

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Professional Licensure Disclosure

The Hawai'i Pacific University Bachelor of Science in Nursing program prepares students to apply for a Registered Nurse license and sit for the NCLEX. The national licensing agency is the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN). The two types of exams are NCLEX-RN and NCLEX-PN. Graduation from the program does not guarantee licensure.

The requirements to obtain an RN license differ by state. A "Yes" in the second column indicates that the program meets the *educational* requirements in that state. Each state may have multiple requirements that must be met. For the states in which you plan to practice, please go to the state board of nursing website to review the licensure requirements. Because the licensure requirements are subject to change, it is essential that all prospective licensees visit the state board of nursing website on a regular basis for updated information.

State/ District	Does the Program Meet the Educational Requirements? (Yes, No, Cannot Determine)	Requirements for RN License Application	State Board of Nursing Website
Alabama	Yes	Nursing Program graduation; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.abn.alabama.gov/
Alaska	Yes	Completion of Nursing Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/professionallicensing/boardofnursing.aspx
Arizona	No	Diploma, Associate's, Bachelor's in Nursing; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.azbn.gov/
Arkansas	Yes	Completion of Nursing Education Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	http://www.arsbn.org/
California	Cannot Determine	Nursing Degree; Pass NCLEX Exam	http://www.rn.ca.gov/
Colorado	Yes	Completion of Nursing Degree; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.colorado.gov/dora/Nursing
Connecticut	Yes	Completion of Nursing Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/APRN/APRN-Licensure-Requirements
Delaware	Yes	Completion of Nursing Education Program with a min 400 Clinical Hours; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/nursing/
District of Columbia	No	Completion of Nursing Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/323062
Florida	Yes	Graduation from approved Nursing Education Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://floridasnursing.gov/
Georgia	Yes	Graduation from approved Prelicensure Education Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://sos.ga.gov/cgi-bin/plbforms.asp?board=38
Hawai'i	Yes	Completion of Nursing Education Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/nursing/

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Idaho	Yes	Graduation from state-approved school of nursing; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://ibn.idaho.gov/licensure/licensing-information/
Illinois	Yes	Completion of Nursing Education Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.idfpr.com/profs/nursing.asp
Indiana	Yes	Completion of Nursing Education Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.in.gov/pla/
Iowa	Yes	Graduation from board-approved RN or LPN nursing program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://nursing.iowa.gov/
Kansas	Yes	Completion of approved nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://ksbn.kansas.gov/
Kentucky	Yes	Completion of Program of Nursing; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://kbn.ky.gov/Pages/committees.aspx
Louisiana	No	Completion of Nursing Education Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	http://www.lsbm.state.la.us/
Maine	Yes	Completion of Nursing Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.maine.gov/boardofnursing/
Maryland	No	Completion of nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://mbon.maryland.gov/Pages/default.aspx
Massachusetts	Yes	Graduate from board approved nursing program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-in-nursing
Michigan	Yes	Graduate from approved nursing school; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334_72600_72603_27529_27542-59003--,00.html
Minnesota	Yes	Completion of Nursing Program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://mn.gov/boards/nursing/
Mississippi	Yes	Graduate from nursing program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.msbn.ms.gov/
Missouri	Yes	Graduation from nursing program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://pr.mo.gov/nursing.asp
Montana	Yes	Complete all education requirement of an approved nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/nursing/
Nebraska	Yes	Graduation from nursing program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Nurse-Licensing.aspx
Nevada	Yes	Graduation from nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://nevadanursingboard.org/
New Hampshire	No	Completion of nursing school program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.oplc.nh.gov/new-hampshire-board-nursing

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New Jersey	Yes	Completion of nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/nur/Pages/default.aspx
New Mexico	Yes	Complete approved nurse education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://nmbon.sks.com/
New York	No	Complete New York State Coursework; Complete nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/nurse/
North Carolina	Yes	Complete Board approved RN or LPN nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.ncbon.com/
North Dakota	No	Completed approved nursing education program that includes supervised clinical experience across the life span and is equivalent to ND approved program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.ndbon.org/
Ohio	Yes	Completion of nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://nursing.ohio.gov/
Oklahoma	Yes	Completion of nurse education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	http://nursing.ok.gov/
Oregon	No	Complete nursing school program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.oregon.gov/osbn/Pages/index.aspx
Pennsylvania	Yes	Completion of board approved RN nursing program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Nursing/Pages/default.aspx
Rhode Island	Yes	Completion of nursing school program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://health.ri.gov/licenses/
South Carolina	Yes	Completion of nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://lir.sc.gov/nurse/
South Dakota	Yes	Complete approved nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://doh.sd.gov/boards/nursing/
Tennessee	No	Completion of nurse education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/nursing-board/nursing-board/about.html
Texas	Cannot Determine	Graduation from approved school or nursing; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.bon.texas.gov/
Utah	Yes	Graduate from approved nursing program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://dopl.utah.gov/nurse/
Vermont	Yes	Complete nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://sos.vermont.gov/nursing/
Virginia	Yes	Complete state approved nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Nursing/

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Washington	Cannot Determine	Complete nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/NursingCommission
West Virginia	Yes	Complete approved nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://wvrnboard.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx
Wisconsin	No	Graduate from approved school of nursing; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://dsps.wi.gov/pages/BoardsCouncils/Nursing/Default.aspx
Wyoming	Yes	Graduate from board approved nursing education program; Pass NCLEX Exam	https://wsbn.wyo.gov/