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Credential	Licensure Requirements	Post-Graduate Requirements
Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	Alabama accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://mft.alabama.gov/PDF/2020/RulesRegs.pdf	2 years full time and at least 1,000 hours AMFTRB Exam
Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Alaska accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university that meets certain coursework and internship requirements. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/portals/5/pub/MFTStatutes.pdf	1,500 Hours AMFTRB Exam and state law/ethics exam
Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Arizona accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://www.azbbhe.us/node/819	2yearsand3,200hours AMFTRB Exam
Therapist (Associate)	marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Applicantmust align their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. Arkansas requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's degree. Learners will need to add additional courses to fulfill this requirement. Learners must earn a "B" or better in each course. Practicum/Internship experience must be at least 9 quarter credits. Learners will need to add one fieldwork course to fulfil this requirement. https://healthy.arkansas.gov/boards-	3years-3,000 hours AMFTRB Exam
	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT) Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) Associate Marriage and Family Therapist (Associate) Licensed Marriage and Family	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT) Alabama accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://mft.alabama.gov/PDF/2020/RulesRegs.pdf Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) Alaska accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university that meets certain coursework and internship requirements. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/portals/5/pub/MFTStatutes.pdf Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) Arizona accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://www.azbbhe.us/node/819 Arkansas accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Applicantmustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. Arkansas requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's degree. Learners will need to add additional courses to fulfill this requirement. Learners must earn a "B" or better in each course. Practicum/Internship experience must be at least 9 quarter credits. Learners will need to add one fieldwork course to fulfill this requirement.

California	Licensed Marriage and Family	California accepts completion of a graduate degree in marriage and family	3,000 hours
	Therapist (LMFT)	therapy that meets specific coursework and internship requirements.	California Law and Ethics Exam
		Applicants must align their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please	LMFT California Clinical Exam
		see the course alignmentdocument.	
		California requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's	
		degree. Learners will need to add additional courses to fulfill this	
		requirement.	
		Practicum/Internship experience must be at least 9 quarter credits.	
		Learners need to structure practicum/internship so that they have at least	
		one hour of direct supervisor contact for every five hours of direct client	
		contact.	
		The Board of Behavioral Science (BBS) requires unique California	
		coursework/training for licensure.	
		This unique coursework can be completed after graduating for out-of-state	
		program completers.	
		https://www.bbs.ca.gov/pdf/forms/mft/lmft_oos_req_chart_0101201	
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Colorado	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Colorado accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzKoVwvexVATZ2c0d2JkRDI3Zlk/view https://dpo.colorado.gov/MarriageFamilyTherapy/ApplicationsDocs#MFT	2 years and at least 2,000 hours Jurisprudence Exam and AMFTRB Exam
Connecticut	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	Connecticut accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing Investigations/MFT/Marital-and-Family-Therapist-Licensure-Requirements	1000 hours earned over at least 12 months AMFTRB
Delaware	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	Delaware accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title24/3000.shtml	3200 hours over 2-4 years AMFTRB exam
District of Columbia	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	D.C. accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. D.C. requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's degree. Learners will need to add additional courses to fulfill this requirement. https://dchealth.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/service_content/attachments/MFT%20check%20list%202018%20update.pdf https://doh.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/publication/attachments/Marriage_Family_Therapy_Application_Instructions.pdf	2,000 Hours and two years within 5 years of graduation AMFTRB Exam
Florida	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	Florida accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university that meets certain coursework and internship requirements. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. https://floridasmentalhealthprofessions.gov/licensing/licensed-marriage-and-family-therapist/	1,500hoursand2years AMFTRB Exam
Georgia	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	Georgia accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Applicants must align their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. https://www.mft-license.com/states/georgia-mft-license/#section1	2 years, 2000 direct hours 100 hours of supervision, no less than 50 individual, no more than 50 group Not less than 2 years, not more than 5 years NMFT Exam

Hawaii	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	internship requirements.	2years and 1,000 direct marriage and family therapy hours 200 hours of supervision in no less than 24 months NMFT Exam
Idaho	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)		2year and 3,000 hours 200 hours of supervision NMFT Exam

