by or is in candidacy for accreditation by the Council on Social Work Education; or • The board may require an applicant to submit documentary evidence of the quality, scope, and nature of the applicant’s experience and competence to: • determine the credibility and acceptability of the applicant’s professional or technical experience or competence; and ensure the public safety, health, and welfare. <p>Please review Texas’ State Board of Social Work Examiners website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.bhec.texas.gov/texas-state-board-of-social-worker-examiners/index.html</p> <p>Texas State Board of Social Examiners Texas Department of State Health Services P.O. Box 149347 Austin, Texas 78714-9347 Phone: (512) 719-3521 Contact: lsw@hhsc.state.tx.us</p>	accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).
Utah	Social Service Worker: Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor’s degree in Social Work – OR – 	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Utah and is nationally

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master’s degree in Psychology, Marriage and Family Therapy or Mental Counseling – OR – • Bachelor’s degree in another field AND <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Completed three semester hours (or the equivalent) each in the area of Social Welfare Policy, Human Growth and Development (across the lifespan, and Social Work Practice Methods. ○ Completed 2,000 hours of qualifying experience. ○ Supervisor completed experience form – OR – • Completed first academic year of a CSWE approved Master’s of Social Work curriculum and practicum <p>Exam:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taken and passed the ASWB Bachelors Exam <p>Please review Utah’s Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://dopl.utah.gov/soc/</p> <p>Utah Department of Commerce Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing Social Work 160 East 300 South Salt Lake City, UT 84111 Phone: (801) 530-6628 Contact: jzaelit@utah.gov</p>	accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).
Vermont	Does Not Meet	N/A
Virginia	LBSW licensure process by examination: The LBSW is a case management license applicable to Bachelor’s of Social Work (BSW) degree applicants. This license is not a prerequisite for clinical licensure.	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional

	<p>ANY PERSON PURSUING A LICENSE AS A LICENSED BACCALAUREATE SOCIAL WORKER (LBSW) IN VIRGINIA WILL NEED TO:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Successfully graduate with a BSW degree from a CSWE accredited program <i>NOTE: Graduates of foreign institutions must establish the equivalency of their education through the Foreign Equivalency Determination Service of the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)</i> 2. Apply for LBSW by Examination and submit all supporting documentation 3. Pass the ASWB Bachelors level examination <p>The Regulations require that you successfully complete a Bachelor’s of Social Work (BSW) program from a Council on Social Work Education (“CSWE”) accredited school. Please double check that your BSW program is accredited before submitting an application for licensure, as all fees submitted to the Board are nonrefundable. <i>Graduates of foreign institutions must establish the equivalency of their education through the Foreign Equivalency Determination Service of the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</i></p> <p>An official transcript with conferral date of your degree will be required. Letters of good standing will <i>not</i> be accepted.</p> <p>Please review Virginia’s Board of Social Work website for additional details about obtaining licensure: http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/social/</p> <p>Board of Social Work Perimeter Center 9960 Maryland Drive, Suite 300 Henrico, Virginia 23233-1463 Phone: (804) 367-4441 Contact: socialwork@dhp.virginia.gov</p>	<p>licensure standards for the state of Virginia and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
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Washington	Does Not Meet	N/A
West Virginia	<p>LSW Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education: Applicants seeking to become a licensed social worker (LSW) in West Virginia must possess a bachelor's degree in social work from a social work program that has been accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). Proof of degree in the form of an official academic transcript must be provided to the West Virginia Board of Social Work Examiners (WVBSWE) for approval prior to licensure. • Exam: Prior to granting of licensure, applicants must have received a passing grade in the basic level exam that is designed and administered by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB). • Responsibilities: Upon becoming a licensed social worker, the licensee is permitted to practice social work in a number of areas. The scope of a licensed social worker can include, but is not necessarily limited to: social advocacy for clients, tasks related to community organizing and training activities that help to increase a client's social function and standard of living. It should also be noted that a candidate who has received their social work degree through an alternative educational path may apply for a provisional license as a social worker, but they are not allowed to practice social work independently. 	Johnson C. Smith University's Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of West Virginia and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).
Wisconsin	<p>Application for certification as a social worker: In addition to paying the fee under s. 440.05 (1), Stats., an applicant for certification as a social worker shall submit a completed, signed application form together with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A certificate of professional education, signed and sealed by the chancellor, dean or registrar of the school from which the applicant has graduated with a bachelor's, master's or doctoral degree in social work. • Verification that the school or program which awarded the social work degree was accredited by, or a pre-accreditation program, of the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) at the time the applicant graduated from the program or school, or that a degree awarded by a foreign institution of higher learning 	Johnson C. Smith University's Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Wisconsin and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

