

TITLE 16 OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
CHAPTER 63 SOCIAL WORKERS
PART 6 LICENSURE BY CREDENTIALS; RECIPROCITY

16.63.6.1 ISSUING AGENCY: Regulation and Licensing Department, Board of Social Work Examiners
P.O. Box 25101, Santa Fe, NM 87504
[16.63.6.1 NMAC – Rp, 16.63.6.1 NMAC, 3/13/2022]

16.63.6.2 SCOPE: All baccalaureate social workers, master social workers, and independent social workers.
[16.63.6.2 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.6.2 NMAC, 3/13/2022]

16.63.6.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: These parts are promulgated pursuant to the Social Work Practice Act, Subsection A of Section 61-31-8, 14-2-1, 61-31-19 NMSA 1978.
[16.63.6.3 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.6.3 NMAC, 3/13/2022]

16.63.6.4 DURATION: Permanent
[16.63.6.4 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.6.4 NMAC, 3/13/2022]

16.63.6.5 EFFECTIVE DATE: March 13, 2022, unless a different date is cited at the end of a section.
[16.63.6.5 NMAC – Rp, 16.63.6.5 NMAC, 3/13/2022]

16.63.6.6 OBJECTIVE: To state the minimum requirements for licensure by credentials.
[16.63.6.6 NMAC - Rp, 16.63.6.6 NMAC, 3/13/2022]

16.63.6.7 DEFINITIONS: [RESERVED]

16.63.6.8 QUALIFICATION FOR LICENSURE: A person seeking reciprocity in the state of New Mexico shall

- A.** possess a valid social worker license issued by the appropriate examining board under the laws of any other state or territory of the United States, the District of Columbia or any foreign nation, which license has been held for a minimum of two and one-half years;
- B.** be in good standing with no disciplinary action pending or brought against the applicant within the past two and one-half years;
- C.** possess a bachelor's or master's degree in social work from a program of social work accredited by the CSWE;
- D.** verify that the applicant has taken and passed the ASWB examination;
- E.** verify the applicant has completed one of the following:
 - (1)** a three credit hour course in New Mexico cultures listed on the applicants transcripts;
 - (2)** a board approved course, workshop or seminar in New Mexico cultures;
 - (3)** proof of previously passing the New Mexico cultural examination.
- F.** The applicant will not have to further verify the applicant's experience, schooling or degrees if the criteria pursuant to this section are met;

[16.63.6.8 NMAC – Rp, 16.63.6.8 NMAC, 3/13/2022]

16.63.6.9 APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE: Applicants for licensure by credentials; reciprocity must submit or cause to be submitted the following documentation to the board:

- A.** completed application;
- B.** two personal character references;
- C.** a 2" x 2" photograph of the applicant taken within the preceding six months affixed to the application;
- D.** completed form titled "statement of registration, or certification of licensure in another state", to be submitted directly to the board from the conferring agency;
- E.** test scores from ASWB exam;
- F.** non-refundable license fee as set forth in Part 7 to be assessed at the time of application.
- G.** proof of any disqualifying criminal convictions as listed in 16.63.13.9 NMAC.

[16.63.6.9 NMAC – Rp, 16.63.6.9 NMAC, 3/13/2022]

HISTORY OF 16.63.6 NMAC:

Pre-NMAC History: The material in this part was derived from that previously filed with the Commission of Public Records-State Records Center and Archives:

Rule 6, Licensure by Credentials, 12/1/1989.

Rule 6, Licensure by Credentials, 4/5/1991.

Rule 6, Licensure by Credentials, 4/22/1992.

History of Repealed Material:

16.63.6 NMAC – Licensure by Credentials; Reciprocity, filed 5/20/2002 was repealed and replaced by 16.63.6 NMAC Licensure by Credentials; Reciprocity, effective 3/13/2022.

Other History:

16.63.6 NMAC – Licensure by Credentials; Reciprocity, (filed 5/20/2002) replaced by 16.63.6 NMAC – Licensure by Credentials; Reciprocity, effective 3/13/2022.