

To be eligible for the master's licensing exam in PA, you must be in the final semester of a master's or doctoral degree program or hold a master's or doctoral degree in social work.

Review the [ASWB Examination Guidebook](#).

[PA Licensing System \(PALS\)](#)

The PALS system can be accessed from the PA State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Professional Counselors site. All first-time applicants must start the application process by creating a PA Licensing System (PALS) account. Once you have a PALS account you can start your application.

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Follow the instructions for how to register for the exam provided by the PA State Board in your approval letter.

Wait for Authorization from ASWB: ASWB will send you an Authorization to Test via e-mail within two business days to the e-mail address you provided. Retain your Authorization to Test for future reference. If you do not receive your Authorization to Test, notify ASWB.

You must first receive _____ before scheduling your exam with **PSI**.

ASWB requires that you request and receive approval for testing accommodations before registering for your licensing exam. ([LINK](#) to request nonstandard testing arrangements.)

There are no fixed administration dates.

Wait for confirmation of your testing appointment. Confirmation should be received within 24 hours.

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Consider test preparation resources such as the Center for Professional Development's [License Exam Prep workshop](#) or the [study guide available](#) to current students through TriPod.

Know where your Test Center is located and what to expect on check-in, ID, personal belongs, etc. (Information can be found in the ASWB Examination Guidebook)

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