

Bellarmino University: State Licensure Information by Degree Program

State licensure

If considering an academic program that typically leads to a professional licensure (example: Education or Nursing), a potential student should first contact the appropriate licensing agency in their home state before enrolling in a program outside their home state. Additional obligations or conditions may be required for licensure when a program is completed in another state, even if a similar or identical program may be available in one's home state. In other words, *where* the program is completed can matter.

Though Bellarmine University is authorized to offer its programs to students in or from other states--both in-person and online--it is possible that additional restrictions or conditions may be in place in other states that could pose challenges or obstacles for licensure. These may include the following:

- inability to sit for local licensing in a state other than the one in which the program was completed;
- ineligibility for consumer protection in other states¹
- ineligibility for field placements (practicum, internship, clerkship, etc.) in other states. This could affect licensure eligibility or recognition of the degree to meet related requirements.

Thus, please verify with your state's professional licensing board that Bellarmine University's program will satisfy its licensure requirements as expected, or allow you to sit for any licensure exams or meet additional licensure requirements.

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Below, you'll find state-specific information about Bellarmine University's programs that typically lead to licensure, including determinations Bellarmine has made about whether its program meets or does not meet requirements in other states. Click the + next to the program name to expand the section and its information.

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Accounting —

The core of the Bellarmine accounting major is a four-year, 120-hour program that provides the knowledge and skills necessary for a successful accounting career, and meets the Bachelor's degree requirement for CPA licensure. However, most U.S. states and territories require a Bachelor's Degree and a total of 150 credit hours of education for full licensure. This degree program consists of 120 credit hours toward the 150 hour requirements for full licensure as a Certified Public Accountant in any state or U.S. Territory. Note that completion of the program alone does not grant any kind of licensure. Students who complete the program may choose to take the CPA Exam in the state of Kentucky.

Many students choose to obtain the 150-semester-hours required to take the Uniform CPA exam. Bellarmine offers several 150-hour alternatives, including supplemental minors, dual majors, or a dual BA/MBA.

Students may be permitted to sit for the CPA exam, while working toward the additional 30 hour requirement, in the following states:

Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, U.S. Virgin Islands, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

Students in states and territories not listed above must complete the 150 credit hours prior to applying to the uniform CPA exam. Additionally, each state may have requirements related to work experience, residency, ethics training, age, etc. for licensure/certification that can be found on the NASBA website. The additional 30 credit hours are often completed through minors, certificate programs, graduate coursework (e.g. MBA), etc.

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Accounting licensure contacts in each state:

<https://nasba.org/stateboards/>

Certificate in Professional Accounting —

The Bellarmine Post-Baccalaureate Accounting Certificate Program is designed to help graduates of bachelor's programs complete Kentucky state requirements for eligibility to take the CPA examination. The program can usually be modified to meet the requirements of other states to take the CPA examination. Note that completion of the program alone does not grant any kind of licensure.

Students who have a Bachelor's degree in an area other than accounting, or those currently pursuing a degree outside of public accounting, can add the Certificate in Professional Accounting and meet the 150 credit hour qualifications to sit for the CPA exam. This certificate is not designed for those who are enrolled in, or have previously completed a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting.

Please see the Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Accounting tab above for additional information and requirements for the uniform Certificate Public Accounting exam.

Accounting licensure contacts in each state:

Master of Science (MS) in Athletic Training —

Bellarmino's Master of Science in Athletic Training program prepares you to make an impact in the lives of patients and have a career that merges passion and practicality. Students in the MSAT program attain knowledge, skills, and abilities in healthcare administration, professional development and responsibility. Graduate from a CAATE accredited entry-level master's program allows one to attempt the Board of Certification (BOC) for the Athletic Trainer exam to become a certified athletic trainer. Note that completion of the program alone does not grant any kind of licensure.

Athletic Training State Licensure Boards:

<https://members.nata.org/gov/state/regulatory-boards/map.cfm>

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Iowa
Kansas
Kentucky

Louisiana
Maine
Maryland
Massachusetts
Michigan
Minnesota
Mississippi
Missouri
Montana
Nebraska
Nevada
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New Mexico
New York
North Carolina
North Dakota
Ohio
Oklahoma
Oregon
Pennsylvania
Rhode Island
South Carolina
South Dakota
Tennessee
Texas
Utah
Vermont
Virginia
Washington
Wisconsin

Not yet determined:

California
Puerto Rico
U.S. Virgin Islands

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Education —

The Annsley Frazier Thornton School of Education at Bellarmine offers programs leading to teacher certification in Elementary, Middle School, Secondary, and Special Education (Learning and Behavior Disorders). Bellarmine University does not grant the educator license although

satisfactory program and assessment completion enables the university to recommend our graduates for the appropriate Kentucky credential.

