The Rutgers Clinical Psychology Ph.D. Program makes every effort to ensure state licensure or certification information is current; however, state requirements may change. If you are planning to pursue professional licensure or certification, it is strongly recommended that you contact the appropriate licensing entity in that state to seek information and guidance regarding licensure or certification requirements before beginning an academic program.

For more information on professional licensure preparation in clinical psychology, please contact Dr. Edward Selby at edward.selby@rutgers.edu or visit the Rutgers professional licensure disclosure page.

The doctoral program in Clinical Psychology at Rutgers is accredited by APA (American Psychological Association) and PCSAS (Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System). APA accreditation is recognized in all 50 states as providing required education for psychology license eligibility. State Boards of Psychology determine training requirements for licensure and typically include post-doctoral training as well as examinations beyond the educational requirements so a doctoral degree from Rutgers in Clinical Psychology is not sufficient to meet licensure requirements in most states. Students should confirm state licensing requirements directly with the state they are interested in licensure. ASPPB (Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards) provides a compendium called PsyBook https://www.asppb.net/page/psybook which summarizes requirements for each state that may be a helpful resource for students determining vocational location and licensing requirements.

Generally, the way licensure works in clinical psychology, is (1) complete an approved education program. APA accredited programs are recognized in all states although some states impose additional education and training requirements; (2) complete an APPIC (Association of Psychology and Postdoctoral Internship Centers) accredited full-time one year internship—internship is a requirement for the degree if you are in an APA accredited program such as Rutgers Clinical Ph.D. and APPIC coordinates a nationwide internship match for students each year; (3) complete a 1 year post-doctoral fellowship with supervised clinical experience under the appropriate license or registration for the state you are located in (some states do not require a post-doc); (4) take the national (EPPP—Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology) and state examinations required; (5) complete any additional requirements for the state you are seeking licensure in (typically background checks and credential verifications but some states have some specific training requirements as well).

Below is a state by state listing of our recent understanding of educational requirements based largely on the annual review by ASPPB to give you a general idea of how well the Rutgers Clinical Ph.D. Program fits with the educational requirements of each state. You should directly check the web sites of the State Licensing Board you are interested in for the most accurate and up to date information on educational and other requirements for licensure as there is no guarantee that our summary or ASPPB’s is entirely accurate and up to date.
State Licensing Boards

Alabama
Board of Examiners in Psychology  [http://psychology.alabama.gov/](http://psychology.alabama.gov/)
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Alabama educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Alaska
The Board of Psychologists and Psychological Associate Examiners  [https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofPsychologists.aspx](https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofPsychologists.aspx)
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Alaska educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Arizona
Board of Psychologist Examiners  [https://psychboard.az.gov/verification-license](https://psychboard.az.gov/verification-license)
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Arizona educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Arkansas
Psychology Board  [https://www.ark.org/abep/index.html](https://www.ark.org/abep/index.html)
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Arkansas educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

California
Board of Psychology  [https://www.psychology.ca.gov/](https://www.psychology.ca.gov/)
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA and PCSAS does not meet California educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. California accepts accredited programs like Rutgers Psychology Department’s program to meet educational degree requirements; but California also requires additional specific coursework or continuing education training prior to licensure. Specifically, CA licensure requires 10 hours of training in human sexuality, 7 hours of training in child abuse assessment, 15 hours in spousal/partner abuse, detection and intervention strategies, 10 hours in aging and long-term care, and 1 semester or 1 quarter term course in alcoholism/chemical dependency detection and treatment. Students wishing to become licensed in California are advised to work with the Rutgers Clinical Ph.D. program to tailor their electives to meet these additional training requirements. While Rutgers Psychology Department’s clinical psychology program does not require this content per se, there are many electives at Rutgers and community training events in New Jersey that are available for students to assist them in preparing for licensure in California.

