

## Policy on Awarding School of Social Work Financial Aid & Scholarships

The Policy on Awarding School of Social Work Financial Aid & Scholarships is designed to inform applicants of the internal process of awarding financial aid & scholarships offered through the WSU School of Social Work (SSW).

- 1. The School's Financial Aid Committee is staffed by the Director of the Office of Admissions & Student Services (OASS), who shall serve as Chair, MSW Academic Advisor, Academic Services Officer/BSW Advisor, Coordinator of Field Education, MSW Program Coordinator, BSW Program Coordinator and (an) additional representative or representatives designated by the Dean. At least one of the additional representatives is usually the Assistant to Dean.
- 2. Applicants to the School's degree programs, Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) and Master of Social Work (MSW), are eligible to apply for internal SSW financial aid and scholarships. However, only a student who has been formally admitted to the BSW Program or MSW Program shall be eligible to receive SSW financial aid or scholarship assistance. Students registered as Non-degree or Certificate/Post Masters are ineligible to receive SSW financial aid and scholarships.
- 3. The determining factors for award of scholarships and financial aid are criteria listed in the provisions that are specified by the donor or donors.
- 4. A student who is considered academically withdrawn or terminated shall forfeit any financial aid or scholarship assistance awarded through the SSW.
- 5. BSW students must have completed all university general educational requirements to apply for the School of Social Work based scholarship awards.
- 6. Only complete applications will be considered for SSW financial aid or scholarships. All applications must include a completed FAFSA, supporting tax documentation and proof of all income earned. Earned income shall include income earned through employment, income presented as <u>gifts</u>, and income from a spouse, if applicable. Incomplete, missing or inaccurate information shall result in disqualification of an application for SSW financial aid or scholarships.

7. The School reserves the right to request additional information or to interview any applicant for financial aid and/or scholarships awarded through the SSW.