

Nursing

Program and degree information

Students who successfully complete the planned learning activities in the Nursing Program's curriculum earn the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree. The Columbia State Nursing graduate is eligible to apply to the Tennessee State Board of Nursing to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) pending individual approval from the state board of nursing. The Tennessee State Board of Nursing (TBON) provides online information for application and licensure for Nursing in Tennessee.

Students pursuing this program who live outside of Tennessee or plan to move to another state for employment are warned there may be additional requirements needed to obtain licensure or certification in another state. Columbia State has not determined if requirements are met for licensure in all states or territories of the United States. These states are identified as “Does Not Meet” in the table below. Even if identified in the table below as Meets, it is possible requirements have changed since last reviewed. Consult the appropriate state licensing/certification board to determine if the chosen program of study will meet the requirements in the state(s) where you intend to seek employment. For information regarding application and licensure in other states, NC-SARA provides a list with [websites/contacts](#) for State Boards of Nursing within the United States.

Tennessee is a member of the Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC), allowing graduates to apply for multi-state licensure. With a multi-state license, one may practice in other NLC states and territories without additional licensing requirements. The table below shows states participating in NLC at time of review. Check out the NLC website for [current participating states](#) and [resources for nursing students and recent graduates](#).

Questions about licensure in other states should be emailed to the Columbia State program official listed below.

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Table – Professional Licensure by States

State	Determination
Alabama	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Alaska	Does not meet
Arizona	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact

State	Determination
Arkansas	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
California	Does not meet
Colorado	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Connecticut	Does not meet
Delaware	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
District of Columbia	Does not meet
Florida	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Georgia	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Hawaii	Does not meet
Idaho	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Illinois	Does not meet
Indiana	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Iowa	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Kansas	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Kentucky	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Louisiana	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Maine	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Maryland	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Massachusetts	Does not meet
Michigan	Does not meet
Minnesota	Does not meet
Mississippi	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Missouri	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Montana	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact

State	Determination
Nebraska	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Nevada	Does not meet
New Hampshire	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
New Jersey	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
New Mexico	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
New York	Does not meet
North Carolina	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
North Dakota	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Ohio	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Oklahoma	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Oregon	Does not meet
Pennsylvania	Does not meet
Puerto Rico	Does not meet
Rhode Island	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
South Carolina	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
South Dakota	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Tennessee	Yes, Meets Tennessee Board of Nursing
Texas	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
U.S. Virgin Islands	Does not meet
Utah	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Vermont	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Virginia	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Washington	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact

State	Determination
West Virginia	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Wisconsin	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact
Wyoming	Meets, state participates in Nurse Licensure Compact