

MS in Marriage & Family Therapy

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Alabama	Marriage and Family Therapy Associate (MFT Associate)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Alabama. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Alabama accepts completion of a Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy which contains a 12-month internship with 500 direct client contact hours, of which 250 direct client contact hours are with couples or families, obtained concurrently with the required supervision.</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional direct client contact hours to their site-based learning experience to meet the state-specific internship requirements.</p> <p>Alabama applicants will need to ensure they complete 250 direct client contact hours with couples or families physically present in the therapy room and 100 supervision hours with 50 of these hours being individual supervision. These requirements can be completed within the program or after graduation.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years full time and at least 1,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Alaska	Marital and Family Therapy Associate	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Alaska.</p> <p>Alaska accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that contains specific content and internship requirements.</p> <p>Capella's program meets the states content and internship requirements.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>1,500 Hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam and state law/ethics exam</p>
American Samoa	N/A	<p>American Samoa does not currently offer a license in marriage and family therapy.</p> <p>Licensure rules and regulations often change. Monitor for changes in educational requirements or creation of a license.</p>	N/A

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Arizona	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Associate	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Arizona.</p> <p>Arizona accepts completion of a Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy.</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 3,200 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Arkansas	Licensed Associate Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Arkansas. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Arkansas accepts completion of a 90-quarter credit graduate degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) and meets Arkansas' core curriculum standards.</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) to their academic program to meet the quarter credit and state-specific curriculum requirements for licensure. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3000 client contact hours of supervised experience in marriage and family therapy</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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California	Associate Marriage and Family Therapist (AMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in California. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>California accepts completion of a 90-quarter credit Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy that contains specific content and a 9-quarter credit practicum.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) to meet the specific content requirements. Capella students must add additional practicum credits to meet the practicum requirement. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>The Board of Behavioral Science (BBS) requires California-specific training for licensure. students can go to the California BBS website to locate continuing education providers offering this training. This unique training can be completed after graduating for out-of-state program completers, like Capella graduates.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3,000 hours</p> <p>California Law and Ethics exam and LMFT California Clinical exam</p>
Colorado	Marriage and Family Therapist Candidate (MFTC)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Colorado.</p> <p>Colorado accepts completion of a Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy.</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and at least 2,000 hours</p> <p>Jurisprudence exam and Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Connecticut	Marital and Family Therapist Associate	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Connecticut.</p> <p>Connecticut accepts completion of a Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy.</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>1000 hours earned over at least 12 months</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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Delaware	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Associate	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Delaware.</p> <p>Delaware accepts completion of a Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy.</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3200 hours over 2-4 years</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
District of Columbia	Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in the District of Columbia. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>The District of Columbia accepts completion of a 90-quarter credit Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy.</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) to meet the quarter credit requirement. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2,000 Hours and two years within 5 years of graduation</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Florida	Registered Marriage & Family Therapist Intern	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Florida.</p> <p>Florida requires completion of a Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy.</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>1,500 hours and 2 years</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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Georgia	Associate Marriage & Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Georgia. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Georgia accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) which includes state-specific coursework and practicum experience containing 500 hours of direct clinical experience and 100 hours of supervision, and a passing score on the Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) national exam.</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE-accredited and contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional direct client contact hours and supervision hours to their site-based learning experience to meet the state-specific requirements. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Applicants will need to obtain a passing score on the AMFTRB national exam.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3 years/2,500 hours of direct clinical experience required total. 500 hours direct clinical experience may be accrued pre-degree. Remaining 2 years/2,000 hours direct clinical experience shall be accrued post-degree. Hours must be obtained in no less than 3 years and no more than 5 years. 200 hours of supervision required total. 100 hours of supervision shall be provided by an AAMFT approved supervisor. AAMFT supervisor may be a Capella faculty member. 50 hours minimum must be individual supervision. 50 hours maximum may be group supervision. 5 hours minimum of supervision per 100 hours of direct clinical experience. 100 hours of supervision may be obtained pre-degree.</p> <p>Register and sit for the NMFT exam following Board review of application and approval to take the exam.</p>
