

State Program	Does Briar Cliff University's BSW major meet licensure requirements?	Explanatory Notes	Contact Phone	Licensing or State Board website URL	Contact Email
Alabama	Meets	Apply through state board as long as a minimum of an Accredited Bachelor of Social Work degree. Submit a supervised statement of understanding, which explains that LBSW's are required to complete at least 4-hrs. per month of Supervision for 24 months - totaling 96 hrs. of required supervision. Pass the ASWB exam. Receive License.	(334) 242-5860 / (888) 879-3672	https://socialwork.alabama.gov/applications-and-forms/paper-applications-and-forms/	https://socialwork.alabama.gov/
Alaska	Meets	Licensed baccalaureate social worker (LBSW): A person with an accredited bachelor's degree in social work who has passed the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) bachelor's exam. Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (BSW) in Alaska Becoming an LBSW allows you to practice non-clinical social work and accept positions in client advocacy or case management after receiving licensure. Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work degree Field Requirements: None Exams: ASWB bachelor's exam License Renewal: 45 hours of professional development in continuing education	(907) 465-2550	https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/SocialWorkExaminers.aspx	SocialWorkExaminers@Alaska.Gov
Arizona	Meets	One Year minimum Proof of Arizona residency required or Three Years minimum Endorsement. Three levels: LBSW, LMSW and LCSW Iowa meets first level LBSW: 1. Complete the LBSW Application which includes providing a copy of your driver's license or other valid ID, official transcripts from your undergraduate institution and employment history. Fees include a \$250 nonrefundable application fee, a \$40 payment for fingerprint processing and a \$50 payment for a temporary license (if eligible). 2. Undergo a Criminal Background Check 3. Pass the ASWB Examination	(602) 542-1882	http://www.azbbhe.us	information@azbbhe.us
Arkansas	Meets	Obtain a bachelor's degree in social work and a social work license, depending on what career path you choose. Arkansas offers three types of social work licenses. There may also be additional requirements, such as a background check and clinical supervision, based on your goals. To become a licensed social worker in Arkansas, you will have to complete a Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) or Master of Social Work (MSW) degree program accredited by the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE). Fulfill your social work supervised experience requirement and pass your national/state exams. Three levels: LSW, LMSW, LCSW. Once you've completed your hours and experience, you may apply to become a licensed social worker in Arkansas.	(501) 372-5071	http://www.arkansas.gov/swlb	swlb@arkansas.gov
California	The state does not license at the BSW level.	The two social work licenses offered in California require a Master of Social Work (MSW) from an accredited school.	(916) 574-7830	http://www.bbs.ca.gov	https://www.bbs.ca.gov/
Colorado	The state does not license at the BSW level.	Before becoming a social worker in Colorado, you must obtain a master's level education in social work and a social work license depending on what career path you choose. Colorado offers two types of licensure as a social worker: licensed social worker (LSW) and licensed clinical social worker (LCSW). There may also be additional requirements such as a background check and clinical supervision based on your goals.	(303) 894-7800	https://dpo.colorado.gov/SocialWork	dora_dpo_licensing@state.co.us
Connecticut	Meets	To be a social worker in Connecticut, you must obtain an associate or bachelor's degree in social work to become a generalist. More advanced social work requires a license, depending on what career path you choose. Connecticut offers two types of social work licenses. To become a licensed social worker in Connecticut, you will have to complete a BSW or Master of Social Work (MSW) program accredited by the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE). Connecticut has two levels of social workers, according to the state's licensing board, with increasing requirements: Licensed master social worker (LMSW): A person with an accredited master's degree in social work that has passed the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) External link: open_in_new master's exam. Licensed independent clinical social worker (LCSW): A person with an accredited master's or doctorate degree in social work that has passed the ASWB clinical exam. Those looking to attain this license must have also earned 3,000 hours of supervised social work experience. Once you've completed your hours and experience, you may apply to become a licensed social worker in Connecticut.	(860) 509-8000	https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/Socialworker/Social-Work-Licensure	askdph@ct.gov
