Professional Licensure Disclosures For Clinical Psychology at Kent State University

The Consumer Information Disclosures (CID) law which is part of Title 4, Department of Education; 34 CFR 668.43 and 34 CFR §600.9 requires any program that grants a degree used toward professional licensure to provide explicit disclosures as to whether the degree meets the educational requirements for licensure in every US state and territory.

The Clinical Science program in the Department of Psychological Sciences is designed to prepare students for licensure as a Clinical Psychologist in Ohio. Our program’s curriculum is also likely to lead to licensure eligibility in many other states as well. If you intend to pursue licensure outside the State of Ohio, we advise you to contact the applicable state credentialing authority to familiarize yourself with its specific requirements and determine its eligibility criteria. For more information on licensing requirements, including contact information for every state and territory licensing board, please see the Association of State Boards of Professional Psychology (ASBPP) webpage [asppb.net].

There are some features of doctoral training in clinical psychology that make determining whether the degree meets the educational requirements for licensure in every US state and territory complex. For this reason, you may encounter some variability between clinical psychology doctoral programs in how they understand the licensure requirements for each state and whether their curriculum meets the educational requirements for licensure in each state. Sources of complexity include the fact that the accrediting body for Clinical Psychology is the American Psychological Association (APA). The doctoral program in Clinical Psychology at Kent State University is accredited by APA, and APA accreditation is recognized in all 50 states as providing required education for psychology license eligibility. However, in recent years the APA has been transitioning away from a curriculum defined by credit hours in favor of competency-based education. Although most states recognize graduating from an APA-accredited program to be sufficient evidence that the curriculum meets requirements for licensure, some state boards of psychology still list credit-hour requirements for specific topics. In addition to not being aligned with APA accreditation standards, some states may use metrics that can be hard to interpret, such as requirements for a specific number of quarter hours when most universities are on a semester schedule. Also, some state boards of psychology have specific requirements that are not typically covered in an APA-accredited curriculum, such as training in recognizing victims of human trafficking. However, education or training to meet specific requirements could be completed while enrolled in the program at Kent State University (e.g., electives, independent study), in which case the curriculum at Kent State University would meet the requirements for that state. Furthermore, like every APA-approved program in clinical psychology, our program does not lead to licensure immediately upon graduation. This is because, in addition to education requirements for the doctoral degree, many jurisdictions have licensure requirements beyond the curricular requirements. For example, Ohio and many other states require postdoctoral supervised experience (e.g., after graduation), passing a written licensing exam, and passing an oral licensing exam prior to becoming licensed as a clinical psychologist. Therefore, determining whether or not the program at Kent State University meets the curricular requirements for licensure can be complex for the minority of states that do not accept a Ph.D. from an APA-accredited program as sufficient to meet the educational requirement for licensure.

Nevertheless, the professional preparation you receive in our program will assist you in pursuing licensure in Clinical Psychology. During your enrollment in the program, we suggest you visit the website of The Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) at asppb.net, as they post licensure requirements for specific states. They intend to update the information annually. You should review the state educational requirements for licensure for the state or territory in which you
intend to pursue licensure to ensure that you complete any state-specific requirements while enrolled in the program or make plans to complete them following graduation (e.g., continuing education requirements). For more information on licensing requirements, including contact information for every state and territory licensing board, please see the Association of State Boards of Professional Psychology (ASBPP) webpage [asppb.net]. All admitted and enrolled students are provided a state-by-state determination of whether or not our curriculum meets the licensure requirements or whether our curriculum might need to be supplemented by additional educational experiences to meet the licensure requirements. All applicants and prospective applicants are encouraged to review the state-by-state determination below. Finally, please note that completing our program does not lead to licensure immediately upon graduation. This is because, in addition to education requirements for the doctoral degree, many jurisdictions have licensure requirements beyond the curricular requirements. For example, Ohio and many other states require postdoctoral supervised experience (e.g., after graduation), passing a written licensing exam, and passing an oral licensing exam prior to becoming licensed as a clinical psychologist. Still, the professional preparation you receive in our program will assist you in preparation for licensure as a Clinical Psychologist. Our most recent data indicate that 90% of our alumni who graduated between 2009 and 2017 are licensed. Our graduates who did not become licensed typically are in positions that do not require licensure (e.g., teaching faculty positions or research positions). We will do our best to assist you in your career planning.

In the state-by-state disclosure below, we have listed our determination regarding whether the program at Kent State University satisfies the curricular requirements for licensure in each state, along with the website of the State Professional Association or License Authority. Kent State University makes every effort to ensure state licensure or certification information is current; however, state requirements may change. If you are planning to pursue professional licensure or certification, it is strongly recommended that you contact the appropriate licensing entity in that state to seek information and guidance regarding licensure or certification requirements before beginning an academic program.