Guam	Mental Health Intern License	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Guam. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Guam accepts completion of a 90-quarter credit master's degree in marriage and family therapy which contains specific content.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) to meet the specific content and quarter credit requirements. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3,000 hours of clinical experience 100 hours of supervision</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Hawaii	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet educational requirements for professional licensure in Hawaii.</p> <p>Hawaii accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that meets specific content areas.</p> <p>Capella's program contains the required content.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>1,000 hours of direct clinical experience 200 hours clinical supervision in no less than 24 months</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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Idaho	Associate Marriage and Family Therapists (LAMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Idaho.</p> <p>Idaho accepts completion of a graduate program in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 2,000 hours of direct client contact total. 1,000 hours of direct client contact hours with 2 or more individuals conjointly who share an ongoing relationship beyond that which occurs in the therapeutic experience itself. 200 hours of supervision, of which 100 hours must be individual, rather than group, supervision. 100 hours must be supervised by a licensed marriage and family therapist, with the remaining 100 hours of supervision provided by a supervisor who has at least 2 years of experience practicing marriage and family therapy.</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Illinois	Licensed Associate Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Illinois.</p> <p>Illinois accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>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</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Indiana	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Associate	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Indiana. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Indiana accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that contains certain coursework, includes 500 hours in marriage and family services, including at least 400 hours of direct client contact, of which 200 hours must be relational, and 100 hours of supervision from a board-approved licensed marriage and family therapist supervisor.</p> <p>Capella students must complete an additional 200 direct client contact hours, 100 of which must be relational. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 1,000 hours; 50% of which is with met services (systems). 200 hours of supervision; 100 of which must be individual</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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Iowa	Licensed Marital and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Iowa. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Iowa accepts completion of an 80-quarter credits master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) to their program to meet the quarter credit requirement. students can choose any quarter credits of PSY, COUN, MFT or select HS courses. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 3,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Kansas	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Kansas.</p> <p>Kansas accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 4,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Kentucky	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Associate	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Kentucky.</p> <p>Kentucky accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 1,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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Maine	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, Conditional	<p>Capella University's MS Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Maine. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Maine accepts completion of a 90-quarter credit master's degree in marriage and family therapy that contains a full academic year of supervised marriage and family counseling experience consisting of 900 clock hours and that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) to their program to meet the quarter credit requirement. students can choose any PSY, COUN, or MFT courses. students can choose select HS courses. Capella students must add additional clock hours to their site-based learning experience to meet the supervised marriage and family counseling experience requirement. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Capella students will need to ensure they complete 360 clock hours of direct client contact during their site-based learning experience.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>Two years of experience after obtainment of a master's degree comprised of at least 1,000 hours of direct clinical contact with couples and families and 200 hours of supervision, at least 100 of which must be individual supervision.</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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Maryland	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Maryland. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Maryland accepts completion of a 90-quarter credit graduate degree in marriage and family therapy that meets specific coursework and internship requirements.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) to meet state-specific content areas for licensure. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 2,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Massachusetts	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Massachusetts. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Massachusetts accepts completion of a 90-quarter credit graduate degree in marriage and family therapy that contains specific coursework.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) to their program to meet the quarter credit requirement. students can choose any PSY, COUN, or MFT courses. students can choose select HS courses. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Capella students will need to ensure they complete 100 face-to-face supervision hours, of which 50 hours must be individual supervision, during their site-based learning experience.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years or 3,360 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Michigan	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Michigan.</p> <p>Michigan accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>1,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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Minnesota	Licensed Associate Marriage Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Minnesota.</p> <p>Minnesota accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 1,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam and MN Oral Law and ethics exam</p>