Delaware	Meets	Licensed bachelor social worker (LBSW): A person with an accredited bachelor's degree in social work or a related field who has passed the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB). Those looking to pursue this license must also complete at least one year of professional experience. Once you've completed your hours and experience, you may apply to become a licensed social worker in Delaware. Licensed Bachelor Social Worker (LBSW) in Delaware Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work or related degree Field Requirements: One year of professional experience Exams: ASWB Bachelor's Exam License Renewal: Every two years, with 20 hours of continuing education	(302) 744-4500	https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/socialworkers/examinations/	customerservice.dpr@delaware.gov
Florida	The state does not license at the BSW level.	To become a licensed social worker in Florida, you will have to complete a CSWE-accredited Master of Social Work (MSW) program. All three licenses offered in Florida require an MSW degree: certified master social worker, registered clinical social worker intern, and licensed clinical social worker.	(850) 245-4111	http://floridamentalhealthprofessions.gov	http://floridamentalhealthprofessions.gov
Georgia	The state does not license at the BSW level.	In Georgia, you must obtain a master's-level education in social work and a social work license before you can be a SW.	(404) 237-9225	https://sos.ga.gov/licensing-division-georgia-secretary-states-office	admin@gscsw.org

Hawaii	Meets	BA and License, plus active three year license in good standing.	(808) 586-3000	http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/programs/socialworker	pvl@dcca.hawaii.gov
Idaho	Meets	Before becoming a social worker in Idaho, you must earn a bachelor's degree in social work and a social work license depending on what career path you choose. Idaho offers three types of social work licenses. There may also be additional requirements such as a background check and clinical supervision based on your goals.	(208) 334-3233	http://ibol.idaho.gov/IBOL/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=SWO	SWO@dopl.idaho.gov
Illinois	The state does not license at the BSW level.	Education requirements: Completion of a CSWE-accredited MSW or DSW program is required prior to examination. Field requirements: For applicants with a master's degree, 3,000 hours of supervised clinical professional experience. For applicants with a doctorate in social work, 2,000 hours. Exam: Association of Social Work Boards clinical examination	(888) 473-4858	https://www.idfpr.com/profs/socialworker.asp	http://ibol.idaho.gov/IBOL/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=SWO
Indiana	Meets	Becoming an LBSW means that you'll be able to practice bachelor's-level, non-clinical social work under supervision. Complete a bachelor's or master's degree in social work from a CSWE-accredited program. Document two years of supervised work experience by a licensed social worker or a licensed clinical social worker. Pass the ASWB exam at the appropriate level (bachelor's, master's, or clinical). Pass the state's jurisprudence exam.	(317) 232-2960	https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/behavioral-health-and-human-services/behavioral-health-and-human-services-licensing-information/	https://www.idfpr.com/profs/socialworker.asp
Iowa	Meets	To become a licensed social worker in IA, you need to obtain at least a bachelor's degree in SW from an accredited college by the CSWE. Receive a passing score on the designated Association of SW Boards (ASWB) exam for the type of licensure you are seeking. Apply for Licensure in Iowa at the IA Board of SW website. Complete a board-approved application packet. Register w/ both the ASWB for the exam, and w/ the State of IA, Division of Public Health-IA Board of SW, for the license.	(515) 281-0254	https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Social-Work	plpublic@idph.iowa.gov
Kansas	Meets	Licensed Bachelor Social Worker (LBSW) in Kansas: Becoming an LBSW allows you to practice general, non-clinical social work in Kansas under the supervision of an LCSW. Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work Degree Field Requirements: None Exams: ASWB Bachelor's Exam License Renewal: 40 hours of professional development in continuing education	(785) 296-3240	http://ksbsrb.ks.gov/	bsrb@ks.gov
Kentucky	Meets	Licensed Social Worker (LSW) in Kentucky: Becoming an LSW means that you'll be able to practice non-clinical social work and clinical social work under Board-licensed supervision. Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work Degree Field Requirements: None Exams: ASWB Bachelor's Exam License Renewal: 40 hours of professional development in continuing education	(502) 564-2350	http://bsw.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx	Contact Us - Kentucky Board of Social Work
Louisiana	Meets	Registered Social Worker (RSW) in Louisiana: Becoming an RSW means that you'll be able to practice general social work services without supervision but must work in an organization or agency. Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work degree Field Requirements: None Exams: None License Renewal: 20 hours of professional development in continuing education. While you may practice entry-level social work with a BSW, the Louisiana Board requires an MSW or DSW to practice more specialized social work.	(225) 756-3470	http://www.labswe.org/	socialwork@labswe.org
