

Nursing Licensure Disclosure

Upon earning an [Associate of Science Nursing](#) degree, graduates are prepared to take and pass the National Council of State Board of Nursing’s Examination for Registered Nurses ([NCLEX-RN](#)) national licensure exam to become registered nurses. After passing the NCLEX-RN, the [Montana Board of Nursing](#) grants licensure to practice nursing as a registered nurse in Montana, and graduates may be eligible to apply for licensure by endorsement in any of the 50 states.

Similarly, upon earning a [Certificate of Applied Science in Practical Nursing](#), graduates are prepared to take and pass the National Council of State Board of Nursing’s Examination for Practical Nurses ([NCLEX-PN](#)) to become licensed practical nurses. After passing the NCLEX-PN, the Montana Board of Nursing grants licensure to practice as a practical nurse in Montana, and graduates may be eligible to apply for licensure by endorsement in any of the 50 states.

To enroll in either program, the student must be accepted. Click [here](#) to view the admission guidelines and application packet for the [registered nursing](#) program. Click [here](#) to view the admission guidelines and application packet for the [practical nursing](#) program.

This disclosure indicates the states and territories that FVCC has determined through a reasonable, good-faith effort that the nursing program **meets**, **does not meet**, or has **not determined** if the program meets the educational requirements for licensure. Other requirements besides what is listed below include, but are not limited to registration fees, criminal background checks, disclosure of professional disciplinary actions, etc. Continuing education may also be required for the maintenance of licensure.

State/Territory	Licensing Board/Agency	Meets Educational Requirements for Licensure	Member of Compact or Reciprocity Agreement	Additional Requirements
Alabama	Alabama Board of Nursing (ABN)	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Alaska	Alaska Board of Nursing	Meets	No	Exam: • NCLEX
American Samoa	American Samoa Health Services Regulatory Board	Meets	No	Exam: • NCLEX

Arizona	Arizona State Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX • Arizona Nurse Practice Act Test
Arkansas	Arkansas State Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
California	California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN)	Meets	No	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Colorado	Colorado Division of Professions and Occupations (DPO) Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Connecticut	Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Delaware	Delaware Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
District of Columbia	DC Board of Nursing	Meets	No	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Federated States of Micronesia	Federated States of Micronesia Department of Health and Social Affairs	Not Determined	No	Not Determined
Florida	Florida Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Georgia	Georgia Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Guam	Guam Board of Nurse Examiners (GBNE)	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Hawaii	Hawaii Board of Nursing	Meets	No	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Idaho	Idaho Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Illinois	Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation	Meets	No	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX

Indiana	Indiana State Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Iowa	Iowa Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Kansas	Kansas Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Kentucky	Kentucky Board of Nursing (KBN)	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Louisiana	Louisiana State Board of Nursing (LSBN)	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Maine	Maine Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Maryland	Maryland Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing (Board)	Meets	No	Exam: • NCLEX
Michigan	Michigan Board of Nursing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)	Does Not Meet – See Training	No	Exam: • NCLEX Training: • Human Trafficking Training • Implicit Bias Training
Minnesota	Minnesota Board of Nursing	Meets	No	Exam: • NCLEX
Mississippi	Mississippi Board of Nursing (MSBN)	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Missouri	Missouri Board of Nursing (MSBN)	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Montana	Montana Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX

Nebraska	Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Licensure Unit Nursing Section	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Nevada	Nevada State Board of Nursing	Meets	No	Exam: • NCLEX
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
New Jersey	New Jersey Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
New Mexico	New Mexico Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
New York	New York State Education Department (NYSED)	Does Not Meet – See Training	No	Exam: • NCLEX Training: • Child Abuse Reporting Coursework • Infection Control Coursework
North Carolina	North Carolina Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
North Dakota	North Dakota Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Northern Mariana Islands	Northern Mariana Islands (NMI) Board of Nursing	Meets	No	Exam: • NCLEX
Ohio	Ohio Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Oklahoma	Oklahoma Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Oregon	Oregon State Board of Nursing (OSBN)	Meets	No	Exam: • NCLEX

Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX or State Board Test Pool Exam (SBTPE)
Puerto Rico	Puerto Rico Nursing Examining Board	Meets	No	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX or Examination of Revalidation
Republic of Palau	Palau Ministry of Health & Human Services	Not Determined	No	Not Determined
Republic of the Marshall Islands	Republic of the Marshall Islands Ministry of Health and Human Services	Not Determined	No	Not Determined
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Department of Health - Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
South Carolina	South Carolina Board of Nursing (SCBON)	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
South Dakota	South Dakota Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Tennessee	Tennessee Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Texas	Texas Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX • Texas Nursing Jurisprudence Exam
U.S. Virgin Islands	Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure (VIBNL)	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX
Utah	Utah Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCLEX

Vermont	Vermont Office of Professional Regulation (OPR); Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Virginia	Virginia Board of Nursing (VBON)	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Washington	Washington State Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
West Virginia	West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses (West Virginia RN Board)	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Wisconsin	Wisconsin Board of Nursing	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX
Wyoming	Wyoming State Board of Nursing (WSBN)	Meets	Yes, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC)	Exam: • NCLEX

Montana is one of 41 jurisdictions that belong to the Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC). Therefore, when a student graduates from FVCC's nursing program and passes the NCLEX exam, the graduate can legally work in Montana as a registered or practical nurse in 40 other states and territories, as long as they apply and meet the criteria for a multi-state license. The licensee must continually hold an unencumbered license to meet the requirements of the NLC. Information about the NLC and the participating states and territories can be found at: www.ncsbn.org/compacts.htm.

This disclosure was last updated on June 21, 2024. However, this disclosure may not reflect recent changes or requirements because professional licensure requirements are subject to change. Students are strongly encouraged to contact the state licensing board directly to verify education and licensing requirements in their state/territory.