

Occupational Licensing Study 50 State Comparison

State Board of Psychology

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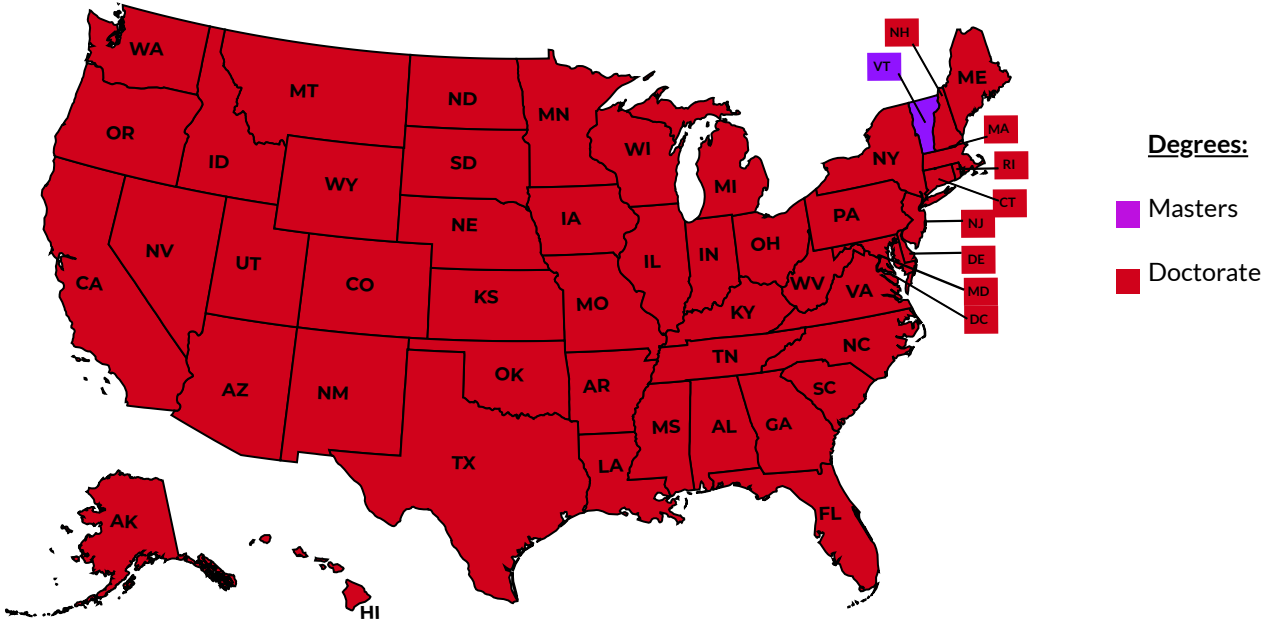
A person who holds a license issued under the state board to engage in the practice of psychology.

The practice of psychology involves the application of established principles of learning, motivation, perception, thinking, and emotional relationships to problems of personality evaluation, group relations, and behavior adjustment. The application of said principles include, but is not restricted to, counseling and the use of psychological methods with persons or groups with adjustment problems in the areas of work, family, school, and personal relationships; measuring and testing of personality, intelligence, aptitudes, and emotions, and offering services as a psychological consultant.