Maine	Meets	Maine offers five types of SW Licenses. Licensed Social Worker, Conditional (LSX), Licensed Social Worker (LS), Licensed Master Social Worker (LM), Licensed Master Social Worker, Conditional Clinical (MC) and Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LC). While you may practice entry-level social work under the title of "social worker" with a bachelor's degree, the Maine Board requires an MSW to practice more specialized social work. LSX-Becoming an LSX allows non-BSWs to practice supervised, non-clinical social work to ultimately qualify candidates for a full LS license. Education Requirement: Bachelor's degree Field Requirements: None Exams: None License Renewal: 25 hours of professional development in continuing education. LS-Becoming an LS allows you to practice entry-level non-clinical social work. The first 3,200 hours under licensure must be supervised. Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work degree Field Requirements: None Exams: ASWB bachelor's exam License Renewal: 25 hours of professional development in continuing education.	(207) 624-8500	https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professionals/state-board-social-worker-licensure	Socwkr.board@maine.gov
Maryland	Meets	Social Work Licenses in Maryland: In order to become a social worker in Maryland, you must have proper licensure. There are four social work licenses in Maryland, with an ascending level of requirements, according to the state's department of health External link:open_in_new. Licensure can be earned by examination or endorsement. If you haven't passed a social work licensure exam yet, you'll be required to apply for licensure by examination. If you have previous social work experience or are already licensed in another state, you may be eligible for licensure by endorsement. Licensed Bachelor Social Worker (LBSW): Education Requirements: A bachelor's degree in social work from a CSWE-accredited program Field Requirements: None Exam: ASWB bachelor's exam License Renewal: Every two years, with continuing education documentation.	(410) 767-6500 or (877) 463-3464	https://health.maryland.gov/bswe/Pages/default.aspx	Maryland Department of Health MDH Contact Us

Massachusetts	Meets	<p>Social Work Licenses in Massachusetts: Licensed Social Work Associate (LSWA) in Massachusetts. An LSWA may practice under supervision of a social worker who is an LICSW, LCSW or LSW with one hour per week of face-to-face supervision. LSWA may help with obtaining information from clients, assist in individual or group therapy and gather data for research. Education Requirements: Associate degree in social work or related field OR bachelor's degree in any field OR minimum of 1,000 hours of education in social work theory and methods approved by the board.</p> <p>Field Requirements: None</p> <p>Exam: Associate Level ASWB Exam</p> <p>Fees: \$173</p> <p>License Renewal: Biennially for \$42. LSWs in Massachusetts may provide non-clinical services under supervision of an LICSW or LCSW with one hour per week of face-to-face supervision. LSWs may also provide case management services, administrative support, consultations on non-clinical issues and tasks an LSWA may perform. Education Requirements: Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) from a CSWE-accredited program OR bachelors' in any field OR two or less years of college with hourly experiences.</p> <p>Field Requirements: There are no field requirements for applicants who hold a BSW degree. However, for all others, supervised hourly requirements are as follows:</p> <p>Bachelor degree holder in any field: two years or 3,500 hours post-degree experience</p> <p>Two and a half years of college: five years or 8,750 hours</p> <p>Two years of college: six years or 10,500 hours</p> <p>One year of college: eight years or 14,000 hours</p> <p>High school diploma/equivalent: 10 years or 17,500 hours</p> <p>Exam: Bachelors Level ASWB Exam</p> <p>Fees: \$173</p> <p>License Renewal: Biennially for \$54.</p>	(617) 624-6161	http://www.mass.gov/ocabr/ licensee/dpl-boards/sw/	swboard@mass.gov
Michigan	Meets	<p>The bachelor's social work license allows a licensee to engage in the practice of social work at the bachelor's level. Bachelor's Social Work License by Exam or Endorsement: \$99.00. Michigan's social work licenses are set up in such a way that for each level, there is a limited level preceding it during which an individual accrues field experience hours. Information below was retrieved from Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) – Michigan Board of Social Work.</p>	(517) 241-7500	http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-72600_72603_27529_27554--,00.html	BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov
