

Medical Laboratory Science Licensure Disclosures

Graduates earning the Bachelor of Science in Biology degree with the Medical Lab Science (MLS) option at MSUB are immediately eligible to become nationally certified. Certification is accomplished by passing the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) Board of Certification Medical Laboratory Scientist Exam. See additional information for ASCP Certification [here](#). The profession of Medical Laboratory Scientist does not require a license in certain states. However, certain states do require a license to practice in this field. Requirements for licensure vary from state to state. The ASCP Board of Certification examinations have been approved for licensure purposes by the state of Montana as well as the following states/territories that require licensure. States without laws requiring licensure of medical laboratory scientists primarily accept ASCP Certification as a qualified credential to perform laboratory testing. [See additional state licensure information from the ASCP here.](#)

In addition to the educational requirements for licensure in Montana, the following additional requirements must be met:

- Must have passed a technician examination offered by a national certifying body for clinical laboratory technicians (Clinical Laboratory Technician License)
- Must have passed a specialist examination offered by a national certifying body for clinical laboratory specialists (Clinical Laboratory Specialist License)
- Must have passed a generalist examination offered by a national certifying body for clinical laboratory scientists (Clinical Laboratory Scientist License)

Students should also be aware that criminal background, citizenship status, residency, age, and other factors may be a condition for licensure in Montana. Students are advised to review all available information on the [Montana Board of Clinical Laboratory Science Practitioners website.](#)

The following information indicates MSUB’s most recent evaluation of whether its Bachelor of Science in Biology with the MLS option program meets the educational prerequisites required for licensure in each state.

State	Status for Meeting Educational Requirements for Licensure	State Licensing Board Contact Information
Alabama	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Alaska	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Arizona	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Arkansas	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	

California	Does Meet	California Department of Public Health PO Box 997377 MS 0500 Sacramento, CA 95899-7377 916-558-1784 Website: https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OSPHL D/LFS/Pages/CLS.aspx
Colorado	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Connecticut	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Delaware	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
District of Columbia	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Florida	Does Meet	Department of Health Division of Medical Quality Assurance Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel 4052 Bald Cypress Way Bin C-07 Tallahassee, FL 32399-3258 850-245-4355 health@flhealth.gov Website: https://floridasclinicallabs.gov
Georgia	Does Not Meet	
Hawaii	Does Meet	Hawaii Department of Health State La- boratory Division 2725 Waimano Home Road Pearl City, Hawaii 96782 808-586-4400 doh.sld@doh.hawaii.gov Website: https://health.hawaii.gov/statelab/licensing/
Idaho	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Illinois	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Indiana	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Iowa	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Kansas	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Kentucky	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	

Louisiana	Does Meet	Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners 630 Camp Street New Orleans, LA 70130 Phone: 504-568-6820 Website: https://www.lsbme.la.gov/licensure/clinical@laboratory-personnel
Maine	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Maryland	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Massachusetts	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Michigan	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Minnesota	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Mississippi	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Missouri	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Montana	Does Meet	Montana Department of Commerce Board of Clinical Laboratory Science Practitioners PO Box 200513 Helena, MT 59620-0513 406-444-6880 DLIBSDHELP@MT.GOV Website: https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/clinical@laboratory-science-practitioners
Nebraska	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Nevada	Does Meet	Nevada Bureau of Licensure and Certification Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) 4150 Technology Way Carson City, NV 89706 775-684-4200 dpbh@health.nv.gov Website: https://dpbh.nv.gov/Reg/MedicalLabs/Medical_Lab_Personnel_Licensing
New Hampshire	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
New Jersey	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
New Mexico	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
New York	Does Meet	Office of the Professions, Clinical Laboratory Technology Board Office 518-474-3817, Press 1 then ext. 570 http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/clt/clpctlic.htm

North Carolina	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
North Dakota	Does Meet	North Dakota Board of Clinical Laboratory Practice P.O. Box 4103 Bismarck, ND 58502-4103 701-530-0199 Website: https://www.ndclinlab.com/
Ohio	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Oklahoma	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Oregon	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Pennsylvania	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Rhode Island	Does Not Meet	
South Carolina	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
South Dakota	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Tennessee	Does Meet	Tennessee Department of Health 710 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243 615-532-5128 Medlabs.Health@tn.gov Website: https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program%20areas/health-professional-boards/medlab%20board.ht
Texas	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Utah	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Vermont	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Virginia	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
Washington	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
West Virginia	Does Meet	West Virginia Office of Laboratory Services 167 11th Ave South Charleston, WV 25303 304-558-3530 dana.m.stillwagon@wv.gov Website: https://dhhr.wv.gov/ols
Wisconsin	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	

Wyoming	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
AMERICAN SAMOA	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
COMMONWEALTH OF NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
GUAM	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
PUERTO RICO	Does Not Meet	
REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
REPUBLIC OF PALAU	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	
U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS	License Not Required in this Jurisdiction	