Mississippi	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapy Associate (LMFTA)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Mississippi. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Mississippi accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that contains 500 face-to-face clinical client contact hours and is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Capella students will need to add additional hours to their site-based learning experience to meet the clinical client contact hours requirement. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Capella students will need to ensure they complete at least 200 relational clinical client contact hours and no less than 1 hour of supervision for each 6 hours of clinical client contact, during their site-based learning experience.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years, which includes 1,000 hours of face-to-face client contact</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Missouri	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Missouri.</p> <p>Missouri accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 3,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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Montana	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Candidate	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Montana.</p> <p>Montana accepts a master's degree in marriage and family counseling that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>Supervised work experience hours obtained post-degree must include 100 individual hours, using a 20:1 ratio of client contact hours to supervision hours of which at least 75 percent are in individual supervision; group supervision consisting of no more than six candidates; and a minimum of 1000 post-degree hours of client contact accumulated within the last five years with a minimum of 50 percent of those hours providing services to couples and families. There must be a 20:1 ratio of client contact hours to supervision hours with at least 200 hours of face-to-face supervision of which at least 150 hours are in individual supervision, and of which a minimum of 80 hours is earned with each supervisor; and at least 100 hours of supervision involving raw clinical data, i.e., live observation in the therapy room or through a one-way mirror or live-feed camera, videotape, or audiotape.</p>
Nebraska	Provisionally Licensed Mental Health Practitioner (PLMHP)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Nebraska.</p> <p>Nebraska accepts completion of a Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) equivalent master's degree in marriage and family therapy.</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Capella students will need to ensure they complete 50% of their supervised direct client contact hours with individuals and 50% couples and families during their site-based learning experience.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Nevada	Marriage and Family Therapist Interns	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Nevada.</p> <p>Nevada accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3,000 hours within 2 years 1500 direct-client contact 300 hours of supervision</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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New Hampshire	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in New Hampshire.</p> <p>Capella's program will not meet New Hampshire's residency requirement.</p> <p>Capella University is not accepting applications into the MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program from residents of New Hampshire who intend to seek professional licensure or certification in New Hampshire.</p>	N/A
New Jersey	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in New Jersey.</p> <p>New Jersey accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3,000 hours, 2 years supervised MFT experience. 1,500 hours, 1 year counseling experience (can be in MFT). Min 50 hours face-to-face supervision, 1 hour/week, no more than 25 hours may be in group supervision per year. Max 1,150 hours MFT client contact per year. Max 300 hours "other work related activities" (client record maintenance, appt schedules, prep, etc.) per year. No more than 30 hours earned per week. No more than 125 hours earned per month.</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
New Mexico	Licensed Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in New Mexico.</p> <p>New Mexico accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 1,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
New York	Marriage & Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in New York.</p> <p>New York accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>1,500 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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North Carolina	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Associate (LMFTA)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in North Carolina.</p> <p>North Carolina accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>1,500 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
North Dakota	Associate Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in North Dakota.</p> <p>North Dakota accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2,000 hours</p> <p>500 hours from a COAMFTE grad program can count toward the total 2,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Northern Mariana Islands	License Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet educational requirements for professional licensure in the Northern Mariana Islands.</p> <p>The Northern Mariana Islands accept completion of a Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) accredited master's degree in marriage and family therapy.</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>Two (2) years of postgraduate supervised clinical or counseling work experience in professional mental health counseling. 3,000 total hours, including 1,000 client contact clock hours of supervised clinical experience at a setting acceptable to the board. 200 hours of supervision including 100 individual and 100 group hours. Meet with the supervisor for a minimum of four (4) hours per month and provide documentation of supervised hours. On-site supervision of a licensed marriage and family therapist, licensed psychologist, licensed psychiatrist or licensed social worker within the U.S or other qualified licensed provider approved by the board. Licensed and qualified supervisors providing telepsychology clinical supervision must be board approved and licensed in the CNMI. At the discretion of the Board, may approve tele-supervision.</p>

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Ohio	Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Ohio.</p> <p>Ohio accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 1,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Oklahoma	Licensed Marital and Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Oklahoma.</p> <p>Oklahoma accepts completion of a graduate degree in marriage and family therapy that meets specific coursework and internship requirements.</p> <p>Capella's program contains the coursework and internship requirements.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 1,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Oregon	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Oregon.</p> <p>Oregon accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3 years and 2,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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Pennsylvania	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Pennsylvania. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Pennsylvania accepts completion of a 90-quarter credit master's degree in marriage and family therapy accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) to their program to meet the quarter credit requirement. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Puerto Rico	N/A	<p>Puerto Rico does not currently offer a license in marriage and family therapy in the territory.</p> <p>Licensure rules and regulations often change. Monitor for changes in educational requirements or creation of a license.</p>	N/A
