

## Licensure and Certification Information

Educational institutions are required by law to inform students about whether or not the education they receive at FSCJ will be sufficient to sit for licensure or certification exams in each state. The information below lists each FSCJ program that could lead to licensure or certification, and **which states accept the FSCJ program to sit for exams**. It is important to note, however, that licensure and certification requirements in some states may require more than just the appropriate education. For example, some states require experience before sitting for exams, additional training or coursework obtained in their state specifically, or additional state exams. It is important to find out all the requirements needed to obtain licensure or certification in the state to which you wish to relocate.

AS Program	States that Accept FSCJ's Program to Sit for Exams	Exam(s) that FSCJ Graduates are Eligible to Take	Notes	Resources
Aviation Maintenance Management AS	All states	FFA Airframe and Powerplant (A&P) Mechanic Certification	This national certification is standardized across the US and governed by the FAA.	<a href="https://www.faa.gov/mechanics">https://www.faa.gov/mechanics</a>
Cardiovascular Technology AS	All states	Certified Cardiographic Technician (CCT) Exam	Certification is required in AK, DE, IN, OH, SC, TX, and WA. While not mandatory in all states, certification is required by many employers.	<a href="https://cci-online.org/">https://cci-online.org/</a>
Dental Hygiene AS	All states except CA, DE, DC, NE, NY, WA	National Board Dental Hygiene Examination (NBDHE) offered through JCNDE	While the FSCJ program meets the educational requirement for most states, several states also require experience before being able to sit for exams.	<a href="https://www.aadb dentalboards.org/state-dental-board-list">https://www.aadb dentalboards.org/state-dental-board-list</a> , and <a href="https://jcnde.ada.org/">https://jcnde.ada.org/</a>
Funeral Services AS	All states except MN, OH	National Board Examination (NBE)	Ohio and Minnesota require a bachelor's degree.	<a href="https://theconferenceonline.org/licensing-requirements/">https://theconferenceonline.org/licensing-requirements/</a> and <a href="https://nfda.org/careers/licensing-requirements">https://nfda.org/careers/licensing-requirements</a>
Health Information Technology AS	All states	RHIT National Exam	No state mandates certification to work in the field of HIT. However, many healthcare organizations require the national RHIT exam.	<a href="https://www.ahima.org/certification-careers/certification-exams/">https://www.ahima.org/certification-careers/certification-exams/</a> and <a href="https://www.sru.edu/Documents/academics/online-learning/Biology-Histotechnology%20Licensure%20Requirements%20by%20State.pdf?1738764173813">https://www.sru.edu/Documents/academics/online-learning/Biology-Histotechnology%20Licensure%20Requirements%20by%20State.pdf?1738764173813</a> PDF – Slippery Rock Univ.
Histologic Technology AS	All states	ASCP Histotechnician (HT) Certification Exam	Florida requires licensure; however, most states do not.	<a href="https://www.ascp.org/content/board-of-certification/get-credentialed#">https://www.ascp.org/content/board-of-certification/get-credentialed#</a>

Interior Design Technology AS	All states	National Council for Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ) Exam	All graduates are eligible to take the first part of the NCIDQ exam; however, experience is required for other parts. Twenty-three states do not require licensure. Several states do not allow the use of the term "certified" unless licensed.	<a href="https://www.cidq.org/">https://www.cidq.org/</a> , and <a href="https://www.harborcompliance.com/interior-design-certification">https://www.harborcompliance.com/interior-design-certification</a>
Legal Studies (Paralegal Studies) AS	All states	Certified Paralegal Exam	Currently, no state except California requires certification for any paralegal. However, many employers require certification.	<a href="https://nala.org/certification/">https://nala.org/certification/</a>
Nursing/Nursing Bridge Option (RN) AS	All states	National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN)	National exam. All states require licensure. Can apply for a multistate license through NCSBN.	<a href="https://www.nclex.com/">https://www.nclex.com/</a> , and <a href="https://www.nursecompact.com/">https://www.nursecompact.com/</a>
Occupational Therapy Assistant AS	All states	National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT)	National exam. All states require licensure.	<a href="https://www.aota.org/career/state-licensure/">https://www.aota.org/career/state-licensure/</a> and <a href="https://otcompact.gov/">https://otcompact.gov/</a>
Physical Therapist Assistant AS	All states	National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE)	National exam. All states require licensure.	<a href="https://physical-therapy-assistant.org/state-pta-license-requirements/">https://physical-therapy-assistant.org/state-pta-license-requirements/</a> and <a href="https://www.fsbpt.org/Secondary-Pages/Exam-Candidates/National-Exam-NPTE">https://www.fsbpt.org/Secondary-Pages/Exam-Candidates/National-Exam-NPTE</a>
Professional Pilot Technology AS	All states	National FAA Pilot Certificate	National certification. Pilots are certified by the Federal Aviation Administration.	<a href="http://www.faa.gov/pilots/become">www.faa.gov/pilots/become</a> , and <a href="https://www.fsbpt.org/Secondary-Pages/Licensees">https://www.fsbpt.org/Secondary-Pages/Licensees</a> and <a href="https://www.apta.org/your-practice/licensure/">https://www.apta.org/your-practice/licensure/</a>
Respiratory Care AS	All states	Therapist Multiple-Choice (TMC) Examination	All states except Alaska require licensure. Take the national CRT or RRT exams through the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC).	<a href="https://www.aarc.org/advocacy/state-advocacy/states-with-rrt-entry-to-licensure/">https://www.aarc.org/advocacy/state-advocacy/states-with-rrt-entry-to-licensure/</a> and <a href="https://www.respiratorytherapistlicense.com/certification/">https://www.respiratorytherapistlicense.com/certification/</a>
Radiation Therapy AS	All states except MD	Nationally-recognized American Registry of Radiologic Technologists Exam	Most states require ARRT certification.	<a href="https://www.rrt.org/pages/about-the-profession/state-licensing">https://www.rrt.org/pages/about-the-profession/state-licensing</a>
Radiography AS	All states except MD	Nationally-recognized American Registry of Radiologic Technologists Exam	All states require licensure, although specific requirements vary.	<a href="https://www.asrt.org/main/standards-and-regulations/legislation-regulations-and-advocacy/states-that-regulate">https://www.asrt.org/main/standards-and-regulations/legislation-regulations-and-advocacy/states-that-regulate</a> and