Illinois	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Illinois accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/marrfamtherapy.html	1000 face to face, direct hours 350 of which must be in conjoint (systems) therapy 200 hours of supervision, At least 100 of the 200 hours of clinical supervision must be completed with a marriage and family therapy supervisor who has met certain requirements AMFTRB Exam
Indiana	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Indiana accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university that meets certain coursework and internship requirements. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. Indiana requires 500 hours of marriage and family therapy services, including at least 400 face to face client contact hours, of which at least 200 hours must be relational, under the supervision of a licensed marriage and family therapist who has at least 5 years of experience or a qualified supervisor approved by the board. Indiana also requires 100 hours of supervision from a licensed marriage and family therapist who has at least 5 years' experience as a qualified supervisor. https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/behavioral-health-and-human-services/behavioral-health-and-human-services/behavioral-health-and-human-services-licensing-information/	2 years and 1,000 hours; 50% of which is with MFT services (systems). 200 hours of supervision; 100 of which must be individual AMFTRB Exam
Iowa	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	lowa accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. lowa requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's degree. Learners will need to add additional courses to fulfill this requirement. Learners can chose any quarter credits of PSY, COUN, MFT or select HS courses. https://idph.iowa.gov/Portals/1/userfiles/90/MFT%20Permanent.pdf	2yearsand3,000hours AMFTRB Exam
Kansas	Therapist (LMFT)	Kansas accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://www.ksbsrb.ks.gov/professions/marriage-family-therapists	2yearsand4,000hours AMFTRB Exam
Kentucky		Kentucky accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://mft.ky.gov/new_docs.aspx?cat=97&menuid=111	2yearsand1,000hours AMFTRB Exam

Louisiana	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Louisiana accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Louisiana requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's degree. Learners will need to add additional courses to fulfill this requirement. https://www.lpcboard.org/application	2yearsand1,000hours AMFTRB Exam
Maine	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Maine accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Maine requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's degree. Learners can choose any 18 quarter credits of PSY, COUN, MFT or select HS courses. https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/board-of-counseling-professionals-licensure/licensing-and-forms	2yearsand3,000hours AMFTRB Exam
Maryland	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Maryland accepts completion of a graduate degree in marriage and family therapy that meets specific coursework and internship requirements. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. Maryland requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's degree. 13 additional quarter credits is required to meet the total 90 qtr. credit requirement. https://health.maryland.gov/bopc/Pages/marriagetherapy.aspx	2yearsand2,000hours AMFTRB Exam
Massachusetts	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Massachusetts accepts completion of a graduate degree in marriage and family therapy that meets specific coursework and internship requirements. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. Massachusetts requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's degree. 16 additional quarter credits to meet the 90 qtr. credit total requirement. https://www.mass.gov/doc/262-cmr-3-requirements-for-licensure-as-amarriage-and-family-therapist/download	2 years or 3,360 hours AMFTRB Exam
Michigan	Limited and Full Marriage and Family Therapist License (LMFT)	Michigan accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/Certification_of_Education_for_MFT_Registration_538984_7.pdf	1,000 hours AMFTRB Exam

N	Minnesota	,	marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university.	2yearsand1,000hours AMFTRB Exam MN Oral Exam (Law and ethics)
			https://mn.gov/boards/marriage-and-family/	

Please be aware that applicants may incur additional fees for required exams (national or state-specific) and state license applications. Applicants may also need to demonstrate ethical state requirements for the profession. This list serves as a starting point for reference, but it is the responsibility of the student to contact the state board directly for any specific questions regarding licensure.

