

## **Professional Licensure**

Peirce College programs are not designed to lead to professional licensure or certification.

After completing a degree program at Peirce College, some graduates may choose to pursue additional education, often graduate level programs, that offer preparation for professional licensure in occupations typically regulated by state and government requirements.

These requirements often include standards of practice or criteria surrounding legal permission to practice a profession. Criteria may include level of education, licensure examinations, and/or work-related experience in the subject.

Examples of licensed professions include:

<u>Certified Public Accountants (CPAs):</u> While Peirce undergraduate business programs may introduce students to topics covered in the CPA exams, in order to be eligible to sit for the exam, students would need additional subject-specific instruction and professional experience. For information regarding Pennsylvania CPA licensure, please visit the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants (<u>PICPA</u>) and the <u>Pennsylvania State Board of Accountancy</u>. For information on regulations and licensure in other states, please visit the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (<u>NASBA</u>).

<u>Social Workers</u>: for information on becoming licensed social workers and counselors in Pennsylvania, graduates of the Peirce BS in Human Services Leadership program should explore the <u>guide</u> to educational requirements, timelines, and steps towards obtaining licensure provided by the Pennsylvania Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Professional Counselors. The minimum educational requirement for a licensed social worker is a master's degree in social work or social welfare. For information on requirements in other states, please visit the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) website.

Students and graduates exploring licensed career paths should familiarize themselves with the requirements of the states where they reside and/or wish to practice. Graduates seeking a career path requiring state licensure should be prepared for requirements beyond their degree program.

Please view Peirce College program descriptions in our College Catalogs.

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