

Psychology

Licensure by Examination

The Board of Psychology is responsible for licensing and regulating psychologists, provisional psychologists and limited license psychologists in Florida.

Examination Methods and Requirements

Licensure by examination: This method means the EPPP examination has not been passed with a score acceptable to Florida. The Florida Laws and Rules Examination must be taken and passed. It also means the required supervised experience has been completed.

Examination with waiver of the national examination: This method means the EPPP examination has been passed with a score acceptable to Florida. The Florida Laws and Rules examination must be taken and passed. It also means the required supervised experience has been completed.

Bifurcation: This method means the educational requirements for licensure have been completed, but the supervised experience has not. This method is to be used in conjunction with the examination or examination with waiver concept, depending on whether the applicant has previously passed the EPPP examination.

- **EPPP Examination** - <http://www.asppb.net>
- **Florida Laws and Rules Examination** – http://www.doh.state.fl.us/mqa/psychology/psy_bulletins.html

Licensure Requirements

Education Requirements: A Psy.D., an Ed.D. in psychology, or a Ph.D. in psychology from: An educational institution which, at the time the applicant was enrolled and graduated, had institutional accreditation from an agency recognized and approved by the United States Department of Education or was recognized as a member in good standing with the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada; and a psychology program within that educational institution which, at the time the applicant was enrolled and graduated, had programmatic accreditation from an agency recognized and approved by the United States Department of Education. (Only graduates from American Psychological Association (APA) accredited programs meet this criteria.)

Supervision Requirements: Licensure requires two years or 4,000 hours of experience in the field of psychology in association with or under the supervision of a licensed psychologist. The applicant's internship satisfies 2000 of those hours. An acceptable internship is one that is approved by the applicant's APA-accredited program towards completion of the doctoral psychology degree. The internship, in and of itself, is not required to be accredited by the APA or any other organization.

Supervising Psychologist Verification Form: http://www.doh.state.fl.us/mqa/psychology/frm_sup-verif.pdf

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How to Apply for Licensure

Submit a completed application, fees and all required supporting documents to:

For Applications and Fees (Regular Mail)

P.O. Box 6330
Tallahassee, Florida 32314-6330

Without Fees (Regular Mail)

Department of Health
Board of Psychology
4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin C-05
Tallahassee, FL 32399-3255

The application package at http://www.doh.state.fl.us/mqa/psychology/psy_lic_req.html contains additional information regarding the application, the fees, other required documentation, and special testing accommodations due to ADA or religious conflict issues and examination information.

Application Deadlines

Section 120.60, Florida Statutes, states an agency is allowed 30 days from receipt of the application and fee to review an application and notify the applicant in writing of any deficiencies. If notification of application status has not been received within 40 days of the Department's receipt of the application, you may contact the board's administrative office. It is recommended that all applicants submit applications and documentation as far in advance of deadlines as possible. Every application for a license shall be approved or denied within 90 days after receipt of a completed application.

To ensure that your application is reviewed at the next available board meeting, it must be complete 30 days prior to that board meeting.

Click the link below to review board meeting information:

http://www.doh.state.fl.us/mqa/psychology/psy_meeting.html