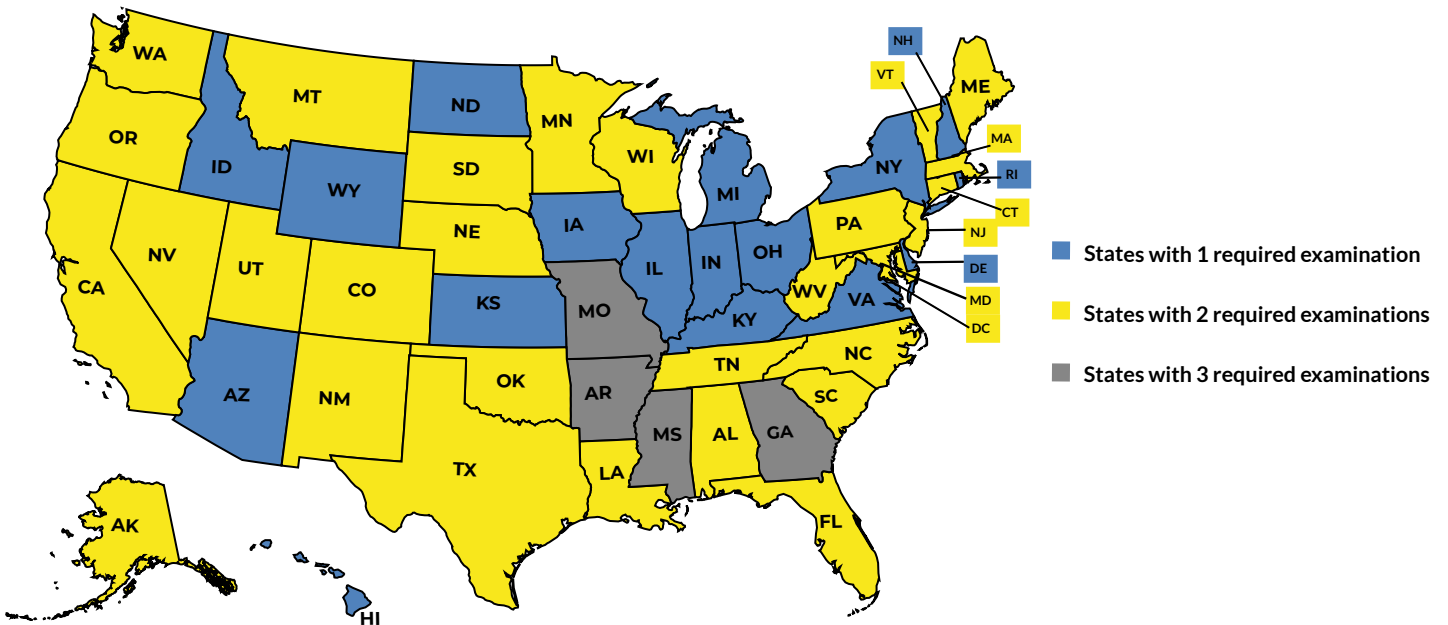
Psychologists with appropriate education, training and experience may diagnose and use psychological methods in the treatment of a mental, emotional or nervous illness or disability; alcoholism and other substance abuse; disorders of habit or conduct; psychological aspects of physical illness, accident, injury or disability; and psychoeducational evaluation, therapy, remediation and consultation.

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Degree Requirement

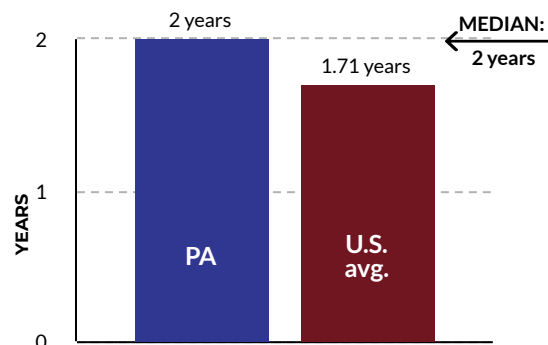
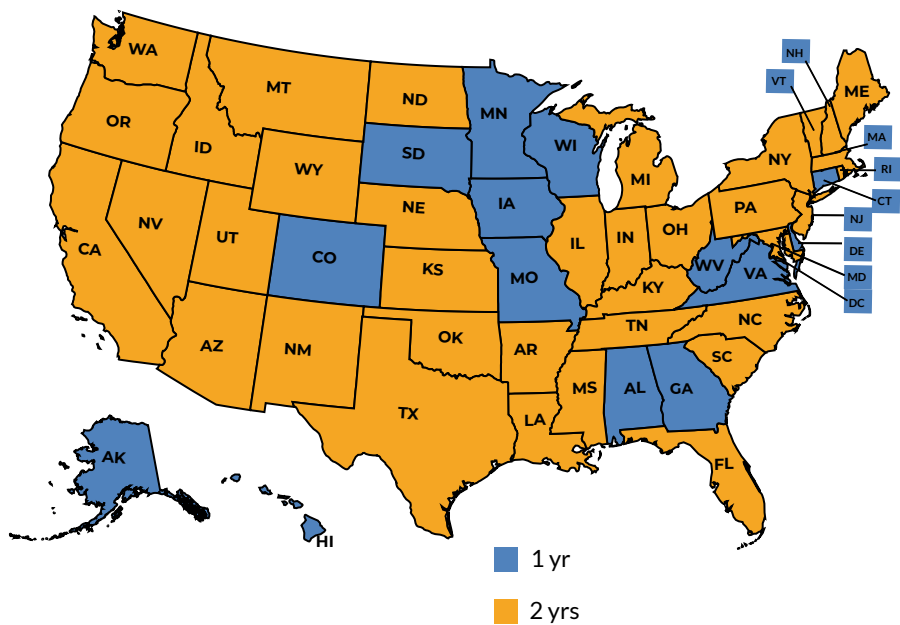


