

Advanced Scholarship Descriptions and Instructions

Name	Description	Personal Statement
Alumni Association Scholarship	Several scholarships will be awarded from the Alumni Association's Scholarship Fund. These scholarships are for continuing students (going into a second year or the advanced curriculum in the fall 2026 semester) who have completed at least 12 credits at the School of Social Work.	Please upload a personal statement that addresses the following: volunteer and work experience, reasons for pursuing the social work profession, and your career plans. Essays must be in .docx or .pdf format, 300 words or less, 12 point font, and double spaced.
Brittani "Bri" Brunn Memorial Scholarship	The Brittani "Bri" Brunn Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to an Advanced MSW student pursuing or furthering a career with a clinical concentration in Behavioral Health. The recipient will be selected by a staff and faculty committee based on merit and financial need, as well as an essay describing their future behavioral health plans. Preference will be given to students that have an interest in suicide prevention.	Please upload a personal statement that describes your experience and future plans in the field of behavioral health. Preference will be given to students that have an interest in suicide prevention. Essays must be in .docx or .pdf format, 300 words or less, 12 point font, and double spaced.
Camille Baudot Wheeler Scholarship	The Camille Baudot Wheeler Scholarship will be given to an advanced-year macro MSW student. The recipient will be selected by a staff and faculty committee based on merit as well as an essay describing their interest in policy studies and their future professional goals.	Please submit an essay describing your interest in policy studies and future plans. Essays must be in .docx or .pdf format, 300 words or less, 12 point font, and double spaced.
Oliver Harris Scholarship	The Dr. Oliver C. Harris Scholarship for the Prevention of Intimate Partner Violence will be given to an advanced year MSW student. The recipient will be selected by a staff and faculty committee based on merit as well as an essay describing their experiences in and future commitment to preventing intimate partner violence along with their career plans.	Please submit an essay describing your experiences in and future commitment to preventing intimate partner violence along with your career plans. Essays must be in .docx or .pdf format, 300 words or less, 12 point font, and double spaced.
Jean M. Dockhorn and Anne P. Hahn Scholarship	The Jean M. Dockhorn and Anne P. Hahn Scholarship will be given to an advanced year MSW student. The recipient will be selected by a staff and faculty committee based on merit as well as an essay describing their commitment in the following areas: hospital social work, a community health care organization or social work/public health.	Please submit an essay describing your experience and commitment in 300 words or less in the following three areas: hospital social work, a community health care organization, or social work/public health. Essays must be in .docx or .pdf format, 300 words or less, 12 point font, and double spaced.
Jimmy Swartz Scholarship	The Jimmy Swartz Fund is awarded to practicum students who are committed to ending homelessness and supporting individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness, unstable or inadequate housing. The recipient will be selected by a staff and faculty committee based on merit as well as an essay describing their experiences and interest in serving individuals and families who are experiencing homeless, unstable, or inadequate housing. To be eligible for consideration, students must: Be a foundation or advanced clinical or LPSC student with a 3.0 GPA, currently engaged in practicum serving unhoused individuals. Stipend awards range from are \$5,000 and are contingent on students accepting a placement focused on homeless/affordable housing services or advocacy.	Please describe your interest in ending homelessness and your experiences in related aspects of this goal, including personal, professional and practical-related experiences with homelessness, and/or individuals or families experiencing housing instability and poverty. Essays must be in .docx or .pdf format, 300 words or less, 12 point font, and double spaced.
Julie Oktay Scholarship for Oncology Social Work	The Julie and Erol Oktay Scholarship will be given to an Advanced MSW student. The recipient will be selected by a staff and faculty committee based on merit as well as an essay describing their experiences and interest in oncology social work.	We are looking for essays that describe the student applicant's experiences and career plans in the field of oncology social work. Essays must be in .docx or .pdf format, 300 words or less, 12 point font, and double spaced.
Richard W. Friedman Scholarship for Juvenile Justice or Criminal Justice	The Richard Friedman Scholarship will be given to an advanced-year MSW student. The recipient will be selected by a staff and faculty committee based on merit as well as an essay describing their plans to pursue a career in juvenile justice or criminal justice.	Please submit an essay describing your plans to pursue a career in juvenile justice or criminal justice. Essays must be in .docx or .pdf format, 300 words or less, 12 point font, and double spaced.
Sylvia Miller Nathanson Scholarship	The Sylvia Miller Nathanson Scholarship will be given to a non-traditional student. Non-traditional is defined in this case as meeting at least one of the following characteristics: delayed enrollment into graduate education; attends school part-time while working full-time; has dependents other than a spouse; or is a single parent. The recipient will be selected by a staff and faculty committee based on merit as well as an essay describing one these characteristics.	We are looking for essays that describe the non-traditional student applicant's experiences and career plans in the field of social work. Essays must be in .docx or .pdf format, 300 words or less, 12 point font, and double spaced.
Terrie Alexander Memorial Scholarship	The Terrie Alexander Memorial Scholarship will be given to an Advanced MSW student pursuing or furthering a career in Substance Use Intervention or Prevention (preference is given to students in field placements at the Terrie Alexander Intensive Outpatient Clinic and/or Forensics Social Work {Defense Based}). The recipient will be selected by a staff and faculty committee based on merit, financial need as well as an essay describing their future substance use intervention or prevention and/or forensics social work plans.	Please submit an essay describing your interest in substance use intervention or prevention and/or forensics social work and your experiences in various aspects of the field. Essays must be in .docx or .pdf format, 300 words or less, 12 point font, and double spaced.
Woodside Foundation Scholarship in Financial Social Work	The Woodside Foundation Scholarship Endowment in Financial Social Work will be given to an Advanced Standing or continuing MSW student. These scholarships are for clinical and macro students who are interested in financial social work, including working with individuals, families and communities to build financial capability and assets; addressing poverty, economic inequality, and the racial wealth divide; and advancing economic justice.	Please submit an essay describing your interest in financial social work and your experiences in various aspects of the field, including asset building, family economic stability, income inequality and poverty. Essays must be in .docx or .pdf format, 300 words or less, 12 point font, and double spaced.