

## **MA, Counseling – Hybrid Program: Licensure Disclosure Statement**

In order to become licensed as a professional counselor, professional clinical counselor, or mental health counselor candidates must complete the degree, program, and/or coursework required by their chosen state. States also have licensing requirements beyond a program's graduation requirements including: post-master's supervised clinical experience, examination(s), background check, and application for license.

At the time of publication, the M.A. Counseling hybrid online program meets degree and coursework requirements in 43 states and the District of Columbia. Minor program modifications may be necessary to meet coursework requirements in Indiana, South Carolina, and Tennessee. Saybrook's hybrid online Counseling program does not meet licensure requirements of Kansas, North Dakota, Rhode Island, or Wisconsin.

The MA Counseling hybrid online program is aligned with the degree and coursework requirements of the California Board of Behavioral Sciences for registration and examination eligibility as a Professional Clinical Counselor (Business and Professions Code section 4999.33). Candidates for licensure must pass the relevant clinical examination and law and ethics examination. Additional post-master's supervised experience is required and candidates must register with BBS as an APCC in order to accrue supervised experience. All candidates are also required to complete the application process, which includes fees and a background check. For further information about Professional Clinical Counselor licensure in California, please visit the [Board of Behavioral Sciences](#).

During the first semester, all Counseling students complete a curriculum map to licensure to assure that they complete the coursework requirements for their state. State professional licensing requirements are subject to change at any time. Students should contact the specific state licensing board directly to verify information regarding professional licensure. A list of state board contact information is available via [The American Counseling Association](#).

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