Examination Requirement



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Training / Experience Requirement

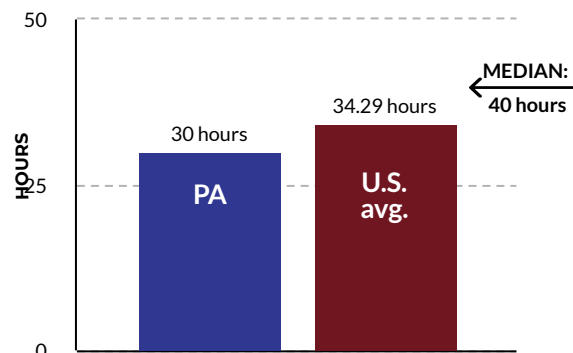
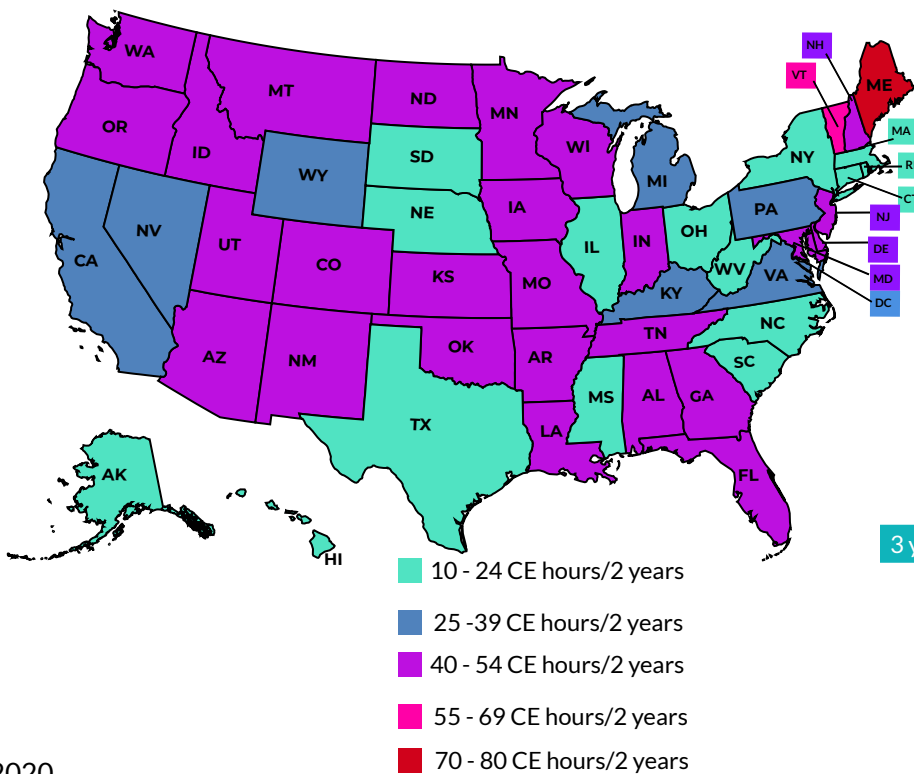


