The School of Social Work at Millersville University is approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) to offer the Post-Master’s School Social Work certification. The School Social Work certification is designed to prepare social work students with the required knowledge, skills, and expertise to “support the academic, career and personal-social development needs” of diverse, vulnerable, and at-risk PreK-12 students and their families.

Governor Wolf’s Reach Out PA initiative (2020) specifically identified that “School social workers play a unique role in addressing mental health by providing holistic services and supports in the school setting, such as crisis management, mental-health treatment, and engaging the school, family and community in enhancing existing student-support structures that ensure the success of all students” (para. 10). In the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the School Social Work certification is required by school districts.

Upon completion of the required coursework, the Certification Office at Millersville University will assist eligible candidates with the Pennsylvania certification process and provide recommendations for the Post Master’s School Social Work certification.