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Salve Regina University discloses that the **bachelor's degree in social work** will fulfill state/territory educational requirements for professional licenses, as indicated in the Program disclosure below.

Some state licensing boards require additional requirements beyond education, which may include (but are not limited to): Additional post-graduation examinations or experience, application and licensing fees, criminal background checks, reference checks, fingerprint submissions, etc. Continuing education may also be required for maintenance of certification/licensure. Make sure you understand and review any additional requirements prior to enrolling in the program.

State licensing requirements are always subject to change at the discretion of the state licensing board. The University will routinely update this page, but we strongly recommend you inquire with the applicable state board to confirm your eligibility for licensure prior to enrolling in the program. For any questions regarding licensure, please contact the state/territory agency directly.

Licensing requirements vary by state/territory and relocating could impact whether you will meet eligibility requirements for licensure. For any questions about relocation eligibility, contact the agency where you desire licensure before relocating to ensure that you will be eligible for licensure or reciprocity.

Carefully review the educational prerequisites for your intended state/territory of licensure and whether our program meets those requirements for licensure. Use the agency contact information provided below to clarify or confirm any requirements.

If you have questions after reviewing the information provided below, contact your academic advisor. While the University can provide initial guidance, it is ultimately your responsibility to continually check with the state/territory where you intend to seek licensure to confirm all licensing/certification requirements.

The state licensing requirements should indicate if the program curriculum meets the requirements in these states and U.S. territories, does not meet the requirements in these states and U.S. territories or if the program has not yet determined if the curriculum requirements are met for these states and U.S. territories.

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States	State Licensing Board or Department Name and URL	State Licensing Requirements
Alabama	Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners	Meets curriculum requirements; requires immigration compliance
Alaska	State Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy Board	Meets curriculum requirements; requires three professional references
American Samoa	American Samoa Department of Human and Social Services	Undetermined
Arizona	State of Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners	Meets
Arkansas	Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board	Undetermined
California	California Board of Behavioral Sciences	Does not meet - need MSW
Colorado	Colorado State Board of Social Work Examiners	Does not meet - need MSW
Connecticut	Connecticut State Department of Public Health	Does not meet - need MSW
Delaware	Delaware Board of Social Work Examiners	Meets
District of Columbia	Washington DC Health	Meets
Florida	Florida Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage & Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling	Does not meet - need MSW
Georgia	Georgia Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage & Family Therapists	Does not meet - need MSW
Guam	Guam Board of Social Work	Undetermined
Hawaii	Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs Professional & Vocational Licensing Division	Meets
Idaho	Idaho Board of Social Work Examiners	Meets
Illinois	Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation	Meets
Indiana	Indiana Behavioral Health and Human Services Licensing Board	Meets
Iowa	Iowa Department of Public Health Board of Social Work	Meets
Kansas	Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board	Meets curriculum requirements; requires two professional references
Kentucky	Kentucky Board of Social Work	Meets
Louisiana	Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners	Meets
Maine	Maine State Board of Social Worker Licensure	Meets
Maryland	Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners	Meets
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Board of Registration of Social Work	Meets
Michigan	Michigan Board of Social Work	Meets curriculum requirements; requires training in human trafficking; training in implicit bias
Minnesota	Minnesota Board of Social Work	Undetermined
Mississippi	Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Social Workers and Marriage & Family Therapists	Meets curriculum requirements; requires Sex offender check; No history of chemical dependency
Missouri	Missouri Division of Professional Registration Committee for Social Workers	Meets curriculum requirements; requires two hour suicide prevention training
Montana	Montana Board of Behavioral Health	Meets
Nebraska	Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services	Meets
Nevada	State of Nevada Board of Examiners for Social	Meets

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New Hampshire	New Hampshire Board of Mental Health Practice	Does not meet - need MSW
New Jersey	New Jersey State Board of Social Work Examiners	Meets
New Mexico	New Mexico Board of Social Work Examiners	Meets curriculum requirements; requires cultural competency training
New York	New York State Education Department Office of the Professions	Does not meet - need MSW
North Carolina	North Carolina Social Work Certification and Licensure Board	Meets
North Dakota	North Dakota Board of Social Work Examiners	Meets curriculum requirements; requires good standing from faculty advisor
Northern Mariana Islands	Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Board of Professional Licensing	Undetermined
Ohio	Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board	Meets curriculum requirements; requires good standing from faculty advisor
Oklahoma	Oklahoma State Board of Licensed Social Workers	Meets curriculum requirements; requires supervision form on out of state applications
Oregon	Oregon Board of Licensed Social Workers	Meets curriculum requirements; requires passing of the Oregon Statutes and Administrative Rule Exam
Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Professional Counselors	Does not meet - need MSW; Individuals who possess a BSW from a CSWE-accredited college or university who are pursuing an MSW are eligible to apply for a provisional license to practice social work. In addition to a BSW, candidates must also have three years of full-time experience working under the supervision of a master's level social worker.
Puerto Rico	Board of Examiners of Social Work Professionals of Puerto Rico	Undetermined
Rhode Island	State of Rhode Island Department of Health	Does not meet - need MSW
South Carolina	South Carolina Board of Social Work Examiners	Meets
South Dakota	South Dakota Board of Social Work Examiners	Meets curriculum requirements as well as the required two years of field experience
Tennessee	Tennessee Board of Social Workers	Meets
Texas	<u>Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners</u>	Meets
US Virgin Islands	Government of the U.S. Virgin Islands Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs	Undetermined
Utah	Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing	Meets
Vermont	Vermont Office of Professional Regulation	Does not meet - need MSW
Virginia	Virginia Board of Social Work	Meets
Washington	Washington State Board of Health	Does not meet - need MSW
West Virginia	West Virginia Board of Social Work	Meets
Wisconsin	State of Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services	Meets
Wyoming	Wyoming Mental Health Professions Licensing Board	Meets curriculum requirements; requires exam to be taken within 6 months of BSW