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**State Licensure Information: South Dakota**

**Licensing Board:** [Board of Examiners](#)

**Accreditation Information:** Regional accreditation

The University of Massachusetts Global is regionally accredited under the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)

**Degree Program total unit requirement:** 48 Semester Credits

**Course equivalency:** One (1) course is equal to three (3) semester credits (units)

**Courses or course work required for Mental Health Practitioner License:**

1. Counseling Theory
2. Counseling Techniques
3. Human Growth and Development
4. Social and Cultural Foundations
5. Group Counseling
6. Lifestyle and Career Development
7. Appraisal of the Individual
8. Research and Evaluation
9. Professional, Legal, and Ethical Considerations

**Courses required compared to UMG courses offered.**

South Dakota Course Work	UMass Global Equivalency
Counseling Theory	PSYU 520 – Advanced Individual Therapy I
Counseling Techniques	PSYU 521 Advanced Individual Therapy II
Human Growth and Development	PSYU 522 – Individual and Family Development
Social and Cultural Foundations	PSYU 524 – Clinical Issues in Human Diversity
Group Counseling	PSYU 530 – Theory and Practice of Group Therapy
Lifestyle and Career Development	PSYU 545 – Transition to Work and Career
Appraisal of Individuals	PSYU 534 – Clinical Assessment
Research and Evaluation	PSYU 528 - Research and Bibliographic Methods
Professional, Legal, and Ethical Considerations	PSYU 506 - Ethics and Professional Issues

**Practicum requirements:**

Practicum I / Pre-Practicum	Supervision	Practicum I, II & III / Internship	Supervision	Total Practicum Experience
40 hours of direct client contact  52 hours of clinical practice  <b>100 total clocked hours</b>	8 hours of individual supervision or 16 hours of group supervision	240 hours of direct client contact  312 hours of clinical practice  <b>600 total clocked hours</b>	48 hours of individual supervision or 96 hours of group supervision	280 hours of direct client contact  A minimum of 56 individual supervision hours  <b>700 total clocked hours</b>