Pepperdine University
Graduate School of Education & Psychology
Acknowledgment of BBS/MACLP Requirements

Students who intend to pursue licensure as a Marriage Family Therapist (MFT) should know that certain conditions set by the Board of Behavioral Sciences (BBS) may impact their eligibility to sit for the MFT license exam. These and other conditions specific to the Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology with an Emphasis in Marriage and Family Therapy (MACLP) Program appear below.

INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete and return this form to the Clinical Training Coordinator at your educational center as soon as possible.

Name: _____
Last First Middle Initial

Address:_____
Number and Street Apt. No. City Zip

Phone (Daytime): _____ Student ID #_____

E-Mail: _____

Date first enrolled in (or transferred to) the MACLP Program: _____

Educational Center Attending *(check one)*: ☐ WLA ☐ EGC ☐ IGC ☐ MAL

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understood the following:

A. The Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology with an Emphasis in Marriage and Family Therapy (MACLP) degree that I will obtain through Pepperdine University is designed to meet the requirements of Sections 4980.37, 4980.40, and subdivisions (a) and (d) of Section 4980.41 of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California for the Marriage and Family Therapist license.

B. The Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology (MACLP) degree is the only Pepperdine degree that offers the academic preparation for the MFT license. If I graduate with the general Masters degree in psychology I will not be eligible to take the MFT license exam.

C. My hours toward MFT Licensure may begin accruing upon submission and approval of the 4-Way Agreement no sooner than the midpoint of the term prior to enrollment in Clinical Practicum. I have been informed that I must attend the Preparing for Practicum Meeting (that is offered regularly at each graduate campus location) prior to recording MFT licensure hours.

D. I am responsible for reading and understanding the relevant BBS Laws and Regulations, the MFT Handbook, the GSEP catalog, and the Psychology Division Policies & Procedures.

E. I understand that effective January 1, 2006; Practicum (Psy 662) classes will only be available to first term practicum students in the fall and spring semesters. Anyone enrolling in summer practicum needs to be a second or third term practicum student.

F. If I intend to pursue licensure outside of the State of California, I will correspond with out-of-state licensing boards to ensure that the requirements of Pepperdine's MACLP program are consistent with theirs.

G. I may not be able to qualify for state licensure if I have been convicted of, or pled guilty or *nolo contendre* to, any misdemeanor or felony. I will need to disclose convictions dismissed under Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code. I will not need to disclose offenses prior to my 18th birthday or any traffic violations for which a fine of $500 or less was imposed. If this section applies to me, I will contact the BBS at once to determine my eligibility for the MFT license.

H. I will need to disclose if I have ever been denied a professional license, or if my license privileges have ever been suspended, revoked, or otherwise disciplined, or if I have ever voluntarily surrendered any such license.

I. My continuation in the program is based on maintaining both academic and behavioral standards. My suitability for the psychotherapy profession will be evaluated by faculty, clinical training staff, practicum instructors, and clinical supervisors.

J. I am aware that it is my responsibility to retain important practicum documentation (i.e. Weekly Summary of Hours, Supervisor Responsibility Statements, etc.) for future verification of my clinical practicum experience by licensing agencies or state boards.

Student's Signature: _____
Date:_____