Minnesota	Meets	<p>Minnesota has four types of licenses for social workers: licensed social worker (LSW), licensed graduate social worker (LGSW), licensed independent social worker (LISW), and licensed independent clinical social worker (LICSW). While you may practice entry-level social work with a BSW, the Minnesota Board requires an MSW or DSW to practice more specialized social work. All information on LSW, LGSW, LISW and LICSW below was retrieved from the State Board of Social Work. Licensed Social Worker (LSW) in Minnesota-Becoming an LSW means you'll be able to practice non-clinical social work. Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work degree</p> <p>Field Requirements: None</p> <p>Exams: ASWB bachelor's exam</p> <p>License Renewal: 40 hours of professional development in continuing education.</p>	(612) 617-2100 or (888) 234-1320	http://mn.gov/boards/social-work/	social.work@state.mn.us
Mississippi	Meets	<p>Before becoming a social worker in Mississippi you must obtain a bachelor's degree in social work and a social work license. (Three types). Licensed Social Worker (LSW) in Mississippi</p> <p>Becoming an LSW allows you to practice general social work under the supervision of an LMSW or LCSW.</p> <p>Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work degree</p> <p>Field Requirements: None</p> <p>Exams: ASWB bachelor's exam</p> <p>License Renewal: 40 hours of professional development in continuing education.</p>	(601) 987-6806	http://www.swmft.ms.gov/	info@swmft.ms.gov
Missouri	Meets	<p>Missouri has four types of licenses for social workers: Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (LBSW). Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (LBSW) in Missouri</p> <p>Becoming an LBSW allows you to practice general, non-clinical social work under the supervision of an advanced social worker.</p> <p>Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work Degree</p> <p>Field Requirements: None</p> <p>Exams: ASWB Bachelor's Exam</p> <p>License Renewal: 40 hours of professional development in continuing education.</p>	(573) 751-0885	http://pr.mo.gov/socialworkers.asp	lcsw@pr.mo.gov lmsw@pr.mo.gov lbsw@pr.mo.gov
Montana	The state does not license at the BSW level.	<p>Before becoming a social worker in Montana, you must obtain a master's degree in social work and a social work license. Montana offers one type of social work license. Social Work Licenses in Montana</p> <p>In Montana, social work licenses are issued by the Montana Board of Behavioral Health External link: open_in_new. The board issues only one type of license. Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) in Montana</p> <p>Education Requirement: Master of Social Work degree</p> <p>Field Requirements: 3,000 hours of supervised professional experience</p> <p>Exams: ASWB clinical exam</p> <p>License Renewal: Every year, with 20 hours of continuing education</p>	(406) 444-6880	https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/behavioral-health/licensing-information/licensed-baccalaureate-social-worker	DLIBSDHELP@MT.GOV
Nebraska	The state does not license at the BSW level.	<p>To identify as a licensed social worker in Nebraska, you will have to complete a master's or doctoral degree program in social work accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). According to Nebraska's Department of Health and Human Services, anyone may provide social work services without certification or licensure, but to be able to represent yourself as a social worker in Nebraska, you must pursue licensure and certification. In order to obtain higher level licenses in Nebraska, however, a minimum of a Master of Social Work (MSW) is required.</p>	(402) 471-3121 or (402) 471-2781 or (800) 942-1171	http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Mental-Health-and-Social-Work-Practice.aspx	https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/behavioral-health/licensing-information/licensed-baccalaureate-social-worker

Nevada	Meets	<p>Before becoming a social worker in Nevada, you must earn a bachelor's degree in social work and a social work license depending on what career path you choose. Nevada offers four types of social work licenses. Licensed Social Worker (LSW) in Nevada</p> <p>Becoming an LSW allows you to practice general, non-clinical social work as part of an agency or organization.</p> <p>Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work degree</p> <p>Field Requirements: None</p> <p>Exams: ASWB bachelor's exam</p> <p>License Renewal: 30 hours of professional development in continuing education.</p>	(775) 688-2555	http://socwork.nv.gov/	socwork@besw.nv.gov
New Hampshire	The state does not license at the BSW level.	<p>Before becoming a social worker in New Hampshire, you must earn a master's degree in social work and a social work license. In New Hampshire, social work licenses are issued by the New Hampshire Board of Mental Health Practice</p> <p>External link: open_in_new. The board offers only one type of license for social workers.</p> <p>Licensed independent clinical social worker (LICSW) in New Hampshire</p> <p>Education Requirement: Master or Doctor of Social Work degree</p> <p>Field Requirements: Two years of supervised clinical experience, with at least 3,000 hours of experience and 100 hours of individual supervision</p> <p>Exams: ASWB clinical exam</p> <p>License Renewal: Every two years, with 40 hours of continuing education, six of which must be in ethics.</p>	(603) 271-2152 or (800) 735-2964	https://www.oplc.nh.gov/board-mental-health-practice	CustomerSupport@oplc.nh.gov
