

How to Apply to the Oregon *TSPC for an Initial I School Counseling License

*TSPC = Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

STEP 1

Begin the licensing process as soon as you receive either the "Congratulations, you are now eligible to apply for your license..." e-mail from the Educational Career and Licensing Services office or notification from TSPC that they have received a *Program Completion Form C-2*. Please note that if you apply for your license before you receive this notification, your license application will be **denied** by TSPC and you will have to reapply.

STEP 2

Request an official transcript from the Graduate Registrar's office at Lewis & Clark College and from any other colleges or universities from which you transferred credit for your license program. Your Lewis & Clark College transcript should show all courses required for the license, including course grades and degree, if required. If you have not already done so, you must submit with this application to TSPC a transcript showing your master's degree. **Your official Lewis & Clark transcript can be sent electronically to TSPC; all other official transcripts should be sent to you at your home address in individually sealed envelopes.**

<http://www.lclark.edu/graduate/offices/registrar/transcripts/>

STEP 3

All TSPC-required forms are available on their website at: <http://www.tspc.state.or.us/forms.asp?op=5&id=0>.

- Complete TSPC's *Application for Educator License Form C-1*.
- Request that your employing school district complete TSPC's *Professional Educational Experience Report (PEER)* (required only if you already hold a TSPC-issued license).

STEP 4

Submit the following to TSPC in a single envelope (incomplete applications will be returned):

- One set of **official (sealed) transcript(s)** of all course work that is new since applying for previous Oregon licenses, including a master's degree-posted transcript. The Lewis & Clark official transcript may be sent electronically by the college to TSPC.
- A completed **C-1 form**.
- YOUR original score reports or printed .pdf** from the:
 - *CBEST, WEST-B, PRAXIS I: PPST*, or *NES: EAS* (required if this is your first-ever full Oregon license); and/or
 - *NES/ORELA: Protecting Student and Civil Rights in the Educational Environment* (required if this is your first-ever full Oregon license).
- A **Professional Educational Experience Report (PEER)** completed and signed by your employing school district (*required only if you already hold a TSPC-issued license*).
- A **cheque** made out to TSPC for \$100.00.

Teacher Standards and Practices Commission, 250 Division Street, NE, Salem, Oregon 97301

contact.tspc@state.or.us or <http://oregon.gov/TSPC/index.shtml>

DO I NEED TO BE FINGERPRINTED?

If you are unsure of your fingerprint clearance status, please contact TSPC at contact.tspc@state.or.us.

HOW LONG DO I HAVE TO APPLY FOR MY INITIAL I SCHOOL COUNSELING LICENSE?

You have 3 years from the time that you complete your program to apply for your Oregon Initial I School Counseling License. Beyond 3 years, you may have to meet all new program requirements, often including additional course work.

WHOM DO I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT MY PROGRAM?

The faculty program advisors for the School Counseling program are:

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