Reciprocity is a term often used when educators need to transfer their certification from one state to another. This does not mean, however, that a state with “reciprocity” will automatically grant the same certification as was held in another state, since each state has its own special requirements. Kentucky is part of the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) Interstate Agreement. Although there may be conditions applicable to individual jurisdictions, the Agreement makes it possible for an educator who completed an approved program and/or who holds a certificate or license in one jurisdiction to earn a certificate or license in another state or jurisdiction. For example, a teacher who completed an approved teacher preparation program in Alabama generally will be able to earn a certificate in Georgia. Receiving states may impose certain special requirements which must be met in a reasonable period of time.

The NASDTEC Interstate Agreement aids candidates in gaining information on what the various state requirements are from state-to-state. It may be viewed at:

<https://www.nasdtrec.net/page/interstate>

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Louisiana
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Maryland
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Michigan
Minnesota
Mississippi
Missouri
Montana
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Nevada
New Hampshire
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Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) —

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.ccnaccreditation.org>) and approved by the Kentucky Board of Nursing.

The purpose of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program is to provide basic professional education. Graduates are prepared to function independently or in collaboration with other

health care providers to serve individuals and families in hospitals and community settings. The program is designed to encourage students' active participation in achieving program outcomes. Upon completion of the program, the graduates will have a recognition of and desire for continuing professional development and a sound foundation for pursuing graduate education in nursing.

Note that completion of the program alone does not grant any kind of licensure. Upon successful completion of the BSN requirements graduates are eligible to apply for licensure through their state board of nursing and sit for the NCLEX-RN examination.

Nursing licensure contacts: <https://www.ncsbn.org/membership/us-members/contact-bon.page>

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Montana

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Ohio
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Pennsylvania
Rhode Island
South Carolina
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Wyoming

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Master of Science in Nursing: Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) —

At Bellarmine, our Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner track prepares professional nurses to provide a wide range of primary, preventive, and acute healthcare services to individuals of all ages. Students will complete selected clinical practica as part of this curriculum. Note that completion of the program alone does not grant any kind of licensure. Upon successful completion of the FNP track requirements graduates are eligible to apply for certification through the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) or American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP).

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Doctor of Physical Therapy

The Bellarmine University Doctor of Physical Therapy program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), and therefore, meets the educational requirements to obtain professional licensure in all states. CAPTE accreditation of a physical therapist program satisfies educational requirements in all states. Students graduating from CAPTE-accredited physical therapist education programs are eligible to take the National Physical Therapy Examination and apply for licensure in all states.

For more information regarding state qualifications and licensure requirements, refer to the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy website at www.fsbpt.org.

The applicant for licensure must successfully pass the National Physical Therapy Examination. Additional requirements for state licensure may apply including practice experience, state-specific coursework and exams, applications, official transcripts, jurisprudence examination results, fees, background checks, etc. Each state board, agency, and/or department has the ultimate authority and discretion to determine whether professional licensure or certification will be issued. Students who are interested in practicing in this state should contact the state board before enrolling in a program.

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Nebraska
Nevada
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New Mexico
New York
North Carolina
North Dakota
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Bachelor of Science (BS) in Radiation Therapy

The Bachelor in Health Science in Radiation Therapy includes coursework in radiation therapy physics, medical dosimetry, radiation biology, oncology pathology, patient care and clinical radiation oncology. Clinical rotations are performed at a variety of centers giving the student a full range of clinical procedures. Coursework and clinical experiences prepare students to work as entry-level radiation therapists. Note that completion of the program alone does not grant any kind of licensure. Students may apply to take the national board exam administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists once all coursework is completed.

Radiation Therapy licensure contacts by state: <https://www.asrt.org/main/standards-and-regulations/legislation-regulations-and-advocacy/individual-state-licensure>

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Master of Health Science (MHS) in Respiratory Therapy —

The Respiratory Therapy Program (CoARC program number #200281, offering the Bachelor of Health Science degree in Louisville, KY) is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC) (www.coarc.com).

The Respiratory Therapy Program (CoARC program number #220281 offering the Master of Science degree in Louisville, KY) is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (www.coarc.com).

Respiratory therapy licensure contacts by state: <https://www.aarc.org/advocacy/state-society-resources/state-licensure-contacts/>(opens in a new tab)

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