	<p>has been determined by the CSWE to be equivalent to a program accredited by the CSWE. If the applicant’s education was not received in English, the applicant must demonstrate proficiency in English by achieving a score of 550 (or 213 on the computer– based exam) or above on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or an equivalent score on an equivalent examination.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verification of successful completion of the examination required. • Verification of the applicant’s credential in all jurisdictions in which the applicant has ever been credentialed. • All pertinent information relating to any convictions or pending charges for all crimes and any traffic offenses which did or could result in revocation or suspension of the applicant’s driver’s license. <p>Please review Wisconsin’s Department of Safety and Professional Services website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://dsps.wi.gov/pages/Professions/SocialWorker/Default.aspx</p> <p>Department of Safety and Professional Licensing 4822 Madison Yards Way Madison, WI 53705 Phone: (608) 266-2112</p>	
Wyoming	<p>Certified Social Worker:</p> <p>Section 2. General Requirements for Certification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are of majority age • Have no felony convictions, and no misdemeanor convictions that relate adversely to the practice of clinical social work or to the ability to practice clinical social work • Are legal inhabitants of the State. • Satisfy the requirements established in these rules <p>Section 3. Education Requirement for Certification</p>	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the state of Wyoming and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All requirements shall be met through the completion of a Council on Social Work Education accredited baccalaureate degree program in social work <p>Section 4. Examination Requirement for Certification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The board shall accept passing score as established by the examination provider on ONE of the following examinations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) examination at the bachelor’s level. Other examination as may be approved by the board. <p>Please review Wyoming’s Mental Health Professionals Licensing Board website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/professionals-1/all-social-work-apps</p> <p>Wyoming State Mental Health Professions Licensing Board 2001 Capitol Avenue, RM 105 Cheyenne, WY 82002 Phone: (307) 777-3508 Contact: greg.searls@wyo.gov</p>	
American Samoa	Please review American Samoa’s Department of Human and Social Services website for details about clinical and social services in the territory: http://dhss.as/	Does Not Meet
Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands	An applicant to practice as a social worker must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age, be a U.S. citizen or a foreign national lawfully entitled to remain and work in the Commonwealth, and meets the following requirements:	Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional

	<p>Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (L.B.S.W.):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holds a Bachelor’s degree in social work from a college or university accredited by or deemed to be equivalent to an accredited program by the Council on Social Work Education, or the Canadian Association of Schools of Social Work or from a college or university accredited by an accrediting organization recognized by the Board, or a social work education program approved by the Board; and • Has passed the bachelor’s examination administered by the Association of Social Work Boards, or an examination in social work approved by the Board. <p>Please review the Northern Mariana Island’s Board of Professional Licensing website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.prweb.com/releases/2014/09/prweb12204681.htm</p> <p>Board of Professional Licensing/ Health Care Professions Licensing Board P.O. Box 502078 Saipan, MP 96950 Email: cnmi@cnmibpl-hcplb.net</p>	<p>licensure standards for the territory of the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
Guam	<p>Licensed Bachelor Social Worker (LBSW):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold a Bachelor’s degree from a college or university in a social work program accredited by or deemed to be equivalent to a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education • Have passed the basic level national examination given by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB). <p>Please review the Guam Board of Social Work website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.prweb.com/releases/2014/09/prweb12204681.htm</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the territory of Guam and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

