

Dordt University Master of Social Work (M.S.W.)

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Dordt University prepares students for certification and licensure within the state of Iowa. Students may want to attain certification within a different state according to their residence. States may vary in their licensure requirements. Below are the determinations Dordt University has found for each state in which our program meets the educational requirements for professional licensure. Three options are indicated, meeting the certification requirements, do not meet the requirements, or no determination has been made. Dordt University is accredited by the higher Learning Commission. Dordt University has accredited programs in nursing, education, social work and engineering as well. Dordt University's MSW has entered candidacy with the council on Social Work Education (CSWE) and will be fully accredited by February 2023. Accreditation status will then be retroactively applied to all who graduate from the program before it is fully accredited.

State:	Dordt University educational requirements meets state licensure requirements:	State agency for more information:	Additional information:
Alabama	Yes	https://www.socialwork.alabama.gov/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed.
Alaska	Yes	https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/SocialWorkExaminers.aspx	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university.
Arizona	Yes	http://www.azbbhe.us/node/827	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university.
Arkansas	Yes	https://www.arkansas.gov/swlb/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university.
California	Yes, with additional work	https://www.bbs.ca.gov/applicants/lcsw.html	Steps to becoming a LCSW: 1. Earn a CSWE-accredited MSW. 2. Complete additional required coursework on child abuse,

			<p>human sexuality, alcoholism, aging, partner abuse, and suicide risk. 3. Complete 3,000 total supervised social work hours over a minimum of 104 weeks. 4. Apply for licensure. https://www.bbs.ca.gov/applicants/lcsw.html</p>
Colorado	Yes, with additional work	https://dpo.colorado.gov/Social Work/Applications	<p>Steps to becoming a LCSW: 1. Complete CSWE-accredited MSW degree. 2. Completed postgraduate supervised experience. 3. Complete a health care professional's profile. 4. Pass the jurisprudence examination. 5. Apply for the ASWB exam. 6. Submit required materials and application.</p> <p>Steps to becoming a LSW: 1. Complete CSWE-accredited MSW degree. 2. Pass the jurisprudence examination. 3. Apply for the ASWB exam. 4. Submit required materials and application.</p>
Connecticut	Yes	https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/Socialworker/Social-Work-Licensure	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed.
Delaware	Yes	https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/socialworkers/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed.

Florida	Yes, with additional work	https://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/licensing/licensed-clinical-social-worker/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. 24 semester hours or 32 quarter hours in theory of human behavior and practice methods as courses in clinically oriented services, including a minimum of one course in psychopathology, an eight-hour laws and rules (jurisprudence) course and a two-hour prevention of medical errors course. Field experience needed.
Georgia	Yes	https://sos.ga.gov/index.php/licensing/plb/43	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed.
Hawaii	Yes	http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/socialworker/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed.
Idaho	Unsure determination made	https://dopl.idaho.gov/	Education requirement: MSW from any university approved by the Idaho State Board of Occupational Licenses. Field experience needed.
Illinois	Yes	https://www.idfpr.com/profs/SocialWorker.asp	Education requirement: MSW from a an accredited university approved by the US Department of Education. Field experience needed for LISW.
Indiana	Yes	https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/behavioral-health-and-human-services-licensing-board/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited

			university. Field experience needed for LISW.
Iowa	Yes	https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Social-Work	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LISW.
Kansas	Yes	https://ksbsrb.ks.gov/professions/social-workers	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LSCSW.
Kentucky	Yes	https://bsw.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx	Education requirement: MSW from a educational institution approved by the board. Field experience needed for LCSW.
Louisiana	Yes	https://www.labswe.org/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LSCSW.
Maine	Yes	https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/state-board-social-worker-licensure	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience and three professional recommendations needed for LSCSW.
Maryland	Yes	https://www.humanservicesedu.org/maryland-social-work-requirements/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LSCSW.
Massachusetts	Unsure determination made	https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-social-workers	Offers 4 levels of licensure, each offer differing requirements.
Michigan	Yes	https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited

		89334_72600_72603_27529_27554---,00.html	university. Field experience needed for LCSW.
Minnesota	Yes	https://mn.gov/boards/social-work/	A graduate degree in social work from a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education. Field experience needed for LICSW and LGSW.
Mississippi	Yes	https://www.swmft.ms.gov/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW.
Missouri	Yes	https://pr.mo.gov/socialworkers.asp	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LAMSW.
Montana	Yes	https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/behavioral-health/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW.
Nebraska	Yes	https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Mental-Health-and-Social-Work-Practice.aspx	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for CMSW.
Nevada	Yes	https://socwork.nv.gov/Licensees/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed.
New Hampshire	Yes	https://www.oplc.nh.gov/new-hampshire-board-nursing	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed.
New Jersey	Unsure determination made	https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/sw/Pages/default.aspx	A master's degree in social work from a program currently accredited by CSWE, For the

			LCSW - includes 12 semester hours of graduate-level courses required in any of the following areas: human behavior and the social environment; diagnosis and assessment; models of psychotherapy or clinical practice; clinical supervision and consultation; and/or intervention with special populations. Field experience needed. For the LSW – MSW from a CSWE-accredited educational program.
New Mexico	Yes	https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards-and-commissions/individual-boards-and-commissions/social-work/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LISW.
New York	Yes, with additional work	http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/sw/	There are two types of licensure, LMSW and LCSW, both require MSW from accredited educational program by CSWE. NY also requires applicants to complete training related to identification and reporting of child abuse from and approved training provider. For LCSW must have 36 months of supervised social work practice.
North Carolina	Yes	https://ncswboard.gov/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW.

North Dakota	Yes	https://www.ndbswe.com/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LICSW.
Ohio	Yes	https://cswmft.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/cswmft/get-licensed/social-workers/lsw%2Blicense%2Binstructions	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university.
Oklahoma	Yes	https://www.ok.gov/socialworkers/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW.
Oregon	Yes	https://www.oregon.gov/BLSW/Pages/index.aspx	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW.
Pennsylvania	Yes	https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/SocialWorkersMarriageanFamilyTherapistsandProfessionalCounselors/Pages/default.aspx	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW.
Rhode Island	Yes	https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=245	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LICSW.
South Carolina	Yes	https://llr.sc.gov/sw/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LISW-AP and LISW-CP.
South Dakota	Yes	https://dss.sd.gov/errorpage.aspx?aspxerrorpath=/licensingboards/social.aspx	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited

			university. Field experience needed for CSW-PIP.
Tennessee	Yes	https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/sw-board.html	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW and LAPSW.
Texas	Yes	https://www.dshs.texas.gov/consumerprotection/transition.aspx	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW or LMSW-AP. Also need to take the Texas Jurisprudence Exam.
Utah	Yes	https://dopl.utah.gov/soc/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW.
Vermont	Yes	https://sos.vermont.gov/social-workers/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW.
Virginia	Yes	http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/social/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW and LSW.
Washington	Yes	https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/SocialWorker	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LICSW and LASW.
West Virginia	Yes	https://www.wvsocialworkboard.org/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW and LICSW.
Wisconsin	Yes	https://naswwi.socialworkers.org/	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited

			university. Field experience needed for LCSW and CISW.
Wyoming	Yes	https://ai.wyo.gov/divisions/directors-office/licensing	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LCSW.
Washington D.C.	Yes	https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/323012	Education requirement: MSW from a CSWE-accredited university. Field experience needed for LISW and LICSW.