Mississippi	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Mississippi accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. http://dsitspe01.its.ms.gov/swmft/web.nsf/webpages/FormsPage FormsPage?OpenDocument	2years, which includes 1,000 hours of face-to-face client contact AMFTRB Exam
Missouri	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Missouri accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Learners must add 1 quarter credit to meet the Research content area. https://pr.mo.gov/boards/marital/applicationforlicensure.pdf	2yearsand3,000hours AMFTRB Exam
Montana	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Montana accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Montana requires 500 hours of direct-client contact, at least 50% (250 hours) of which must be with couples and families during internship. Additionally, Montana requires 100 hours of supervision (75 of which must be individual supervision) using a 5:1 ratio of client contact hours to supervision hours. https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/bbh	3,000 hours at least 1,000 hours of client contact accumulated after the attainment of the graduate degree and within the last five years. A minimum of 50 percent of those hours providing services to couples and families and under the supervision of a qualified supervisor, using a 5:1 ratio of client contact hours to supervision hours with: At least 200 hours of supervision of which at least 75 percentare in individual supervision as defined in (1)(d) above, and of which a minimum of 80 hours is earned with each supervisor; and At least 50 percent of supervision must involve raw clinical data, i.e., live observation in the therapy room or through a one-way mirror or live-feed camera, videotape, or audiotape. AMFTRB Exam
Nebraska	Licensed Mental Health Practitioner (LMPH) Certified Marriage and Family Therapist (CMFT)	Nebraska accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Graduates applyfor both the Licensed Mental Health Practitioner (LMPH) and certification as a Marriage and Family Therapist (CMFT). https://www.nebraska.gov/rules-and-regs/regsearch/Rules/Health-and-Human_Services_System/Title-172/Chapter-094.pdf https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Mental-Health-and-Social-Work-Practice.aspx	3,000 hours AMFTRB Exam
Nevada	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Nevada accepts completion of a graduate degree in marriage and family therapy that meets specific coursework and internship requirements. Applicants must align their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document.	2 years and 3,000 hours; 1500 direct; 300 hours of supervision AMFTRB Exam

https://marriage.nv.gov/Application/MFT_Qualifications/

New Hampshire	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	New Hampshire accepts completion of a graduate degree in marriage and family therapy that meets specific coursework and internship requirements. However, the New Hampshire Board requires one year to be completed "in residence" (described as face-to-face) at the institution. https://www.oplc.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt441/files/inline-documents/marriage-family-therapist-application-202408.pdf	The candidate will work under supervision (in an employee role) for at least two years. For the sake of meeting licensing requirements, 1,500 experience hours is considered to be the equivalent of one year; the hours may be completed over a period of 12 to 24 months
New Jersey	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	New Jersey accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/mft/Pages/FAQ.aspx https://newjersey.mylicense.com/eGov/Login.aspx	2 years supervised experience and 1 year (1,500 hours) of counseling experience. Rule calls out 50 hours a year; website FAQs calls out 400 total hours; 200 of which must be indiv supervision AMFTRB Exam
New Mexico	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	New Mexico accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. http://www.rld.state.nm.us/uploads/FileLinks/489397377df94a8f9a6b522 3f86db659/CT LMFT Licensure Application.pdf	2yearsand1,000hours AMFTRB Exam
New York	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	New York accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://www.op.nysed.gov/professions/marriage-and-family-therapists/license-requirements	1,500 hours AMFTRB Exam
North Carolina	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, Associate (LMFTA - Initial license required to earn post-grad hours) Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	North Carolina accepts master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Learners need to add two 1 quarter credit course to meet North Carolina's requirements. Learners need additional internship quarters (total of 14 quarter credits) to meet North Carolina's requirements. https://www.ncbmft.org/applicants/#licensurerequirements https://www.ncbmft.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/APPLICATION-INSTRUCTIONS-2020-1.pdf	1,500 hours - 500 can be from within the degree AMFTRB Exam
North Dakota	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	North Dakota accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university.	2,000 hours - 500 transferred from COAMFTE grad program AMFTRB Exam

	https://ndmftlb.org/	
(MFT)	Ohio accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://cswmft.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/cswmft/get-licensed/mfts/mft-application-instructions	2yearsand1,000hours AMFTRB Exam