	<p>Guam Board of Social Work Health Professional Licensing Office Department of Public Health and Social Services 123 Chalan Kareta Mangilao, GU 96913 (671) 735-7404 Myrna L. Leon Guerrero – Myrna.LeonGuerrero@dphss.guam.gov</p>	
<p>Republic of Marshall Islands</p>	<p>All health professionals in the Marshall Islands must be licensed through the Board of Health Professions. A social worker in the Marshall Islands is a mental health professional and includes BSW, BS, MSW, MS, PhD, and LCSW. We were unable to locate contact information or professional credentialing information for this territory using an internet search.</p> <p>For more information about the licensing law in the Republic of Marshall Islands, please download a copy of the Marshall Islands Health Professional Licensing Act of 2009: http://rmiparliament.org/cms/images/LEGISLATION/PRINCIPAL/2010/2010-0038/HealthProfessionalLicensingAct2009_1.pdf</p> <hr/>	<p>Does Not Meet</p>
<p>Federated States of Micronesia</p>	<p>We were unable to locate contact information or professional credentialing information for this territory using an internet search.</p>	<p>Does Not Meet</p>

<p>Puerto Rico</p>	<p>Provisional license for certified social work professionals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a resident of Puerto Rico. If you are not a legal resident of Puerto Rico, you are not eligible for a social work professional license of Puerto Rico. • Submit the official license application online, answering all questions and providing all the required documentation in PDF format. • Have completed a Bachelor of Arts with a concentration in Social Work from a University recognized by the Board of Postsecondary Institutions or have a baccalaureate degree from a recognized University, and also have eighteen (18) or more credits of post-graduate studies in Social Work from a recognized University. • Official academic transcript from the university with the conferred degree, sent directly via mail or email from the institution to the Professional Credential Services (PCS) headquarter. • Those who apply for postgraduate studies credits must submit, in addition. Official transcript evidencing at least 18 credits of post-graduate studies from a recognized university. <p>Please review Puerto Rico’s Department of State website for additional details about obtaining licensure: https://www.estado.pr.gov/en/professional-social-workers/</p> <p>Note, to obtain licensure in Puerto Rico an applicant must be a legal resident of Puerto Rico.</p> <p>Department of State Assistant Secretary of Examination Boards Board of Examiners of Social Work Professionals of Puerto Rico P.O. Box 9023271 San Juan, PR 00902-3271</p> <p>787-722-2122, extension #4309</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the territory of Puerto Rico and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>
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<p>US Virgin Islands</p>	<p>Social Worker Associate: Applicant may have a baccalaureate degree in a non-Social Work field or an associate of arts degree in the Human Services from a junior college, college or university approved by the Board.</p> <p>Social Worker: Applicant must have a baccalaureate degree in Social Work or Social Welfare Program from a college or university approved by the Board or a baccalaureate degree in another field with two years of experience in a social work capacity.</p> <p>Examination: Any person, holding a Social Worker’s degree applying to become a Social Worker is required to take an examination at three levels: Bachelors, Masters, or Clinical. All levels of examinations must be approved by the Board. The Intermediate, Clinical, and Advance Examinations are only administered to persons holding a Master of Social Work Degree or higher from an accredited, board approved college or university. The examination is available via computer year-round at the Pearson Vue Testing Center.</p> <p>Please review Virgin Island’s Department of Licensure and Consumer Affairs website for additional details about obtaining licensure. https://dlca.vi.gov/boardcertifications/steps/swrequirements/swlist.htm</p> <p>Assistant Commissioner, Office of Boards and Commissions V.I. Board of Social Workers’ Licensure Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs Golden Rock Shopping Center, Suite #9 Christiansted, VI 00820-4311 (340) 713-DLCA (3522)</p>	<p>Johnson C. Smith University’s Bachelor of Social Work degree program meets professional licensure standards for the territory of US Virgin Islands and is nationally accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).</p>

Meets = Meets state education requirements to take state certification or licensure exam

Does Not Meet = Does not meet educational requirements to take state certification or licensure exam

If you're contemplating becoming a licensed social worker, becoming acquainted with social work licensure requirements by state is essential. Different states in the U.S. uphold their own requirements regarding experience and social work certification for those who aspire to become licensed social workers.

Most states require a specific number of hours of supervision to be completed before the social worker can sit for the licensure exam.

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