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Professional Licensure / Certification Requirements

Bellin College participates in federal financial aid programs under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965. Therefore, Bellin College is required to comply with the Program Integrity Misrepresentation rules published in 2010 and State Authorization regulations (which vary from state to state) in application to online/distance education programs. The regulations require institutions of higher education to obtain approval from the states in which they provide postsecondary education programs. Bellin College participates in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA), which is an agreement among states that establishes national standards for the interstate offering of postsecondary distance education courses and programs. Through SARA, Bellin College may provide distance education to residents of any other SARA member state without seeking authorization from each SARA member state.

At this time, the Bellin College BSN program and MSN Family Nurse Practitioner program are only offered in on campus or hybrid format. The information provided may be of benefit to graduates pursuing licensure or certification outside of Wisconsin post-graduation.

We urge students / graduates to review the regulations regarding authorization of your specific state if you are **all** the following:

- a U.S. citizen
- do not live in Wisconsin
- are thinking about enrolling in a Bellin College program with the intent of residing outside of WI post-graduation.

If you become a Bellin College student, you are responsible for checking program authorization and licensure requirements in your state of residence. Rules and regulations vary by state. If you move to a new state, you are responsible for ensuring our program is approved in your new state. **Note: State regulations are being modified frequently throughout the pandemic. Applicants and graduates interested in out of state licensure / certification are encouraged to keep up to date on the requirements of their desired state.**

National Licensure & Certification

Completion of Bellin College's [CCNE](#) accredited [Bachelor of Science in Nursing](#) program meets the educational requirements to apply for the NCLEX exam for Registered Nurses (RNs).

Completion of Bellin College's [CCNE](#) accredited [Master of Science in Nursing Family Nurse Practitioner \(FNP\)](#) program and [Post Graduate Family Nurse Practitioner certificate](#) option meet the educational requirements to apply for [ANCC FNP-BC](#) and/or [AANP FNP](#).

State	RN	APRN Practice	State Board of Nursing
Alabama	Meets Compact state	Meets Advanced Practice Nursing (APN) approval as a Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner (CRNP)	Alabama Board of Nursing
Alaska	Meets	Meets the requirements to apply for an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) license.	Alaska Board of Nursing
American Samoa	Unable to determine	Unable to determine	American Samoa Board of Nursing
Arizona	Meets Compact state	Meets the requirements to apply for an Advanced Practice (AP) nurse approval as a Registered Nurse Practitioner (RNP) in Arizona. RNP applicants requesting prescribing and dispensing privileges, must also submit written evidence of 45 contact hours of education in pharmacology or clinical management of drug therapy within the three-year period immediately preceding their application.	Arizona State Board of Nursing
Arkansas	Meets Compact state	Meets Note: Eligibility for licensure as an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) is considered after verification of active practice of nursing as a registered nurse for a minimum of two thousand (2,000) hours.	Arkansas Board of Nursing
California	Undetermined The California Board of Registered Nursing reviews transcripts at the time an individual applies for a license to determine whether a program meets curricular requirements. Therefore, Bellin College cannot determine whether completion of the CCNE accredited Bachelor of Science in Nursing program meets the educational	Undetermined. Nurse Practitioner (NP) license requires successful completion of a nurse practitioner education program approved by the Board. It is unclear if Bellin College would be approved by the Board in California (CA). CA has three methods; graduates of Bellin would apply for NP practice via the "Non-California Based Nurse Practitioner Program" method.	California Board of Registered Nursing

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	requirements to apply for RN licensure in California.		
Colorado	Meets Compact state	Meets Advanced Practice Registration as an Advanced Practice Nurse (APN) also requires proof of professional liability insurance. Prescriptive authority requires an additional application and license.	Colorado Board of Nursing
Connecticut	Meets	Meets Must also have successfully completed thirty (30) hours of education in pharmacology for advanced nursing practice.	Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing
Delaware	Meets Compact state	Meets Enacted APRN compact legislation.	Delaware Board of Nursing
District of Columbia (D.C)	Meets	Meets	District of Columbia Board of Nursing
Florida	Meets Compact state	Meets Must also provide proof of malpractice insurance or exemption.	Florida Board of Nursing
Georgia	Meets Compact state	Meets	Georgia Board of Nursing
Guam	Meets Compact state	Meets	Guam Board of Nurse Examiners
Hawaii	Meets	Meets Prescriptive authority requires 30 contact hours of advanced pharmacology – may be met by course or continuing education.	Hawaii Board of Nursing
Idaho	Meets Compact state	Meets	Idaho Board of Nursing
Illinois	Meets	Meets	Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation
Indiana	Meets Compact state	Meets	Indiana State Board of Nursing