New Jersey	The state does not license at the BSW level.	<p>No Bachelor degree level license. All social work education requirements in NJ should be accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). To become a certified social worker (CSW) in NJ, a Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) degree is required for application. To become a licensed social worker (LSW) or licensed clinical social worker (LCSW) a Master of Social Work (MSW) degree is required. The path to an education in social work in New Jersey can vary. There are many social work degrees to choose from. Certified Social Worker (CSW) in New Jersey.</p> <p>A certified social worker (CSW) in New Jersey can provide social work services including assessment, administration, client-centered advocacy, consultation and counseling, planning and community organization, research and policy.</p> <p>Education Requirements: BSW from a CSWE-accredited program, or one in candidacy</p> <p>Field Requirements: None</p> <p>Exam: None</p> <p>License Renewal: Every two year.</p>	(973) 504-6200 or in NJ only (800) 242-5846	http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/sw	askconsumeraffairs@dca.lps.state.nj.us
New Mexico	Meets	<p>New Mexico has three types of licenses for social workers: licensed baccalaureate social worker (LBSW), licensed master social worker (LMSW) and licensed clinical social worker (LCSW). While you may practice entry-level social work with a bachelor's degree in social work, the New Mexico Board requires an MSW or a DSW to practice more specialized social work. Licensed baccalaureate social worker (LBSW) in New Mexico</p> <p>Becoming an LBSW allows you to practice general, non-clinical social work and provide client advocacy, case management and more.</p> <p>Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work degree</p> <p>Field Requirements: None</p> <p>Exams: ASWB bachelor's exam</p> <p>License Renewal: 30 hours of professional development in continuing education with six hours in cultural competency.</p>	(505) 476-4622	http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Social_Work.aspx	socialworkboard@rld.nm.gov
New York	The state does not license at the BSW level.	<p>Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW) License: Education Requirements: MSW from a CSWE-accredited program</p> <p>Experience Requirements: 900 Hours from the MSW degree</p> <p>Exam: ASWB—Master's Level</p> <p>License Endorsement: No endorsement available in NY but licensure may be granted if out-of-state applicants meet the same requirements</p> <p>License Renewal: 36 hours of continuing education courses every three years</p>	Evan Seiden Executive Secretary - Phone: (518) 474-3817, Press 1 then ext. 450 or To contact a customer service representative: Phone: (518) 474-3817, Press 1 then ext. 570.	https://www.op.nysed.gov/professions-index/social-work	swbd@nysed.gov
North Carolina	The state does not license at the BSW level.	<p>For licensure a master's degree is required. Most social work licenses in North Carolina require a minimum of a master's in social work from a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). But you also can complete a bachelor's in social work and obtain a certified social worker license that lets you hold certain positions.</p>	(703) 683-8080	https://ncswboard.gov/	info@cswe.org
North Dakota	Meets	<p>To become a licensed social worker in North Dakota, you will have to complete at least a bachelor's degree program in social work accredited by the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE)</p> <p>External link: open_in_new. (LMSW and LCSW applicants must complete a CSWE-accredited master's degree program in social work.)</p> <p>Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (LBSW) in North Dakota</p> <p>In North Dakota, an LBSW is able to practice social work but not privately.</p> <p>Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work degree</p> <p>Field Requirements: None</p> <p>Exams: ASWB bachelor's exam</p> <p>License Renewal: Every two years, with 30 hours of continuing education, including at least two in ethics</p>	(701) 391-7005	https://www.ndbswe.com/	info@ndboardofsocialwork.com
Ohio	Meets	<p>Ohio permits social work professionals to practice with a BSW. Licensed Social Worker (LSW)</p> <p>As an LSW in Ohio</p> <p>External link: open_in_new, you can counsel or perform psychosocial interventions without supervision and social psychotherapy with supervision.</p> <p>Education Requirement: Minimum CSWE-accredited Bachelor of Social Work degree</p> <p>Field Requirement: None</p> <p>Exams: ASWB Bachelors or Masters Exam</p> <p>Fees: \$80 application fee and a processing fee</p> <p>License Renewal: Renewal occurs every two years on date of issuance, with proof of three hours of ethics continuing education in addition to the 30-hour requirement and cost of \$83.50.</p>	(614) 466-0912	http://cswmft.ohio.gov	cswmft.info@cswb.ohio.gov