Rhode Island	Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Rhode Island.</p> <p>Capella's program will not meet Rhode Island's practicum and internship requirements.</p> <p>Capella University is not accepting applications into the MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program from residents of Rhode Island who intend to seek professional licensure or certification in Rhode Island.</p>	N/A
South Carolina	Marriage and Family Therapist Associate	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in South Carolina.</p> <p>South Carolina accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 1,500 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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South Dakota	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in South Dakota.</p> <p>South Dakota accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 1,700 direct client contact hours 200 hours of supervision, 100 must be individual</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Tennessee	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Tennessee.</p> <p>Tennessee accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 1,000 direct hours 200 hours of supervision</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Texas	License Marriage & Family Therapist Associate	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Texas.</p> <p>Texas accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 3,000 hours. 1500 hours direct contact, 750 hours must be couples/families. 200 hours of supervision; 100 hours individual. 50 hours of post-grad supervision must be individual.</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam and MFT Jurisprudence exam</p>

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US Virgin Islands	Marriage & Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in the US Virgin Islands. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>The US Virgin Islands accept completion of a 90-quarter credit master's degree in marriage and family therapy that contains specific content.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) with an emphasis in marriage and family therapy to their program to meet the quarter credit requirement. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>Three years of post-academic degree experience in a professional setting, including a minimum of 2,500 hours of professional counseling of which 1,000 hours involve direct client contact marriage and family therapy, and a minimum of 300 hours of supervised experience under an approved supervisor; contact marriage and family therapy, and a minimum of 300 hours of supervised experience under an approved supervisor.</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Utah	Associate Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Utah.</p> <p>Utah accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 4,000 hours 100 hours of direct supervision 1000 direct hours of mental health therapy; 500 must be with couples/families</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Vermont	Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Vermont.</p> <p>Vermont accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 3,000 hours from a systems perspective. 2000 hours must be direct hours; 50% of which must be with couples/families. 100 hours of supervision; 50 hours must be individual.</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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Virginia	Resident in Marriage and Family Therapy	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Virginia. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>Virginia accepts completion of a 90-quarter credit master's degree in marriage and family therapy that contains a supervised internship of 600 hours and that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) to their program to meet the quarter credit requirement. Capella students must add additional hours to their site-based learning experience to meet the supervised internship requirements Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Capella students will need to ensure they complete 240 direct client contact hours of which 200 hours shall be with couples and families during their site-based learning experience.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 4,000 hours. 900 internship hours from a COAMFTE grad program can count toward the total 4,000 hours.</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Washington	Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Associate	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Washington.</p> <p>Washington accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 3,000 hours 500 direct hours credited from a COAMFTE program</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>

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West Virginia	Provisionally Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program alone will not meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in West Virginia. Capella's program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure if certain conditions are fulfilled.</p> <p>West Virginia accepts completion of a 90-quarter credit master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Capella students must add additional course(s) to their program to meet the quarter credit requirement. Please contact Enrollment Services or Academic Advising to build a suitable academic plan.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>2 years and 3,000 hours May receive a 600 hour credit for work in practicum and internship</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Wisconsin	Temporarily Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Wisconsin.</p> <p>Wisconsin accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>
Wyoming	Provisional Marriage and Family Therapist	<p>Capella University's MS in Marriage and Family Therapy program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Wyoming.</p> <p>Wyoming accepts completion of a master's degree in marriage and family therapy that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE).</p> <p>Capella's program is COAMFTE accredited.</p> <p>Applicants are advised that additional fees may be incurred in connection with mandatory examinations—whether nationally administered or imposed by local licensing authorities—as well as for license applications, background checks, and compliance with other jurisdictional regulatory requirements. Furthermore, applicants may be required to satisfy ethical standards and demonstrate adherence to professional conduct rules as a condition of licensure.</p>	<p>3,000 hours</p> <p>Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards (AMFTRB) exam</p>