Iowa	Meets Compact state	Meets	Iowa Board of Nursing
Kansas	Meets Compact state	Meets	Kansas Board of Nursing
Kentucky	Meets Compact state	Meets	Kentucky Board of Nursing
Louisiana	Meets Compact state	Unable to determine The Louisiana State Board of Nursing reviews transcripts at the time of application for certain course work required by the board. The specifics of the required course work are not specified, therefore Bellin College cannot determine if completion of the CCNE accredited Master of Science in Nursing Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) program and Post Graduate Family Nurse Practitioner certificate option meet the educational requirements to apply for an APRN license in Louisiana.	Louisiana State Board of Nursing
Maine	Meets Compact state	Meets	Maine Board of Nursing
Maryland	Meets Compact state	Meets	Maryland Board of Nursing
Massachusetts	Meets Candidate must comply with the Good Moral Character (GMC) requirements.	Meets	Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing
Michigan	Meets Applicants must also answer good moral character questions, complete mandatory approved training on identification of human trafficking victims (effective January 2022) and complete 2 hours of implicit bias training within 5 years immediately	Meets Applicants must also complete mandatory approved training on identification of human trafficking victims (effective January 2022).	Michigan Board of Nursing

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	preceding issuance of the license (effective June 2022)		
Minnesota	Meets	Meets	Minnesota Board of Nursing
Mississippi	Meets Compact state	Meets	Mississippi Board of Nursing
Missouri	Meets Compact state	Meets	Missouri Board of Nursing
Montana	Meets Compact state	Meets	Montana Board of Nursing
Nebraska	Meets Compact state	Meets	Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
Nevada	Meets. Renewal of license will require at least 2 hours of continued education related to cultural competency, diversity, equity and inclusion (as of January 2022)	Meets	Nevada State Board of Nursing
New Hampshire	Meets Compact state	Meets	New Hampshire Board of Nursing
New Jersey	Meets Compact state	Meets	New Jersey Board of Nursing
New Mexico	Meets Compact state	Meets	New Mexico Board of Nursing
New York	Meets Applicants must also complete the New York State required infection control coursework and child abuse reporting coursework (if not qualified for an exemption) and be of good moral character.	Meets Additional Mandatory Prescriber Education instruction specific to New York State and Federal laws related to prescriptions and record keeping is required.	New York Office of Professional Nursing
North Carolina	Meets Compact state	Meets	North Carolina Board of Nursing
North Dakota	Meets	Meets	North Dakota Board of Nursing

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	Compact state	Enacted APRN compact legislation.	
Ohio	Meets Compact state 1/1/23	Meets	Ohio Board of Nursing
Oklahoma	Meets Compact state	Meets	Oklahoma Board of Nursing
Oregon	Meets Effective Jan 2022, applicants must have documentation of the Pain Management Education through the Oregon Pain Commission plus six hours of continued education units, in accordance with ORS 413.590. Applicants must also have at least two hours of cultural competency education in the two years preceding the receipt of a completed application (as of July 2021).	Meets	Oregon State Board of Nursing
Pennsylvania	Meets Applicants must also complete mandatory approved training on child abuse recognition and recording.	Meets CRNP applicants must also complete mandatory approved training on child abuse recognition and recording	Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing
Rhode Island	Meets	Meets	Rhode Island Department of Health
South Carolina	Meets Compact state	Meets	South Carolina Board of Nursing
South Dakota	Meets Compact state	Meets	South Dakota Board of Nursing
Tennessee	Meets Compact state	Meets	Tennessee Board of Nursing
Texas	Meets Compact state	Meets	Texas Board of Nursing

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U.S. Virgin Islands	Meets 12/6/2021 NLC enacted, awaiting implementation	Meets	U.S. Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure
Utah	Meets Compact state	Meets	Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing: Nursing
Vermont	Meets Compact state	Meets	Vermont Office of Professional Regulation: Nursing
Virginia	Meets Compact state		Virginia Board of Nursing
Washington	Meets	Meets	Washington Nursing Commission
West Virginia	Meets Compact state	Meets	West Virginia RN Board
Wisconsin	Meets Compact state	Meets	Wisconsin Board of Nursing
Wyoming	Meets Compact state	Meets	Wyoming State Board of Nursing