Oklahoma	Meets	Before becoming a social worker in Oklahoma, you must obtain a bachelor's degree in social work and a social work license. Licensed Social Work Associate (LSWA) in Oklahoma Becoming an LSWA enables you to practice basic generalist social work services under the supervision of a licensed social worker. Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work degree Field Requirements: None Exams: ASWB bachelor's exam License Renewal: 16 hours of professional development in continuing education.	(405) 521-3712	https://www.ok.gov/socialworkers/	info@oswb.ok.gov
Oregon	The state does not license at the BSW level.	To be a licensed Social Worker in Oregon you have to have a master's degree. (To be eligible for certification as an RBSW). The LMSW requires a minimum of graduate-level education, such as an MSW or Doctor of Social Work (DSW). This license represents a more specialized knowledge of social work practices.	(503) 378-5735	http://www.oregon.gov/BLSW/Pages/index.aspx	oregon.blsw@blsw.oregon.gov
Pennsylvania	Meets	Pennsylvania offers three licensure options in social work: licensed bachelor social worker, licensed social worker and licensed clinical social worker. Each level permits social workers to engage in varying levels of work and responsibilities. Licensed Bachelor Social Worker (LBSW) Education Requirements: Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) a CSWE-accredited college or university Field Requirements: None Exam: Bachelor's level ASWB exam. As of August 2020, social work students with a Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) degree are eligible to apply for a licensed bachelor social worker (LBSW) license External link: open_in_new. To become an LSW or LCSW in Pennsylvania, a Master of Social Work (MSW) degree is required.	(717) 783-1390	http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/SocialWorkersMarriageandFamilyTherapistsandProfessionalCounselors/Pages/default.aspx#.Vxo2g_krKU	ST-SOCIALWORK@PA.GOV
Rhode Island	The state does not license at the BSW level.	To become a licensed social worker in Rhode Island, you will have to complete a CSWE-accredited Master of Social Work (MSW) program. Both licenses offered in Rhode Island — licensed clinical social worker (LCSW) and licensed independent clinical social worker (LICSW) — require an MSW degree.	(401) 222-5960	http://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=245	doh.license@health.ri.gov
South Carolina	Meets	Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (LBSW) in South Carolina: Becoming an LBSW means that you'll be able to practice clinical social work under supervision while training for your LMSW license. Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work degree Field Requirements: None Exams: ASWB bachelor's exam License Renewal: 40 hours of professional development in continuing education	(803) 896-4664	https://lir.sc.gov/sw/	Contact.SocialWork@lir.sc.gov
South Dakota	Meets	Before becoming a social worker in South Dakota, you must earn a bachelor's degree in social work and a social work license. South Dakota LSW (licensed social worker) South Dakota social worker education requirement: Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) or a social welfare program from a CSWE-accredited social work program South Dakota social worker exam: Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) bachelor's level examination Field requirement: None License renewal: Renewal is required every two years. Requirements for renewal are the successful completion of 30 contact hours of continuing education and payment of a \$130 renewal fee.	(605) 642-1600	https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/socialwork/social.aspx	office@sdlicensing.com
Tennessee	Meets	Tennessee has four separate social work licenses. You can obtain the first license with a BSW. But for the other three licenses, you must graduate from an accredited graduate social work program. Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (LBSW) If you have a licensed baccalaureate social worker license, you may be able to work in entry-level positions in many industries, such as a case manager aide, probations officer, human services employee, community outreach worker, behavior management aide and more. To become an LBSW in Tennessee (PDF, 318 KB) External link: open_in_new you may need the following: Education requirements: CSWE-accredited Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) Field requirements: No post-degree field requirement Exam: ASWB Bachelors exam License renewal: Every two years with nine hours of continuing education. To become licensed in the state of Tennessee you must have a bachelor's degree in social work (BSW) from a school accredited by the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE).	(615) 741-5735	https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/sw-board.html	contact@support.socialworkguide.org
Texas	Meets	Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (LBSW): An LBSW can work in non-clinical positions. Education: Complete a BSW program accredited by CSWE. Jurisprudence Exam: Pass the Texas Jurisprudence exam. License Exam: ASWB Bachelor Examination Fees: Application Fee – \$91.00 Renewal: 30 hours of continuing education with six hours in ethics and social work values for every two-year renewal.	(512) 305-7700 or (866) 825-9580	http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/socialwork/	https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/sw-board.html
