



LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION FACT SHEET

MEd School Counseling

West Virginia

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DETERMINATION:

Does the Faulkner University MEd in School Counseling program, meet the educational requirements for initial licensure as a school counselor in West Virginia?

Yes

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE:

The West Virginia Board of Education (WVBE) only has approval authorization for West Virginia educator preparation programs leading to educator licensure in our state. The WVBE does not approve programs or coursework from non-WV educator preparation providers at this time. West Virginia does recognize via reciprocity the preparation of candidates by out-of-state accredited institutions with approved programs that lead to licensure. If a program is state-approved in the state where it operates to lead to endorsements recognized on a license to teach/practice in the public schools of that state, then the program may recommend candidates who complete it for WV licensure. Applicants must have passing scores on all WV-required Praxis exams effective at the time of application. One other option if a program meets the previously described criteria, is for the candidate to apply for licensure in that state and present the valid certificate and apply based on reciprocity. Official transcripts are required for all options. Our state requires a completion of an approved program as well as a master's degree in order to be eligible for any of our Professional Administrative Certificates. The West Virginia Board of Education (WVBE) only has approval authorization for West Virginia educator preparation programs leading to educator licensure in our state. The WVBE does not approve programs or coursework from non-WV educator preparation providers at this time. West Virginia does recognize via reciprocity the preparation of candidates by out-of-state accredited institutions with approved programs that lead to licensure. If a program is state-approved in the state where it operates to lead to endorsements recognized on a license to teach/practice in the public schools of that state, then the program may recommend candidates who complete it for WV licensure. Applicants must have passing scores on all WV-required Praxis exams effective at the time of application. One other option if a program meets the previously described criteria, is for the candidate to apply for licensure in that state and present the valid certificate and apply based on reciprocity. Official transcripts are required for all options. Our state requires a completion of an approved program as well as a master's degree in order to be eligible for any of our Professional Administrative Certificates.

STATE VERIFICATION:

Has West Virginia verified the above determination made by Faulkner University?

Yes, in June 2024

DISCLAIMER:

The institution has used its best judgment to make the determination whether or not this program meets the requirements for obtainment of licensure. Furthermore, this determination is made annually and this page was most recently updated June 1, 2024. It is recommended the student check with the contact information provided above to ensure obtainment of licensure can be achieved.