Oklahoma	Licensed Marital and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Oklahoma accepts completion of a graduate degree in marriage and family therapy that meets specific coursework and internship requirements. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. https://www.ok.gov/behavioralhealth/Professional Counselor Licensing-Forms/index.html	2yearsand1,000hours AMFTRB Exam
Oregon	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Oregon accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://www.oregon.gov/oblpct/Pages/experience.aspx	3yearsand2,000hours AMFTRB Exam
Pennsylvania	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Pennsylvania accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. Pennsylvania requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's degree. Learners can choose any additional 18 quarter credits of MFT, COUN, PSY or select HS courses. https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/SocialWorkersMarriageanFamilyTherapistsandProfessionalCounselors/Documents/Special%20Notices/Clarification%20of%20the%20Actt%2076%20-%20Master%20Degree%20required.pdf https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/SocialWorkersMarriageanFamilyTherapistsandProfessionalCounselors/Pages/Applications-and-Forms.aspx	3,000 hours AMFTRB Exam
Rhode Island	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Rhode Island requires 18 quarter credits of practicum and 1 year of internship. https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=228	2yearsand2,000hours AMFTRB Exam
South Carolina	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	South Carolina accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. Learners will need to add 1 qtr credit to meet the Research content area. https://llr.sc.gov/cou/PDFS/SCLMFTapp.pdf	2yearsand1,500hours AMFTRB Exam

South Dakota	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	, ,	minimum of 2 years and 1,700 direct client contact hours
		https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/counselors/lmft.aspx	200 hours of supervision; 100 must be individual AMFTRB Exam
Tennessee	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university.	min 2 years and 1,000 direct hours; 200 hours of superivison AMFTRB Exam
		https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/pcmft-board/pcmft-board/applications.html	

Texas	Therapist (LMFT)	Texas accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://www.bhec.texas.gov/texas-state-board-of-examiners-of-marriage-and-family-therapists/applying-for-a-license/index.html Please be aware that applicants may incur additional fees for required exams (national or state-specific) and state license applications. Applicants may also need to demonstrate ethical state requirements for the profession. This list serves as a starting point for reference, but it is the responsibility of the student to contact the state board directly for any specific questions regarding licensure.	2 years and 3,000 hours; 1500 direct; of the 1500, 750 direct must be with couples and families 200 hours of supervision; at least 100 hours of individual supervision; at least 50 hours of the post-graduate supervision must be individual supervision; AMFTRB Exam MFT Jutisprudence Exam
Utah	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Utah accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://dopl.utah.gov/mft/	2 years and 4,000 hours; 100 hours of direct supervision; 1000 hours of mental health therapy (direct hours); 500 of which must be with couples and families AMFTRB Exam
Vermont	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Vermont accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://sos.vermont.gov/allied-mental-health/statutes-rules-resources/	2 years and 3,000 hours from a systems perspective; 2000 hours must be direct hours; 50% of which must be with couples s & families; 100 hours of supervision; 50 must be individual AMFTRB Exam
Virginia	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Virginia accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. Virginia requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's degree. Learners can choose any additional 18 quarter credits of MFT, COUN, PSY or select HS courses. https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/counseling/counseling_forms.htm	2 years and 4,000 hours Upto 900 internship hours may count if CACREP or COAMFTE AMFTRB Exam
Washington	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Washington accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Effective July, 15, 2020, Washington no longer requires completion of 4 hours of AIDS education. https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/MarriageandFamilyTherapist/LicenseRequirements	2 years and 3,000 hours 500 direct hours credited from a COAMFTE program AMFTRB Exam

West Virginia	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	West Virginia accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. Applicants mustalign their coursework to meet specific content areas. Please see the course alignment document. West Virginia requires 90 quarter credits of coursework as part of the master's degree. Learners can choose any additional 18 quarter credits of MFT, COUN, PSY or select HS courses. http://www.wvbec.org/becominganlmft.html	2 years and 3,000 hours May receive a 600 hour credit for work in practiucm and internship AMFTRB Exam
Wisconsin	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Wisconsin accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/MFT/Default.aspx	3,000 hours AMFTRB Exam
Wyoming	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	Wyoming accepts completion of a COAMFTE accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited university. https://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/	3,000 hours AMFTRB Exam