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Alabama	Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Alabama. Alabama accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a master's degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Alaska	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse, Adult or Family Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Alaska. Alaska accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a master's degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework and clinical experience requirements. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework and clinical experience required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. Students completing clinical experiences in Alaska must register with the state prior to commencing those experiences, provide evidence they are enrolled in an accredited program that meets Board requirements, and have the agreement between the program and licensed clinical site approved by the Alaska Board of Nursing. 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.

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Arizona	Registered Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Arizona. Arizona accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a master's degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Arkansas	Certified Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Arkansas. Arkansas accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a master's degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), which contains state-specific coursework and clinical experience requirements. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework and clinical experience required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Colorado	Advanced Practice Registration	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Colorado. Colorado accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a master's degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Connecticut	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Connecticut. Connecticut accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a graduate degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Delaware	Certified Nurse Practitioner, Psych/Mental Health	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Delaware. Delaware accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate level advanced practice registered nurse program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework and clinical experience requirements. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework and clinical experience required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Florida	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Florida. Florida accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a 45-quarter unit master's degree in advanced nursing practice that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited, meets the quarter unit requirement, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Georgia	Certified Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Georgia. Georgia accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a master's degree in nursing for the respective nurse practitioner specialty that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains the state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Hawaii	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Hawaii. Hawaii accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate-level advanced practice registered nurse program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Idaho	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Idaho. Idaho accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate advanced practice registered nurse program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.
Illinois	Advanced Practice Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Illinois. Illinois accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a graduate degree in clinical advanced practice registered nursing specialty that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Indiana	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Indiana. Indiana accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a graduate degree in nursing which contains the state-specific coursework and clinical experience requirements. Capella's program contains the state-specific coursework and clinical experience required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Iowa	Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner, Certified Psych/Mental Health	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Iowa. Iowa accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate advanced practice registered nurse program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Kansas	Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Kansas. Kansas accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a formal, post-basic nursing education program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework and clinical experience requirements. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework and clinical experience required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Kentucky	Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Kentucky. Kentucky accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body, a passing score on the state-specific examination, and completion of an advanced practice registered nurse program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants must ensure they obtain a passing score on the Kentucky Jurisprudence Examination and will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Maine	Certified Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Maine. Maine accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate nurse practitioner program in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Massachusetts	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Massachusetts. Massachusetts accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate degree program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Michigan	Certified Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Michigan. Michigan accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a master's or doctoral degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.
Minnesota	Certified Nurse Practitioner Population Focus, Health Psychiatric/Mental	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Minnesota. Minnesota accepts a certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a graduate degree from a state approved advanced practice registered nursing education program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited, is approved by the Minnesota Board of Nursing, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Mississippi	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Mississippi. Mississippi accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a master's degree that prepares nurses for an advanced practice nursing specialty role from a program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Missouri	Certified Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Missouri. Missouri accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a graduate level degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Montana	Certified Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Montana. Montana accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate-level program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Nebraska	Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Nebraska. Nebraska accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate-level program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Nevada	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Nevada. Nevada accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework and clinical experience requirements. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework and clinical experience required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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New Hampshire	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in New Hampshire. New Hampshire accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a graduate degree that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework and clinical experience requirements. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework and clinical experience required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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New Jersey	Advanced Practice Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in New Jersey. New Jersey accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a masters in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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New Mexico	Certified Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in New Mexico. New Mexico accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate level nurse practitioner program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.
North Carolina	Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in North Carolina. North Carolina accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate level nurse practitioner education program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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North Dakota	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in North Dakota. North Dakota accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate-level advanced practice registered nurse program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Ohio	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Ohio. Ohio accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a master's degree in a nursing specialty that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Oregon	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Oregon. Oregon accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a master's degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Rhode Island	Certified Nurse Practitioner, Psychiatric/Mental Health	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Rhode Island. Rhode Island accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate advanced practice registered nurse program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.
South Carolina	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in South Carolina. South Carolina accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a master's degree. Capella's program meets the educational requirements for the national credential awarded by the American Nurses Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain a national credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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South Dakota	Certified Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in South Dakota. South Dakota accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework and clinical experience requirements. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework and clinical experience required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Tennessee	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Tennessee. Tennessee accepts a certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a state-approved post-basic professional nursing level advanced practice nursing program. Capella's program is approved by the Tennessee Board of Nursing and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Texas	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Texas. Texas accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate advanced practice registered nurse program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework and clinical experience requirements. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework and clinical experience required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Utah	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Utah. Utah accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a prelicensing education program in advanced practice registered nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited, is approved by the Utah Division of Professional Licensing Nursing Board, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. An individual specializing in psychiatric mental health nursing shall complete the PMHNP-BC examination before beginning the 3,000 post-graduate hours of required psychiatric clinical and mental health therapy practice required for licensure. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Vermont	Advanced Practicing Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Vermont. Vermont accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of an advanced practice registered nursing degree that is both accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and state-approved, and which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, is approved by the Minnesota Board of Nursing, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Virginia	Advanced Practicing Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Virginia. Virginia accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and a graduate degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.
Washington	Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Washington. Washington accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate degree from an advanced nursing education program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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West Virginia	Certified Nurse Practitioner	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in West Virginia. West Virginia accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a graduate degree that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Wisconsin	Advanced Practice Nurse Prescriber	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Wisconsin. Wisconsin accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body, a passing score on the state-specific examination, and completion of a master's degree in nursing that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) which contains state-specific coursework. Capella's program is CCNE accredited, contains the state-specific coursework required for licensure, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants must obtain a passing score on the Wisconsin Statutes and Rules Online Exam and will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.

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Wyoming	Advanced Practicing Registered Nurse	Capella University's Master's in Nursing, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program will meet the educational requirements for professional licensure in Wyoming. Wyoming accepts certification from a nationally recognized certifying body and completion of a state-board approved graduate advanced practice nurse educational program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Capella's program is CCNE accredited, approved by the Minnesota Board of Nursing, and meets the educational requirements for the Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC) exam and credential awarded by the American Nurse Credentialing Center. Applicants will need to hold a valid, unencumbered registered nurse license for the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice and obtain the PMHNP-BC credential prior to applying for the advanced practice nurse practitioner license. 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.