### State Licensing Boards

**Alabama**

**Board of Examiners in Psychology** [http://psychology.alabama.gov/](http://psychology.alabama.gov/)

Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Alabama educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

**Alaska**

**The Board of Psychologists and Psychological Associate Examiners** [https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofPsychologists.aspx](https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofPsychologists.aspx)

Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Alaska educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

**Arizona**

**Board of Psychologist Examiners** [https://psychboard.az.gov/verification-license](https://psychboard.az.gov/verification-license)

Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Arizona educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.
Arkansas
Psychology Board  https://www.ark.org/abep/index.html
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Arkansas educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

California
Board of Psychology  https://www.psychology.ca.gov/
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA may not meet California educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist, depending on the courses, training, and experiences the student completes while enrolled in the program. Our determination is “Unable to determine,” because we would need additional information about an individual student’s educational record to make the determination. California accepts accredited programs like Kent State University’s program to meet educational degree requirements; but California also requires additional specific coursework or continuing education training prior to licensure. Specifically, CA licensure requires 10 hours of training in human sexuality, 7 hours of training in child abuse assessment, 15 hours in spousal/partner abuse, detection and intervention strategies, 10 hours in aging and long-term care, and 1 semester or 1 quarter term course in alcoholism/chemical dependency detection and treatment. Students wishing to become licensed in California are advised to work with the Kent State University program to tailor their electives to meet these additional training requirements. While Kent State University’s clinical psychology program does not require this content per se, there are many electives at Kent State University and community training events in Ohio that are available for students to assist them in preparing for licensure in California.

Colorado
Department of Regulatory Agencies Division of Professions and Occupations  https://dpo.colorado.gov/Psychology
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology-- accredited by APA--meets Colorado educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist candidate. Psychologist candidate is a pre-exam stepping stone to full psychologist in Colorado.

Connecticut
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Connecticut educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Delaware
Division of Professional Regulation Board of Examiners of Psychologists  https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/psychology/
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Delaware educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

District of Columbia
DC Health Board of Psychology  https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/160282
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology-- accredited by APA--meets District of Columbia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.
Florida
Board of Psychology  https://floridaspsychology.gov/
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology-- accredited by APA--meets Florida educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Georgia
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Georgia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Hawaii
Department of Commerce and Human Affairs Professional & Vocational Licensing Division
Board of Psychology  http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/psychology/
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Hawaii educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Idaho
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology-- accredited by APA--meets Idaho educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Illinois
Clinical Psychologists Licensing and Disciplinary Board
https://www.idfpr.com/profs/Boards/PSY.asp
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Illinois educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Indiana
State Psychology Board  https://www.in.gov/pla/psych.htm
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Indiana educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Iowa
Board of Psychology  https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Psychology
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Iowa educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Kansas
Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board  https://ksbsrb.ks.gov/
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Kansas educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.
Kentucky  
Public Protection Cabinet Office of Occupations and Professions Board of Psychology  
[http://psy.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx](http://psy.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx)  
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Kentucky educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Louisiana  
State Board of Examiners of Psychologists  
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Louisiana educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Maine  
Board of Examiners of Psychologists  
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Maine educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Maryland  
Department of Health Board of Examiners of Psychologists  
[https://health.maryland.gov/psych/Pages/home.aspx](https://health.maryland.gov/psych/Pages/home.aspx)  
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Maryland educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Massachusetts  
Board of Registration of Psychologists  
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Massachusetts educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Michigan  
Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Board of Psychology  
[https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334_72600_72603_27529_27552---,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334_72600_72603_27529_27552---,00.html)  
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA meets Michigan's educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. Michigan accepts accredited programs like Kent State University's program to meet educational degree requirements. However, Michigan also requires additional specific coursework or continuing education training prior to licensure. Specifically, Michigan requires additional training in identifying victims of human trafficking before being approved for licensure. If this was not completed while enrolled at Kent State University, it would need to be completed as continuing education training. See Michigan admin code R.338-2525 for several possibilities that meet this requirement ranging from reading an article to taking a continuing education workshop  
Minnesota

Board of Psychology  https://mn.gov/boards/psychology/
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Minnesota educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Mississippi

Board of Psychology  https://www.psychologyboard.ms.gov/Pages/default.aspx
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Mississippi educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Missouri

Division of Professional Registration Committee of Psychologists  https://pr.mo.gov/psychologists.asp
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Missouri educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Montana

Department of Labor & Industry Board of Psychology  http://boardsbsd.dli.mt.gov/psy
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Montana educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Nebraska

Department of Health & Human Services Psychology  http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Psychology.aspx
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Nebraska educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Nevada

Board of Psychological Examiners  http://psyexam.nv.gov/
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets Nevada educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

New Hampshire

Board of Psychologists  https://wwwoplevel.nh.gov/psychologists/
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets New Hampshire educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

New Jersey

New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs State Board of Psychological Affairs  https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/psy/Pages/default.aspx
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA--meets New Jersey educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. However, NJ requires 6 doctoral credit hours in the following domains: 1) Personality Theory and Human Development Theory; 2) Learning Theory and/or Physiological Psychology; 3) Psychological Measurement and Psychological Assessment; 4) Psychopathology; 5) Psychological therapy/counseling or Industrial/Organizational Psychology; and 6) Research and Statistical Design. Depending on the electives taken, graduates of Kent State University’s program may need additional
credit hours of coursework beyond the minimum requirements in some of these areas (e.g., personality/human development, psychopathology).

