

# Marriage and Family Therapists

License Type	Degree	Education	Experience	Supervision	Examination
MFT	Currently Licensed as an AMFT		<p>The applicant must document two years of fulltime post-master's experience or its equivalent, under direction and supervision:</p> <p>1. Such experience shall have been in the practice of marriage and family therapy and shall include a minimum of 2,000 hours of direct clinical experience.</p> <p>2. For applicants who have worked less than full-time, equivalent experience may be accrued over a total of not less than two years and not more than five years.</p>	<p>The applicant must have obtained 100 hours of supervision; concurrent with his/her documented experience.</p> <p>1. Such supervision shall have been provided by a licensed marriage and family therapist, professional counselor, clinical social worker, psychiatrist or psychologist; and,</p> <p>2. A minimum of 50 of these 100 hours must have been in individual supervision and a maximum of 50 of these 100 hours may have been in group supervision.</p>	<p>The applicant is not required to re-take the Examination in Marriage and Family Therapy following Board approval of his/her application for licensure as a marriage and family therapist.</p>

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MFT	Masters Degree but not currently licensed as an AMFT	<p>The applicant must have earned a master’s degree in marriage and family therapy, counseling, social work, medicine, applied psychology, psychiatric nursing, pastoral counseling, applied child and family development, applied sociology, or from any program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education. Such degree shall be from an educational institution which, at the time the degree was awarded, was accredited by a regional body recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).</p> <p>1. For the purpose of licensure under this rule, a degree in psychology, child and family development or sociology shall be considered an applied degree and a degree in divinity or in theology shall be considered a degree in pastoral counseling, if the applicant has completed, as part of the degree program or as additional post-master’s coursework, either of the following two options:</p> <p>(i) three courses in clinical content areas; or</p> <p>(ii) two courses in clinical content areas, plus an approved practicum or internship, which shall include a minimum of 500 hours of direct clinical experience in the practice of professional counseling, clinical social work or marriage and family therapy. The coursework required under this section shall be in addition to the five courses required in 2 below.</p> <p>2. The applicant shall have completed, as part of the degree program or as additional post-master’s coursework, at least two courses in Marriage and Family Therapy, two courses in Marriage and Family Studies, and one course in Marriage and Family Therapy Ethics. These courses shall have been obtained from an educational institution accredited by a regional body recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation or from a training institute which offers Board approved graduate level courses.</p> <p>3. A person who has completed one of the required master’s degrees with the intention of pursuing licensure as a marriage and family therapist may, but is not required to, register a contract for post-graduate experience and supervision with the Board.</p>	<p>The applicant must document three years of fulltime post-master’s experience or its equivalent, under direction and supervision, which shall include a minimum of 2,500 hours of direct clinical experience.</p> <p>1. One year of such experience may have been in an approved practicum before or after the granting of the master’s degree, which shall include a minimum of 500 hours of direct clinical experience in the practice of professional counseling, clinical social work or marriage and family therapy.</p> <p>2. At least two years of such experience shall have been in the practice of marriage and family therapy, which shall include a minimum of 2,000 hours of direct clinical experience.</p> <p>3. For applicants who have worked less than full-time, equivalent experience may be accrued over a total of not less than three years and not more than five years.</p>	<p>The applicant must have obtained 200 hours of supervision, concurrent with his/her documented experience.</p> <p>1. Such supervision shall have been provided by a licensed marriage and family therapist, professional counselor, clinical social worker, psychiatrist or psychologist.</p> <p>2. At least 100 hours of such supervision shall have been provided by an American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Approved Supervisor, a Georgia Board Approved Marriage and Family Therapy Supervisor, or a person who was receiving supervision-of supervision in order to qualify for either designation. A minimum of 50 of these 100 hours must have been in individual supervision and a maximum of 50 of these 100 hours may have been in group supervision.</p> <p>3. Up to 100 hours of such supervision may have been obtained during an approved practicum before or after the granting of the master’s degree.</p>	

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MFT	Doctoral Degree	<p>The applicant must have earned a doctoral degree in marriage and family therapy, counseling, social work, medicine, applied psychology, psychiatric nursing, pastoral counseling, applied child and family development, applied sociology, or from any program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education. Such degree shall be from an educational institution which, at the time the degree was awarded, was accredited by a regional body recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).</p> <p>1. For the purpose of licensure under this rule, a degree in psychology, child and family development or sociology shall be considered an applied degree and a degree in divinity or in theology shall be considered a degree in pastoral counseling, if the applicant has completed, as part of the degree program or as additional post-doctoral coursework, either of the following two options:</p> <p>(i) three courses in clinical content areas; or</p> <p>(ii) two courses in clinical content areas, plus an approved practicum or internship, which shall include a minimum of 500 hours of direct clinical experience in the practice of professional counseling, clinical social work or marriage and family therapy. The coursework required under this section shall be in addition to the five courses required in 2 below.</p> <p>2. The applicant shall have completed, as part of a master's or doctoral degree program, or as additional post-graduate degree coursework, at least two courses in Marriage and Family Therapy, two courses in Marriage and Family Studies, and one course in Marriage and Family Therapy Ethics. These courses shall have been obtained from an educational institution accredited by a regional body recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) or from a training institute which offers Board approved graduate level courses.</p> <p>3. A person who has completed one of the required doctoral degrees with the intention of pursuing licensure as a marriage and family therapist may, but is not required to, register a contract for post-graduate experience and supervision with the Board.</p>	<p>The applicant must document two years of fulltime post-master's or post doctorate experience in the practice of marriage and family therapy, under direction and supervision, which shall include a minimum of 1,500 hours of direct clinical experience.</p> <p>1. One year of such experience may have been in an approved internship program before or after the granting of the doctoral degree, which shall include a minimum of 500 hours of direct clinical experience.</p> <p>2. At least one year of such experience shall have been full-time post-master's or post doctorate experience, which shall include a minimum of 1,000 hours of direct clinical experience.</p>	<p>The applicant must have obtained 100 hours of supervision, concurrent with their documented experience.</p> <p>1. Such supervision shall have been provided by a licensed marriage and family therapist, professional counselor, clinical social worker, psychiatrist or psychologist, who was also an American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Approved Supervisor, a Georgia Board Approved Marriage and Family Therapy Supervisor, or a person who was receiving supervision-of-supervision in order to qualify for either designation.</p> <p>2. A maximum of 50 of these 100 hours may have been obtained during the applicant's doctoral degree or internship program.</p> <p>3. A minimum of 50 of these 100 hours must have been in individual supervision and a maximum of 50 of these 100 hours may have been in group supervision.</p>	