Colorado
Department of Regulatory Agencies Division of Professions and Occupations  [https://dpo.colorado.gov/Psychology](https://dpo.colorado.gov/Psychology)
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Colorado educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist candidate. Psychologist candidate is a pre-exam stepping stone to full psychologist in Colorado.
Connecticut
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Connecticut educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Delaware
Division of Professional Regulation Board of Examiners of Psychologists  https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/psychology/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Delaware educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

District of Columbia
DC Health Board of Psychology  https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/160282
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets District of Columbia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Florida
Board of Psychology  https://floridaspsychology.gov/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Florida educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Georgia
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Georgia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Hawaii
Department of Commerce and Human Affairs Professional & Vocational Licensing Division Board of Psychology  http://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/psychology/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Hawaii educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Idaho
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Idaho educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Illinois
Clinical Psychologists Licensing and Disciplinary Board  https://www.idfpr.com/profs/Boards/PSY.asp
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Illinois educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.
Indiana
State Psychology Board https://www.in.gov/pla/psych.htm
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology—accredited by APA and PCSAS—meets Indiana educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Iowa
Board of Psychology https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Psychology
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology—accredited by APA and PCSAS—meets Iowa educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Kansas
Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board https://ksbsrb.ks.gov/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology—accredited by APA and PCSAS—meets Kansas educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Kentucky
Public Protection Cabinet Office of Occupations and Professions Board of Psychology http://psy.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology—accredited by APA and PCSAS—meets Kentucky educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Louisiana
State Board of Examiners of Psychologists http://www.lsbep.org/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology—accredited by APA and PCSAS—meets Louisiana educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Maine
Board of Examiners of Psychologists https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/psychologists/index.html
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology—accredited by APA and PCSAS—meets Maine educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Maryland
Department of Health Board of Examiners of Psychologists https://health.maryland.gov/psych/Pages/home.aspx
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology—accredited by APA and PCSAS—meets Maryland educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Massachusetts
Board of Registration of Psychologists https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-psychologists
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology—accredited by APA and PCSAS—meets Massachusetts educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Michigan
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA and PCSAS does not meet Michigan educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. Michigan accepts accredited programs like Rutgers Psychology Department’s program to meet educational degree requirements; but Michigan also requires additional specific coursework or continuing education training prior to licensure. Specifically, Michigan requires additional training in identifying victims of human trafficking before being approved for licensure. See Michigan admin code R.338-2525 for several possibilities that meet this requirement ranging from reading an article to taking a continuing education workshop https://casetext.com/regulation/michigan-administrative-code/department-licensing-and-regulatory-affairs/bureau-of-professional-licensing/board-of-psychology/board-of-psychology-general-rules/part-1-general-provisions/section-r-3382525-training-standards-for-identifying-victims-of-human-trafficking-requirements.

Minnesota
Board of Psychology https://mn.gov/boards/psychology/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Minnesota educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Mississippi
Board of Psychology https://www.psychologyboard.ms.gov/Pages/default.aspx
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Mississippi educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Missouri
Division of Professional Registration Committee of Psychologists https://pr.mo.gov/psychologists.asp
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Missouri educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Montana
Department of Labor & Industry Board of Psychology http://boardsbsd.dli.mt.gov/psy
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Montana educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Nebraska
Department of Health & Human Services Psychology http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Psychology.aspx
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Nebraska educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Nevada
Board of Psychological Examiners http://psyexam.nv.gov/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology--accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Nevada educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.
New Hampshire
**Board of Psychologists** [https://www.oplc.nh.gov/psychologists/](https://www.oplc.nh.gov/psychologists/)
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology - accredited by APA and PCSAS -- meets New Hampshire educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

New Jersey
**New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs State Board of Psychological Affairs** [https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/psy/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/psy/Pages/default.aspx)
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology - accredited by APA and PCSAS -- meets New Jersey educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

New Mexico
**Psychologist Examiners** [http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Psychologist_Examiners.aspx](http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Psychologist_Examiners.aspx)
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology - accredited by APA and PCSAS -- meets New Mexico educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

New York
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA and PCSAS does not meet New York educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. New York's required coursework includes at least three graduate semester hours or five graduate quarter hours in each of the following seven substantive content areas: biological basis of behavior; cognitive-affective basis of behavior; social basis of behavior; individual differences; psychometrics; history and systems of psychology; and research design, methodology, and statistics. Rutgers Psychology Department’s program is aligned with the most up-to-date standards of APA accreditation which does not require coverage of these seven areas in separate courses. Rutgers does require three semester hours in: history and systems, biological-affective basis of behavior, cognitive basis of behavior, social basis of behavior, individual differences (psychopathology), and research design and statistics. Rutgers’ program does not require a separate course for the remaining content areas. New York does not specify that they accept APA accreditation without additional course review. Therefore, students intending to apply for licensure in New York are advised to work closely with the Rutgers Clinical Ph.D. Program’s Director of Clinical Training to choose electives available at Rutgers that will meet New York’s requirements.

