

The WVSU Department of Social Work is accepting applications from its majors for educational tuition and stipend awards. The tuition and stipend awards are contingent upon continued funding by the West Virginia Department of Human Services under a Title IV-E Grant.

Note: These awards may affect eligibility for other financial aid and **applies only after other free aid is used**. In addition, it may also be subject to taxation.

Application Requirements

Applicant:

1- Must be formally admitted into the Social Work Program at WVSU.

2 - Must have 60 hours completed.

3- Must have a 2.30 GPA (or better).

4- Must be eligible for SW Practice classes.

View Criteria panel for more details.



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Social Work Title IV-E Scholars

Social Work Majors:
Juniors and Seniors
Scholarship Application



West Virginia
State University

Department of Social Work

Title IV-E Student Scholar Application Criteria:

The Successful Applicant **must**:

1. Be formally admitted to the Social Work program with 60+ hours completed, and be eligible for SW Practice classes (316, 403, and 404);
2. Carry a minimum of 12 coursework hours per semester with a 2.30 overall GPA. (**All** criteria must be met before application submission.)
3. Submit an application with a current transcript and resume, names and addresses of two references, in addition to a recommendation from the Department of Social Work. (Grant Coordinator will review application and arrange meeting appointment.)
4. Be interviewed and accepted by representatives of the WV DoHS. Applicants will be notified of formal interviews by DoHS once they receive applicant information.
5. Sign a binding contract with the WV DoHS agreeing to:
 - a. Maintain a GPA necessary to remain in good standing with the WVSU Social Work program;
 - b. Enroll in the electives SWK 210 and SWK 205 (if possible);
 - c. Complete a field placement in a child welfare social service agency. (Placement obligation is reviewed by the WVSU Field Director.);
 - d. Earn the BSW degree at WVSU;
 - e. Accept employment with the WV DoHS in any of its state or county offices for an equivalent time that the stipend was received (offer for employment must be within 60 days of employment application); and
 - f. Contact the WVSU Title IV-E Office and WV DoHS if unable to meet the conditions of the contract and arrange for repayment (with interest) of the stipend(s) received.

Title IV-E Student Scholar Application:

You will complete the Title IV-E Student Scholar application using the QR code found below. On the application, you will include:

- Name
- Rank (junior/senior)
- Address
- Phone
- Student ID (A#)
- Essay (See Essay panel for more details)
- Current transcript
- Resume
- Two references
- Recommendation from the WVSU Department of Social Work

Title IV-E Grant Award:

- Full tuition and fees
- \$3,000 stipend per semester



Application Essay

Respond to the following questions in a **typed, single-spaced, Times New Roman font, 5-page essay** (using well developed paragraphs please). Use the questions below as headings for your response.



1. Why did you choose to become a social worker?

2. What experiences and aptitudes do you bring to the job with the WV DoHS?

3. On a scale of 1 to 5 (with 1 as weakest and 5 as strongest) rate your level of commitment to working in a public agency that provides social work services to families and children. Explain why you rated yourself as you did.

4. Do you have any concerns or reservations about working with the WV DoHS?

5. What types of clients and/or problems would you feel uncomfortable dealing with?

6. Why do you think you should be selected for this grant?