New Mexico

Psychologist Examiners  http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Psychologist_Examiners.aspx
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets New Mexico educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

New York

Office of the Professions: Psychology  http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/psych/
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA may not meet New York educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. Our determination is “Unable to determine,” because we would need additional information about an individual student’s educational record to make the determination. New York’s required coursework includes at least three graduate semester hours or five graduate quarter hours in each of the following seven substantive content areas: biological basis of behavior; cognitive-affective basis of behavior; social basis of behavior; individual differences; psychometrics; history and systems of psychology; and research design, methodology, and statistics. Kent State University’s program is aligned with the most up-to-date standards of APA accreditation which does not require coverage of these seven areas in separate courses. Kent State University covers these areas, sometimes by infusing coverage of content areas in multiple courses across the curriculum. We have successfully advocated for our alumni to be eligible for licensure in New York on this basis. Nevertheless, Kent State University program does not require a separate course for each of these content areas. New York does not specify that they accept APA accreditation without additional course review. Therefore, students intending to apply for licensure in New York are advised to work closely with Kent State University Director of Clinical Training to choose electives or independent study available at Kent State University that will meet New York's requirements.

North Carolina

Psychology Board  http://www.ncpsychologyboard.org/
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets North Carolina educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

North Dakota

State Board of Psychology Examiners  http://www.ndsbpe.org/index.html
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA meets North Dakota educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. North Dakota accepts accredited programs like Kent State University's program to meet educational degree requirements. However, North Dakota specifies that telepsych may not replace face to face supervision requirements. During the COVID pandemic, Kent State University is utilizing telepsych to replace many previously in person client and supervision sessions. It is advised that students interested in North Dakota check directly with the North Dakota licensing authority regarding COVID exceptions for telepsych. Kent State University plans to return to face to face services and supervision when it is safe to do so and expects to meet North Dakota requirements at that time even if North Dakota does not make COVID adjustments to its expectations.
Ohio
Board of Psychology  https://psychology.ohio.gov/
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Ohio educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Oklahoma
State Board of Examiners of Psychologists  https://www.ok.gov/psychology/
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Oklahoma educational requirements to apply for licensure as a Practice Under Supervision Psychologist (Institutional or Private Practice). Completion of post-doctoral supervision is required to apply for the psychologist license.

Oregon
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Oregon educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Pacific Territories
Kent State University has not determined whether completion of the doctoral program in clinical psychology – accredited by APA--meets educational requirements to apply for registration or licensure as psychologist in Pacific Territories.

Pennsylvania
State Board of Psychology
https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Psychology/Pages/default.aspx
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Pennsylvania educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Puerto Rico
Kent State University has not determined whether completion of the doctoral program in clinical psychology – accredited by APA--meets educational requirements to apply for registration or licensure as psychologist in Puerto Rico.

Rhode Island
Department of Health: Psychology  https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=241
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Rhode Island educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

South Carolina
Labor Licensing Regulation Board of Examiners in Psychology  https://llr.sc.gov/psych/
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets South Carolina educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

South Dakota
Board of Examiners of Psychologists  https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/psych/psych.aspx
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets South Dakota educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.
Tennessee
Department of Health: Board of Examiners of Psychology  https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/psychology-board.html
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Tennessee educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Texas
Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists  https://www.tsbep.texas.gov/
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology-accredited accredited by APA meets Texas educational requirements to apply for licensure as a provisional psychologist. Provisional Psychologist is a pre-requisite to full psychologist in Texas.

Utah
Department of Commerce Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing: Psychology  https://dopl.utah.gov/psych/
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Utah educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

U.S. Virgin Islands
Board of Psychology Examiners  http://usvipsychologyboard.com/
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets U.S. Virgin Islands educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Vermont
Board of Psychological Examiners  https://governor.vermont.gov/boards_and_commissions/psychological_examiners
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Vermont educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Virginia
Department of Health Professions Board of Psychology  https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Psychology/
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Virginia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Washington
Examining Board of Psychology  https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/Psychologist/BoardInformation
Completion of Kent State University’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Washington educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

West Virginia
Board of Examiners of Psychologists  https://psychbd.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets West Virginia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.
Wisconsin
Department of Safety and Professional Services: Psychologist
https://dps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/Psychologist/Default.aspx
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Wisconsin educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Wyoming
Wyoming Mental Health Professions Licensing Board  https://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/home
Completion of Kent State University's doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA--meets Wyoming educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.