				<a href="https://www.arrt.org/pages/about-the-profession/state-licensing">https://www.arrt.org/pages/about-the-profession/state-licensing</a>
Surgical Services AS	All states	National Certified Surgical Technologist (CST) Exam	Several states require CST certification to work as a surgical technologist or surgical assistant. Licensure can be obtained through the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA).	<a href="https://www.csaexam.com/">https://www.csaexam.com/</a> and <a href="https://www.nbstsa.org/cst-certification">https://www.nbstsa.org/cst-certification</a> , and <a href="https://www.ast.org/public_policy/map_of_state_laws/">https://www.ast.org/public_policy/map_of_state_laws/</a>
<b>Certificate Programs</b>	<b>States that Accept FSCJ's Program to Sit for Exams</b>	<b>Exam(s) that FSCJ Graduates are Eligible to Take</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Resource</b>
Auto Collision Technology Tech. CC	All states	Areas B2 through B5 of the Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Exam	iCAR certification is national but one year of experience is required to sit for exams.	<a href="https://www.ase.com/">https://www.ase.com/</a>
Aviation Airframe Mechanic TC	All states	FAA Written, Oral & Practical Mechanic Certification with the Airframe Rating	Certification standardized across US and governed by the FAA	<a href="https://www.faa.gov/mechanics">https://www.faa.gov/mechanics</a>
Aviation Powerplant Mechanics TC	All states	FAA Powerplant Certification Exams	Certification standardized across US and governed by the FAA	<a href="https://www.faa.gov/mechanics">https://www.faa.gov/mechanics</a>
Commercial Vehicle Driving CC	All states	Class A Commercial Truck Driver's License	The highest level of commercial driver's license, allowing holders to drive vehicles weighing more than 26,000 pounds.	<a href="https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/CDL">https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/CDL</a>
Correctional Officer/ FL Law Enforcement Academy CC	Florida only	Florida State Officer Certification Examination	All states accept the FSCJ program to meet educational requirements but require their own training.	<a href="https://www.fdle.state.fl.us/CJSTC/Exam/">https://www.fdle.state.fl.us/CJSTC/Exam/</a>
Cosmetology CC	Accepted in AL, AK, AZ, FL, IL, KY, MA, MN, MS, NJ, ND, OR, PA, SC, TX, VA, WA, WI	Cosmetology Exam	In Florida, the Cosmetology exam is given by the Florida State Board of Cosmetology, then students obtain a license through the Department of Business and Professional Regulation. The FSCJ Program is too short to meet requirements in many states.	<a href="https://www.beautyinsuranceplus.com/cosmetologist-state-requirements/">https://www.beautyinsuranceplus.com/cosmetologist-state-requirements/</a> , and <a href="https://www.myfloridalicense.com/CheckListDetail.asp?SID=&amp;xactCode=1010&amp;clientCode=0501&amp;XACT_DEFN_ID=5236">https://www.myfloridalicense.com/CheckListDetail.asp?SID=&amp;xactCode=1010&amp;clientCode=0501&amp;XACT_DEFN_ID=5236</a>
Dental Assisting CC	All states except for CA	Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) Exam	Meets education requirements for all states except CA	<a href="https://www.danb.org/state-requirements">https://www.danb.org/state-requirements</a>
Electricity (Construction) CC	Florida only	Certified Electrical Contractor Exam	The licensing requirements vary in each state. Floridians can become licensed statewide or by jurisdiction through the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.	<a href="https://www.housecallpro.com/electrical/licensing/">https://www.housecallpro.com/electrical/licensing/</a> , and <a href="https://www.myfloridalicense.com/intentions2.asp?chBoard=true&amp;boardid=08&amp;SID=">https://www.myfloridalicense.com/intentions2.asp?chBoard=true&amp;boardid=08&amp;SID=</a>