* Experience scale

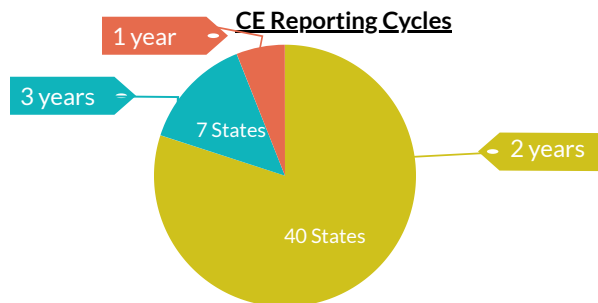
1 year = 1,600 hours - 2,080 hours

2 year = 2,080+ hours

Continuing Education Requirement

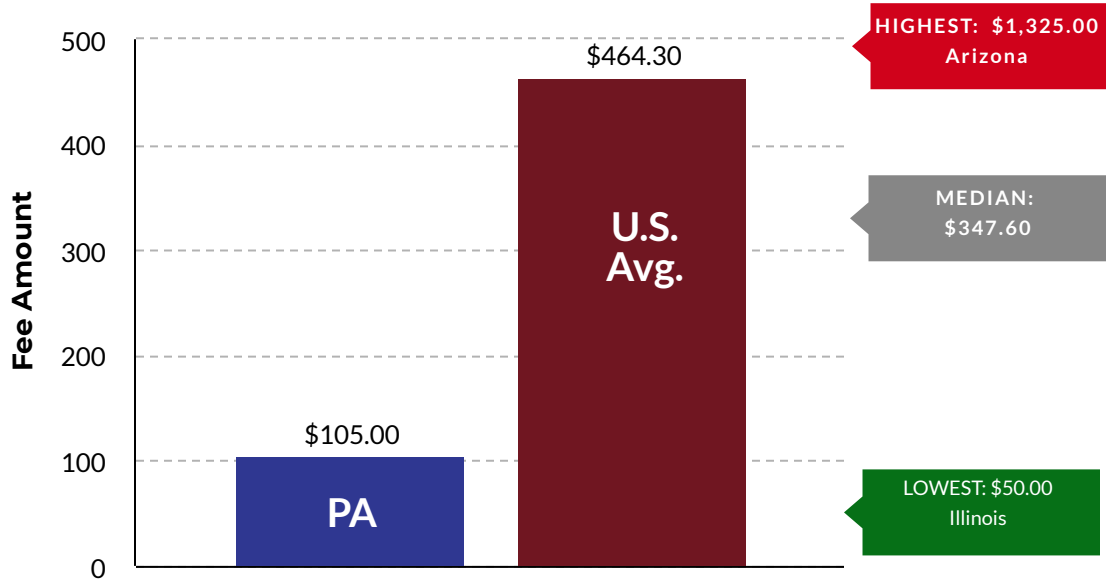


* To allow for comparison, CE requirements have been adjusted to 2-year reporting cycles.



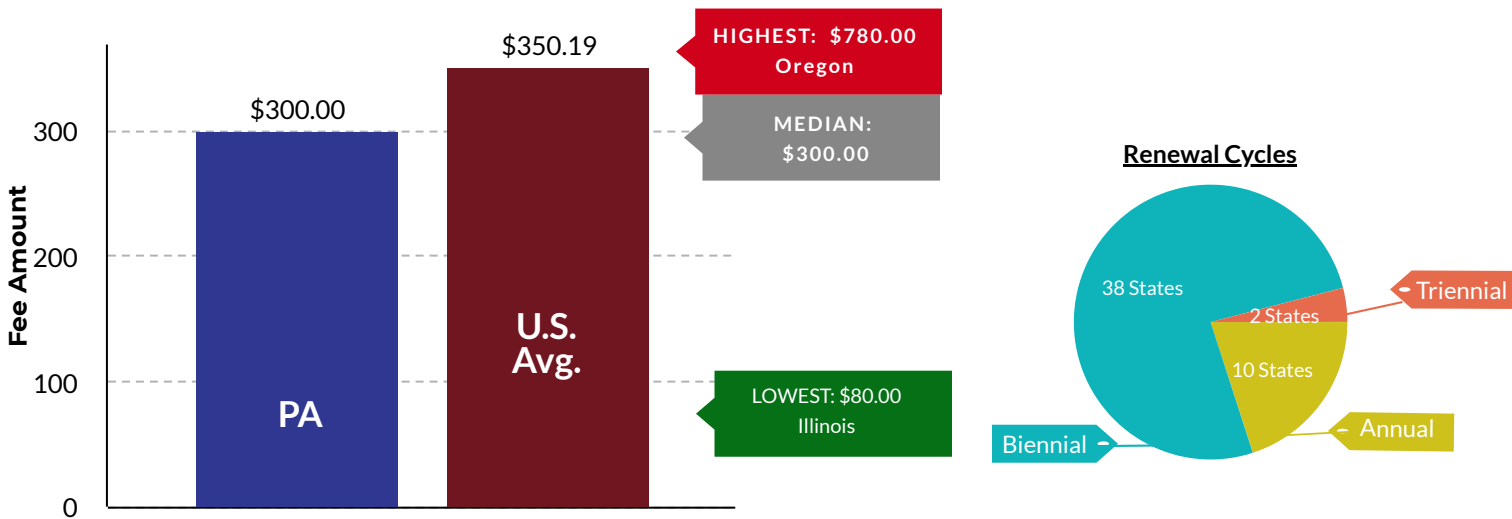
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Initial Licensing Fee



* Initial licensing fee comparison excludes examination fees, background check fees, and finger printing fees.

