

ACCESS TO OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES FOR NON-CITIZENS IN NY

For the list of licenses and certifications BELOW, the rule for New York State is that you have to be:

- Not unlawfully present OR
- If you have a temporary visa (including TN, battered spouse, temporary protected) OR
- Have DACA OR
- Be in the PRUCOL* categories (see next page for the list of PRUCOL immigration categories).

- Acupuncturist
- Athletic Trainer
- Audiologist
- Landscape Architect
- Clinical Laboratory Technologist / Histological Technician
- Dental Assistant
- Dietitian/Nutritionist
- Creative Arts Therapist
- Medical Physicist
- Physician Assistant
- Specialist Assistant
- Architect
- Mental Health Practitioner
- Family Therapist
- Physician
- Midwife
- Psychoanalyst
- Physical Therapist
- Physical Therapist Assistant
- Registered Nurse
- Licensed Practical Nurse
- Respiratory Therapist
- Respiratory Technician
- Clinical Social Worker
- Podiatrist
- Speech Pathologist / Audiologist
- Licensed Behavior Analyst
- Behavior Analyst Assistant
- Interior Design
- Psychologist
- Optometrist
- Ophthalmic Dispensing
- Pharmacist
- Massage Therapist
- Occupational Therapist
- Occupational Therapist Assistant
- Certified Public Accountant
- Chiropractor
- Certified Shorthand Reporter
- Dentist
- Dental Hygienist
- Engineer
- Land Surveyor
- Veterinarian
- Veterinary Technician
- Teacher Certifications
- Acupuncturist
- Athletic Trainer
- Audiologist
- Clinical Laboratory Technologist
- Cytotechnologist
- Clinical Laboratory/ Histological Technician
- Dental Assistant
- Dietitian/Nutritionist
- Medical Physicist
- Physician Assistant
- Specialist Assistant
- Mental Health Practitioner
- Family Therapist
- Creative Arts Therapist
- Psychoanalyst
- Registered Nurse
- Licensed Practical Nurse
- Certification for Nurse Practitioners and Clinical Nurse Specialists
- Perfusionist permit
- Physical Therapist
- Physical Therapist Assistant
- Polysomnographic Technologist (authorization)
- Respiratory Therapist
- Respiratory Technician
- Social Worker Master
- Clinical Social Worker
- Speech Pathologist / Audiologist
- Licensed Behavior Analyst
- Certified Behavior Analyst Assistant
- Interior Design
- Architect
- Occupational Therapist
- Occupational Therapist Assistant
- Ophthalmic Dispensing
- Optometrist
- Podiatrist
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- Dental Hygienist
- Engineer
- Land Surveyor
- Landscape Architect
- Massage Therapist
- Physician
- Midwife
- Pharmacist
- Veterinarian
- Veterinary Technician

If you have any questions about specific cases, we urge you to contact CUNY Citizenship Now! At www1.cuny.edu/sites/citizenship-now or a lawyer.

***PRUCOL:** residing in the US with the KNOWLEDGE and ACQUIESCENCE of ICE/USCIS. This includes:

- Deferred Action under DACA (including applicants)
- Deferred Action
- *Request for Deferred Action pending for 6 months or more and not denied
- *Applicants for any immigration benefit
 - Eg Applicants for Special Immigrant Juvenile Status
- Asylum/Withholding under INA or CAT
- Cancellation of Removal
- Temporary Protected Status (TPS)
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- In valid *Nonimmigrant* Status
 - Eg T U visas (*F B H for licensing)
- Immediate Relatives with approved I-130
- Approved Petition on and Pending Application for Green Card
- Granted withholding of removal under CAT (Convention Against Torture)
- Paroled for less than 1 year
- Order of supervision
- Deferred Enforced Departure
- Granted stays of deportation or removal
- Noncitizens Lawfully Present in American Samoa Under its Immigration Laws
- Citizens of Micronesia, Palau and Marshall Islands
- Temporary resident INA 210/245A
- Family Unity Beneficiary
- Noncitizens who can show continuous residence since on or before 1/1/1972 (registry aliens)
- Applicants for:
 - Record of Admission Under INA sec. 249 (registry alien)
 - Adjustment Under LIFE Act
 - Legalization Apps Under SAW and IRCA

Strategies moving forward:

We believe the best approach is to make the case to the NY Board of Regents that everyone, regardless of immigration status, should be eligible for licenses and certifications. What will be **most** persuasive is for people currently affected regardless of their immigration status (**INCLUDING** undocumented people, even those who have had NO contact with ICE or USCIS) **SHARE THEIR STORIES**. We understand this is a tall order, and stories **WILL BE SHARED ANONYMOUSLY**.

If you are interested in sharing your story, please provide your contact information to:

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