

Memorandum

March 23, 2020

From: Director of Online & Continuing Education
To: Academic Department Chair
Academic Dean
Associate VPAA

Subj: PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION DISCLOSURE

Please review the Professional Licensure/Certification requirements for School Counselor () in the state of Georgia below. At the end of the document, please indicate if NSU Counseling: Clinical Mental Health Counseling (MSEd) and School Counseling (MSEd) degree/certificate program(s) meets or do not meet these pre-education requirements.

State	Georgia
Professional Licensure/Certification Title	School Counselor
Professional Licensure/Certification Short Title/Acronym	
PLC Agency	Georgia Professional Standards Commission
PLC Agency Address (Address)	200 Piedmont Avenue SE
PLC Agency Address (Address2)	Suite 1702, West Tower
PLC Agency Address (City), (State, Zip Code)	Atlanta GA 30334-9032
PLC Agency Contact Name	
PLC Agency Point of Contact Title	
PLC Agency Contact Phone	(404) 232-2500
PLC Agency Contact Email	
PLC Agency Website URL	https://www.gapsc.com/Certification/EmailPSC.aspx
Link to Rules/Regulations/Statutes	https://www.gapsc.com/Rules/Current/Certification/505-2-.144.pdf
Link to Agency Regulations	https://www.gapsc.com/Certification/CertFieldsAndEndorsements/service.aspx
Parent Agency Name	
Reciprocity Agreement?	Other
Is the PLC Agency a member of a Reciprocity or Regional/National Compact	Individual application
Does the PLC Agency require educational institutions be approved in the state where the individual will apply for PLC?	No

URL for approval process information	
Accreditation required for Degree-Granting Institutions	Yes - Regional (HLC, SACS, MSCHE, etc.)
Degree Requirements to be eligible for Professional Licensure/Certification	Master Degree
The PLC Agency requires specific type of Education Hours to be eligible for PLC	
Total Credit Hours above/Post Education Hours Required to be eligible for PLC	Not specified
Specific Education Undergraduate Requirements	
Specific Education Graduate Requirements	<p>1. Prior to becoming a Georgia educator, an individual is eligible for a Standard Professional certificate in the field of School Counseling based on meeting the following requirements: (i) Meet one of the following options: (I) Completion of a state-approved certification preparation program in School Counseling at the master's degree level - level five (5) - or higher. (II) Completion of a master's degree or higher in a counseling area and submission of a valid National Certified School Counselor (NCSC) credential issued by the National Board of Certified Counselors. (III) Completion of a master's degree or higher in a counseling area and submission of a valid State of Georgia Professional Counselor's license issued by the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Office of the Secretary of State, O.C.G.A. Title 43.</p>

Does the PLC Agency regulate Post-Licensure/Certification programs?	
Advanced Degree PLC Information	
URL to agency responsible for approving Post Education Licensure degree programs	
Does PLC Agency approval of a program for an advanced degree indicate eligibility to practice in that capacity	Yes
Agency Name and URL responsible for determining eligibility to practice	
What additional PLC Agency/State requirements must be met in order to practice in that capacity	
PLC Agency requires faculty/instructors to be licensed in the Licensing/Certification state to teach	
Does PLC Agency require Practicum/Internships/Field Work/Clinicals (PIFWC)?	
PIFWC Required to be eligible for PLC	Not specified
PIFWC Requirement Details	Not specified
Does the PLC Agency or State require prior notification for PIFWC	No
Do Clinical instructors need to be licensed to supervise PIFWC?	
PIFWC hours	
PIFWC setting	
PIFWC period	
PIFWC Supervisor requirements/qualifications	
Examinations Required	Yes
1. Examination Title	Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators (GACE)
2. Examination Title	
3. Examination Title	
4. Examination Title	
5. Examination Title	
6. Examination Title	
7. Examination Title	
8. Examination Title	
9. Examination Title	

10. Examination Title	
PLC Agency Requires:	

The NSU Counseling: Clinical Mental Health Counseling (MSEd) and School Counseling (MSEd) program(s).

- Meets Georgia School Counselor () PLC pre-education requirements.
- DOES NOT meet Georgia School Counselor () PLC pre-education requirements.
- Additional information is needed to make determination:

Georgia School Counselor () PLC pre-education requirements reviewed by Northern State University Academics .

Department Chair Review:

APPROVAL CHAIR 03/24/20

Dean Review:

APPROVAL DEAN 03/25/20

Associate VPAA Review:

APPROVAL GRAD/VPAA 03/27/20

Website disclosure pages updated.

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