Utah	The state does not license at the BSW level.	To be a licensed Clinical Social Worker you must have your masters. You may practice entry-level social work with a bachelor's degree in social work, the Utah Department requires an MSW or DSW to practice more specialized social work. Licensed Clinical Social Worker in Utah Becoming an LCSW allows you to practice clinical social work services independently including diagnosis, counseling and psychotherapy. Education Requirement: Master or Doctor of Social Work degree Field Requirements: 4,000 hours of supervised clinical social work Exams: ASWB clinical exam License Renewal: 40 hours of professional development in continuing education.	(801) 530-6628	https://dopl.utah.gov/index.html	b8@utah.gov

Vermont	The state does not license at the BSW level.	Vermont has two types of licenses for social workers: Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW), and Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker (LICSW). While you may practice entry-level social work under the title of "social worker" with an associate's or bachelor's degree, the Vermont State Office requires an MSW or DSW to practice more specialized social work. Becoming an LMSW allows you to practice master-level social work as an advanced generalist social worker. Education Requirement: Master or Doctorate of Social Work Degree Field Requirements: None Exams: ASWB Master's Exam, Vermont Social Worker Jurisprudence Exam License Renewal: 20 hours of professional development in continuing education	(802) 828-1505	https://socialworksupervisor.com/social-work-license/vt-licsw-licsw/	https://dopl.utah.gov/index.html
Virginia	Meets	Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (LBSW) in Virginia Education Requirements: Bachelor's degree in social work from a CSWE-accredited program Field Requirements: None As of March 5, 2020 the Board removed field experience requirements for LBSW candidates Exam: Pass the ASWB bachelor's-level examination License Renewal: Required every two years.	Discipline - (804) 367-4504 Licensure - (804) 367-4441	http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/social/	socialwork@dhp.virginia.gov
Washington	The state does not license at the BSW level.	Education requirements: Master's degree or doctorate SW degree plus official transcripts	(360) 236-4700	http://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/SocialWorker	HSQA.CSC@doh.wa.gov
West Virginia	Meets	To become a licensed social worker in West Virginia, you will have to complete a bachelor's degree program in social work accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). Licensed social worker (LSW) in West Virginia Becoming an LSW allows you to practice general, non-clinical services including advocacy, administration, case management and more. Education Requirement: Bachelor of Social Work degree Field Requirements: None Exams: ASWB bachelor's exam License Renewal: 40 hours of professional development in continuing education	(304) 400-4980	http://www.wvsocialworkboard.org/	Admin@wvsocialworkboard.org
Wisconsin	Meets	Being a certified social worker in Wisconsin requires an accredited Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) degree or higher. This license is intended for entry-level positions in social work. Complete Application. Pass the ASWB exam.	(608) 266-2112	https://dsps.wi.gov/pages/Professions/SocialWorker/Default.aspx	dsps@wisconsin.gov
Wyoming	The state does not license at the BSW level.	Becoming a Licensed Social Worker in Wyoming requires a graduate degree in social work. The practicum also requires the program you choose to be accredited by the CSWE. Wyoming LCSW Education Requirement: Completion of a graduate degree program in social work accredited by the CSWE Wyoming LCSW Exam: Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) Advanced Generalist or Clinical Level Examination Field Requirement: 3,000 hours of post-master's supervised clinical training or work experience in clinical social work under the direct supervision of a designated qualified clinical supervisor for a minimum of 100 hours. Of the three thousand (3,000) hours required, at least one thousand two hundred (1,200) hours shall be direct client contact hours. License Renewal: Renewal is required every two years. Requirements for renewal are the successful completion of 45 clock hours of continuing education (3 hours must be in ethics) and payment of a \$125 renewal fee.	(307) 777-3628.	http://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/	wyoimplb@wyo.gov
Washington, D.C.	Meets	The minimum educational requirement for a D.C. social work license is a bachelor's degree in social work (BSW). However, if you want to practice clinical social work or work independently, you'll need a master's degree in social working DC, you will need a master's in social work (MSW) from a CSWE-accredited program to become licensed as a Licensed Graduate Social Worker (LGSW), Licensed Independent Social Worker (LISW), or Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker (LICSW).	1 (877) 672-2174	https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/161602	dcbosw@dc.gov