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Each state has their own licensure requirements separate from Gupton-Jones College of Funeral Service's (GJCFS) graduation requirements. GJCFS's national accreditation with the American Board of Funeral Service Education (ABFSE) allows a student to sit for the National Board Examination (NBE) in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. However, some states may require additional education and/or specific college courses be taken prior to issuing a license. It is recommended that students review their state licensure requirements prior to and/or during their enrollment at GJCFS. All students should reach out to an academic advisor with questions about licensure so they may be directed to the proper person to assist them.

The information provided below denotes whether GJCFS's programs meet the funeral service education requirements for each state. It is not intended to indicate that our programs meet all the requirements for licensure. The AS (Teach-Out)/AAS column indicates whether the degree from GJCFS meets the funeral service education requirements for a combined funeral director/embalmer license in the listed state. An asterisk indicates that there may be additional education requirements. The name of each state is a link to where you may find the laws/rules/regulations for licensure for that state. It is recommended that you check with your state funeral service licensing board as regulations change frequently.

Gupton-Jones College's Associate of Science Degree (AS and AAS) may lead to licensure in the following states:

AS (Teach-Out) – Associate of Science (On Campus and Online)

AAS – Associate of Applied Science

State	AS (Teach-Out)/AAS
Alabama	Yes
Alaska	Yes
Arizona	Yes
Arkansas	Yes
California	Yes
Colorado	Yes
Connecticut	Yes
Delaware	Yes
District of Columbia	Yes
Florida	Yes
Georgia	Yes
Hawaii	Yes
Idaho	Yes*
Illinois	Yes
Indiana	Yes*
Iowa	Yes*
Kansas	Yes

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Kentucky	Yes
Louisiana	Yes*
Maine	Yes
Maryland	Yes
Massachusetts	Yes
Michigan	Yes*
Minnesota	Yes*
Mississippi	Yes
Missouri	Yes
Montana	Yes*
Nebraska	Yes*
Nevada	Yes*
New Hampshire	Yes
New Jersey	Yes*
New Mexico	Yes
New York	Yes
North Carolina	Yes
North Dakota	Yes*
Ohio	Yes*
Oklahoma	Yes
Oregon	Yes
Pennsylvania	Yes*
Rhode Island	Yes
South Carolina	Yes
South Dakota	Yes
Tennessee	Yes
Texas	Yes
Utah	Yes
Vermont	Yes
Virginia	Yes
Washington	Yes
West Virginia	Yes*
Wisconsin	Yes
Wyoming	Yes*

* Further education may be required for state licensure

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Additional Licensing Resources

Regulations in Licensing: https://theconferenceonline.org/licensing-requirements/

State Licensing Boards and Requirements: https://nfda.org/careers/licensing-requirements

State Authorization

Please note that California does not participate in the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA). Consequently, the California Higher Education Committee does not officially recognize an online educational program from an institution outside of California without prior approval. Gupton-Jones College of Funeral Service does not hold such approval, nor is it required. However, many California students have earned our accredited Associate of Science degree and have successfully become licensed funeral service practitioners in California.

For embalmer licensure, the California Cemetery and Funeral Bureau requires graduation from a mortuary college accredited by the American Board of Funeral Service Education (ABFSE).

Gupton-Jones College of Funeral Service and the Funeral Service associate degree program offered by Gupton-Jones College are accredited by the American Board of Funeral Service Education (ABFSE), 992 Mantua Pike, Suite 108, Woodbury Heights, NJ 08097 (816) 233-3747. Web: www.abfse.org