



External conditions and additional requirements relating to IWU degree programs

A student meeting all admission requirements and fulfilling all published requirements to earn a particular IWU degree or certificate will be awarded the appropriate credential upon completion of all degree/certificate requirements. The IWU credential is not sufficient in itself for employment in certain fields of study that are regulated by state, federal, or professional licensure or other certification obligations. This document details the known additional external obligations related to IWU degree/certificate programs. General statements regarding accreditations and state authorizations are followed by statements specific to particular fields of study.

Accreditation

Indiana Wesleyan University is accredited by the [Higher Learning Commission](#). Fifteen programmatic accrediting agencies accredit individual IWU academic programs. Eleven specialized professional associations (SPAs) certify IWU's various teacher education specializations. Details on IWU's accreditations are shared on the IWU [Accreditations webpage](#).

State Authorization

Public higher education in the state of Indiana is regulated by the [Indiana Commission for Higher Education](#). Private higher education (such as IWU) in Indiana is not regulated, except that the Commission for Higher Education provides the student compliant processing obligation required by the federal Department of Education.

IWU is approved in all states in which it operates by the regulatory body appropriate to the state in question. More information on state authorizations can be obtained from the Office of Compliance (765-677-2868). Approval for online educational activities in most other states is provided by IWU's membership in the [National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements](#).

Specific Academic Programs

Accounting

IWU offers the Associate of Science (AS) in Accounting, the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Accounting, the Master of Science (MS) in Accounting, and the Master of Business Administration (MBA) with a specialization in Accounting.

Any number of jobs in accounting require no further certification. Certification as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) requires a specific educational background in accounting and passage of the CPA exam. In Indiana, a person may sit for the CPA exam if they have a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university, such as Indiana Wesleyan University, and at least 150 college credits, including specific coursework in accounting. Details are available at:

<https://www.accountingedu.org/indiana-cpa.html>

Athletic Training

The Indiana Wesleyan University Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE). Graduates of the program are eligible to sit for the Athletic Trainer Certification Exam sponsored by the Board of Certification for the Athletic Trainer (<https://www.bocatc.org/>). Successful completion of the certification exam permits the graduate to apply for state licensure as a licensed athletic trainer. In Indiana, licensure is provided by the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency (<https://www.in.gov/pla/athletic.htm>). Outcomes data on the success of IWU athletic training graduates are provided here: <https://www.indwes.edu/undergraduate/division-of-health-and-human-performance/bs-athletic-training> .

Counseling

Preparation for professional counselors is provided by the IWU Division of Graduate Counseling (<https://www.indwes.edu/adult-graduate/programs/ma-counseling/>). The Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling, the Master of Arts in School Counseling, and the Master of Arts in Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy are accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) (<https://www.cacrep.org>). The Master of Arts in Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy is also accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) (<https://coamfte.org/>). The Master of Arts in Clinical Addictions Counseling is accredited by the National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC) (<https://nasacaccreditation.org/>).

Counseling program graduates are eligible to sit for appropriate licensing exams and apply for state licensing. In Indiana, licensing is administered by the Behavioral Health and Human Services Licensing Board (<https://www.in.gov/pla/social.htm>) of the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency.

The exam for clinical mental health counseling is the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC) National Clinical Mental Health Counselor Examination (NCMHCE) (<https://www.nbcc.org/exams/ncmhce>).

The exams for addictions counseling are the Alcohol & Drug Counselors (ADC) examination administered by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC & RC) (<https://internationalcredentialing.org/>) utilized by Indiana Counselors Association of Alcohol & Drug Abuse (ICAADA) and the National Certified Addiction Counselor II (NCAC II) administered by the NAADAC-National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NAADAC-NCC AP) (<https://www.naadac.org/certification>) utilized by the Indiana Association for Addicted Professionals (IAAP).

The exam for marriage and family counseling/therapy is the Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Regulatory Board (AMFTRB) examination (<https://amftrb.org/>).

Testing and licensing for school counselors is administered by the Indiana Department of Education (<https://www.doe.in.gov/licensing>).

Financial Planning

Three IWU programs, the B.S. in Business Administration in Financial Planning, the Certificate in Financial Planning, and the MBA in Personal Financial Planning are recognized by the Certified Financial Planning Board (<https://www.cfp.net/>). As such, they satisfy the education requirement of the CFP Board, qualifying the graduate to sit for the CFP exam on the path to becoming a Certified Financial Planner.

Music Therapy

The IWU Bachelor of Arts in Music Therapy is approved by the American Music Therapy Association (AMTA) (<https://www.musictherapy.org/>). As such, program graduates are eligible to sit for the national board certification exam to obtain the credential MT-BC (Music Therapist - Board Certified) which is necessary for professional practice. The credential MT-BC is granted by a separate, accredited organization, the Certification Board for Music Therapists (CBMT) (<https://www.cbmt.org/>).

Nursing

The IWU Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Transition to Nursing programs are accredited by CCNE, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<https://www.aacnursing.org/CCNE>) and accredited by the Indiana State Board of Nursing (<https://www.in.gov/pla/nursing.htm>). As such, program graduates are eligible to sit for the NCLEX exam (<https://www.ncsbn.org/nclex.htm>) to become licensed registered nurses in the state of Indiana.

Occupational Therapy

IWU offers the Occupational Therapy Doctorate (OTD) and the Associate of Science (AS) in Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA).

Graduates of the IWU OTD program are eligible to sit for the national certification examination for the occupational therapist administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy ([NBCOT](#)). After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be an Occupational Therapist, Registered (OTR). In addition, all states require licensure in order to practice; however, state licenses are usually based on the results of the NBCOT Certification Examination. In Indiana, licensure is provided by the [Indiana Professional Licensing Agency](#). Note that a felony conviction may affect a graduate's ability to sit for the NBCOT certification examination or attain state licensure.

The National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy reports the certification exam outcomes for all occupational therapy programs at the following link:

<https://secure.nbcot.org/data/schoolstats.aspx>

Principal Licensure

The IWU Principal Licensure Certificate program prepares program graduates to sit for the Building Level Administrator content licensure exam administered by the Indiana Office of Educator Licensing (<https://www.doe.in.gov/licensing>).

Social Work

The Bachelor of Science in Social Work and Master of Science in Social Work programs are accredited by CSWE (the Council on Social Work Education) (<https://www.cswe.org/>). As such, program graduates are eligible to sit for the board examination and apply for licensure through the Behavioral Health and Human Services Licensing Board of the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency (<https://www.in.gov/pla/social.htm>) to practice as licensed social workers.

Teacher Education

The teacher preparation programs at IWU are accredited by CAEP (the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation) (<http://caepnet.org/>) and approved (<https://www.doe.in.gov/sites/default/files/licensing/indiana-wesleyan-2019.pdf>) by the Indiana Department of Education (<https://www.doe.in.gov/>). As such, program graduates are eligible to sit for licensure exams (<https://www.doe.in.gov/licensing/educator-testing>) with the Indiana Office of Educator Licensing.