Professional Certification

Graduates of an accredited Clinical Laboratory Sciences program are eligible for national certification as clinical laboratory scientists (medical technologists). One (1) national certification program is available.

Sponsor: American Society for Clinical Pathologists (ASCP)
Administrator: American Society of Clinical Pathologists (ASCP)
Exams: Board of Certification

In addition to the national certification, some states require the CLS practitioner to obtain a license, usually requiring one of the national certifications and/or a state licensing test. Texas, at this time, does not require a license. To find a current and complete listing of state requirements, the student should contact the state of interest for more details about any requirements for working as a CLS in that state. You may also visit http://www.ascls.org/advocacy-issues/licensure.