Renewal Fees



*To allow for comparisons, all fees have been adjusted to biennial renewal cycles

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States with Reciprocity or Endorsement

<u>Endorsement</u>	<u>Reciprocity</u>	<u>Not Specified in Legislation</u>
Colorado	Arkansas	Hawaii
Connecticut	California	Nevada
District of Columbia	Delaware	
Florida	Kansas	
Georgia	Kentucky	
Idaho	Louisiana	
Illinois	Maryland	
Indiana	Massachusetts	
Iowa	Minnesota	
Maine	Missouri	
Michigan	Nebraska	
Oregon	New Mexico	
Pennsylvania**	North Carolina	
Rhode Island	Ohio	
Tennessee	Oklahoma	
Utah	South Carolina	
Vermont	Texas	
Virginia	West Virginia	
Washington	Wisconsin	
Wyoming		

Credentials

- Alabama
- Alaska
- Arizona
- Mississippi
- Montana
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New York
- North Dakota
- South Dakota

**Act 41, signed by Governor Wolf on July 2, 2019, allows for portability of out-of-state professional licenses coming to work in Pennsylvania. Act 41 does this by granting all boards and commissions within the Commonwealth the authority to immediately endorse licensee from other states, territories or jurisdictions (with substantially equivalent licensing requirements) who are active, in good standing and without discipline against their license or criminal conviction. If a licensee comes from a jurisdiction that does not have substantially equal requirements for licensure, then the boards/commissions may grant a provisional license for a period of such time to allow the new resident to meet the necessary requirements, allowing them access to gainful employment in the interim.

Sources: State Licensing Boards

Alabama
<http://psychology.alabama.gov/>

Alaska
<https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/professionallicensing/boardofpsychologists.aspx>

Arizona
<https://psychboard.az.gov/license>

Arkansas
<http://www.psychologyboard.arkansas.gov/>

California
<http://www.psychology.ca.gov/>

Colorado
<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Psychologist>

Connecticut
<http://www.portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing-Investigations/Psychology/Psychologist-Licensure-Requirements>

Delaware
<https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/psychology/>

District of Columbia
<https://doh.dc.gov/service/psychology-licensing>

Florida
<http://floridaspsychology.gov/>

Georgia
<http://sos.ga.gov/index.php/licensing/plb/44>

Hawaii
<http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/psychology/>

Idaho
<https://ibol.idaho.gov/IBOL/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=psy>

Illinois
<https://www.idfpr.com/profs/psych.asp>

Indiana
<https://www.in.gov/pla/psych.htm>

Iowa
<https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Psychology>

Kansas
<https://ksbsrb.ks.gov/professions/psychologists2>

Kentucky
<http://psy.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

Louisiana
<http://www.lsbsp.org/>

Maine
<http://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professionals/psychologists/>

Maryland
<https://health.maryland.gov/psych/Pages/home.aspx>

Massachusetts
<https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-psychologists>

Michigan
http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-72600_72603_27529_27552-59190--,00.html

Minnesota
<https://mn.gov/boards/psychology/>

Mississippi
<http://www.psychologyboard.ms.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

Missouri
<http://pr.mo.gov/psychologists.asp>

Montana
<http://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/psy>

Nebraska
<http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Psychology.aspx>

Nevada
<http://psyexam.nv.gov/>

New Hampshire
<https://www.opic.nh.gov/psychologists/index.htm>

New Jersey
<http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/psy/>

New Mexico
http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/psychologist_examiners.aspx

New York
<http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/psych/psychlic.htm>

North Carolina
<http://www.ncpsychologyboard.org/>

North Dakota
<http://www.ndsbpe.org/index.html>

Ohio
<http://www.psychology.ohio.gov/>

Oklahoma
<https://www.ok.gov/psychology/>

Oregon
http://www.oregon.gov/obpe/pages/app_info.aspx

Pennsylvania
<http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Psychology/Pages/default.aspx>

Rhode Island
<http://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=241>

South Carolina
<https://lir.sc.gov/psych/faq.aspx>

South Dakota
<https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/psych.aspx>

Tennessee
<https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/psychology-board.html>

Texas
<https://www.tsbsp.texas.gov/>

Utah
<https://dopl.utah.gov/licensing/psychology.html>

Vermont
<https://www.sec.state.vt.us/professional-regulation/list-of-professions/psychological-examiners.aspx>

Virginia
<https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/psychology/>

Washington
<https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/Psychologist>

West Virginia
<https://psychbd.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

Wisconsin
<https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/Psychologist/Default.aspx>

Wyoming
<http://psychology.wyo.gov/>