North Carolina
**Psychology Board** [http://www.ncpsychologyboard.org/](http://www.ncpsychologyboard.org/)
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology - accredited by APA and PCSAS -- meets North Carolina educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

North Dakota
**State Board of Psychology Examiners** [http://www.ndsbpe.org/index.html](http://www.ndsbpe.org/index.html)
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology accredited by APA and PCSAS does not meet North Dakota educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist. North Dakota accepts accredited programs like Rutgers Psychology Department’s program to meet educational degree requirements; but North Dakota specifies that telepsych may not replace face to face supervision requirements. During the COVID pandemic, Rutgers is utilizing telepsych to replace many
previously in person client and supervision sessions. It is advised that students interested in North Dakota check directly with the North Dakota licensing authority regarding COVID exceptions for telepsych. Rutgers plans to return to face to face services and supervision when it is safe to do so and expects to meet North Dakota requirements at that time even if North Dakota does not make COVID adjustments to its expectations.

Ohio
Board of Psychology  https://psychology.ohio.gov/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology - accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets Ohio educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Oklahoma
State Board of Examiners of Psychologists  https://www.ok.gov/psychology/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology - accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets Oklahoma educational requirements to apply for licensure as a Practice Under Supervision Psychologist (Institutional or Private Practice). Completion of post-doctoral supervision is required to apply for the psychologist license.

Oregon
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology - accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets Oregon educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Pacific Territories
Rutgers Clinical Ph.D. Program has not determined whether completion of the doctoral program in clinical psychology – accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets educational requirements to apply for registration or licensure as psychologist in Pacific Territories.

Pennsylvania
State Board of Psychology
https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Psychology/Pages/default.aspx
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Pennsylvania educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Puerto Rico
Rutgers Clinical Ph.D. Program has not determined whether completion of the doctoral program in clinical psychology – accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets educational requirements to apply for registration or licensure as psychologist in Puerto Rico.

Rhode Island
Department of Health: Psychology  https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=241
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS--meets Rhode Island educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

South Carolina
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets South Carolina educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

South Dakota
Board of Examiners of Psychologists  https://dss.sd.gov/licensingboards/psych/psych.aspx
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets South Dakota educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Tennessee
Department of Health: Board of Examiners of Psychology  https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/psychology-board.html
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets Tennessee educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Texas
Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists  https://www.tsbep.texas.gov/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited accredited by APA and PCSAS meets Texas educational requirements to apply for licensure as a provisional psychologist. Provisional Psychologist is a pre-requisite to full psychologist in Texas.

Utah
Department of Commerce Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing: Psychology  https://dopl.utah.gov/psych/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets Utah educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

U.S. Virgin Islands
Board of Psychology Examiners  http://usvipsychologyboard.com/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets U.S. Virgin Islands educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Vermont
Board of Psychological Examiners  https://governor.vermont.gov/boards_and_commissions/psychological_examiners
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets Vermont educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Virginia
Department of Health Professions Board of Psychology  https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/psychology/
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets Virginia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Washington
Examining Board of Psychology
https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/Psychologist/BoardInformation
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets Washington educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

West Virginia
Board of Examiners of Psychologists  https://psychbd.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets West Virginia educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Wisconsin
Department of Safety and Professional Services: Psychologist  https://dps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/Psychologist/Default.aspx
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets Wisconsin educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.

Wyoming
Wyoming Mental Health Professions Licensing Board  https://mentalhealth.wyo.gov/home
Completion of Rutgers Psychology Department’s doctoral program in clinical psychology- accredited by APA and PCSAS-- meets Wyoming educational requirements to apply for licensure as a psychologist.