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) TC	All states	Paramedic Exam	Can be nationally certified if graduating from a CAAHEP program. The FSCJ program is accredited.	<a href="https://www.floridahealth.gov/licensing-and-regulation/emt-paramedics/">https://www.floridahealth.gov/licensing-and-regulation/emt-paramedics/</a> , and <a href="https://www.nremt.org/Resources/State-EMS-offices">https://www.nremt.org/Resources/State-EMS-offices</a> , and <a href="https://www.nremt.org/Document/Paramedic-Full-Education-Program-Pathway">https://www.nremt.org/Document/Paramedic-Full-Education-Program-Pathway</a> ,
Facial Specialty CC	Accepted in AL, AZ, AR, CA, DC, FL, IL, KS, LA, MS, MT, NV, PA, SC, WA	FCG Exit Exam	Florida students register with the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation. Many states require more hours than the 220-hour FSCJ program.	<a href="https://www.myfloridalicense.com/CheckListDetail.asp?SID=&amp;xactCode=1030&amp;clientCode=0508&amp;XACT_DEFN_ID=5351">https://www.myfloridalicense.com/CheckListDetail.asp?SID=&amp;xactCode=1030&amp;clientCode=0508&amp;XACT_DEFN_ID=5351</a> , and <a href="https://www.naturalhealers.com/esthetician/licensing/">https://www.naturalhealers.com/esthetician/licensing/</a>
Firefighter CC	FL only	State Written and Practical Firefighter Exams	Each state requires its own training academy.	<a href="https://myfloridacfo.com/division/sfm/bfst/standards">https://myfloridacfo.com/division/sfm/bfst/standards</a>
Heating, Vent, AC/Refrigeration CC	All states	Certification Exams through NATE or HVAC Excellence	Requirements vary by state. In Florida, Independent HVAC/R contractors in must obtain a permit from the Department of Business and Professional Regulation. Technicians working under a licensed contractor do not need certification but can increase salary potential if certified.	<a href="https://www.nextinsurance.com/blog/hvac-license-requirements/">https://www.nextinsurance.com/blog/hvac-license-requirements/</a> , and <a href="https://natex.org/">https://natex.org/</a> , and <a href="https://www2.myfloridalicense.com/construction-industry/">https://www2.myfloridalicense.com/construction-industry/</a>
Medical Assist. CC	All states	Registered Medical Assistant (RMA), Certified Phlebotomy Technician (CPT), and Certified EKG Technician (CET) exams	National Certifications offered through American Medical Technologists and National Healthcareer Association	<a href="https://americanmedtech.org/certification/get-certified">https://americanmedtech.org/certification/get-certified</a> , and <a href="https://www.nhanow.com/get-certified">https://www.nhanow.com/get-certified</a>
Paralegal Studies ATC	All states	The PACE or PCCE National Exam offered by NFPA	CA is the only state with strict regulations for paralegal certification; however, certification is recommended and often required by companies.	<a href="https://www.paralegals.org/page/paralegal-certification">https://www.paralegals.org/page/paralegal-certification</a> , and <a href="https://www.americanbar.org/groups/paralegals/blog/Certificate-Certified/">https://www.americanbar.org/groups/paralegals/blog/Certificate-Certified/</a>
Paramedic TC/ Paramedic ATD (EMS)	All states	National Registry EMT	National exam	<a href="https://www.nremt.org/EMT/Certification">https://www.nremt.org/EMT/Certification</a>
Pharmacy Technician CC	All states	National Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT) Exam	National certification is not required but allows a person to work in any state. The CPhT exam is offered by PTCB.	<a href="https://www.ptcb.org/i-want-to-be-a-cpht">https://www.ptcb.org/i-want-to-be-a-cpht</a>
Practical Nursing CC	All states	National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nursing (NCLEX-PN)	National exam. All states require licensure.	<a href="https://www.nclex.com/">https://www.nclex.com/</a>

Radiation Therapy Specialist ATC	All states except MD	American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) Radiation Therapy Exam	Some, but not all, states require you to be certified and registered through ARRT before you can obtain a state license.	<a href="https://www.arrt.org/pages/earn-arrt-credentials/credential-options/radiation-therapy#">https://www.arrt.org/pages/earn-arrt-credentials/credential-options/radiation-therapy#</a>
Welding Technology CC	All states	Practical Welding Certificate Exams	Some states require welders to apply for a state or city license. Getting licensed through the American Welding Society increases salary potential.	<a href="https://www.aws.org/certification-and-education/">https://www.aws.org/certification-and-education/</a>