The WSU School of Social Work and its agency partners are pleased to announce our selection as one of 21 schools in 2008 to receive the **Hartford Partnership Program for Aging Education** grant from the John A. Hartford Foundation. The program will recruit and train MSW students to engage in customized rotational field placements and specialized coursework and seminars that build competencies and leadership skills in geriatric social work. In addition to this excellent training, students will receive a stipend.

**Advantages to participation in the Fellowship Aging Partnership Program include the following:**

- A rotational advanced field placement will allow the student to gain an understanding of the depth and breadth of aging services available.
- The opportunity to learn from various members of the community who are experienced in the aging field.
- Opportunity for strong integration between gerontology field work and gerontology relevant coursework.
- The development of knowledge and leadership skills in the aging and healthcare field.
- A stipend to assist with tuition and/or other educational expenses.
- State and national networking opportunities with professionals and students involved in the program.

**Criteria for selection in the Fellowship Aging Partnership Program include:**

- Admission and confirmation of acceptance into the MSW program.
- Full or part-time MSW students entering Core/Foundation year of field placement.
- Good academic standing and proven ability to work well with clients, colleagues, and instructors.
- Interest in geriatric social work working with diverse population.
- Reliable transportation and willingness to travel between agencies.
- No criminal history or problems obtaining clearances.
- A commitment to participate in/complete:
  - A rotational field placement in our partner agencies over two semesters during regular day time hours.
  - Attend and/or assist with a pre-placement training in August over two days.
  - SW 6720 Social Services for Older Adults.
  - Semester meetings with agency partners and fellow students.
  - Fellowship Aging Partnership Program evaluation activities.

Applications for the program are due **Friday, April 9th, 2010**. Four CORE/Foundation Year students will be chosen.

Questions? Contact Takisha LaShore at 313-577-5193 or ap7738@wayne.edu. For more information about the national Partnership Program for Aging Education, go to:  
[http://www.socialworkleadership.org/nsw/ppp/about.php](http://www.socialworkleadership.org/nsw/ppp/about.php)
Wayne State University School of Social Work  
**Fellowship Aging Partnership Program**  

Return completed application **and one copy of your resume** to: Takisha LaShore, WSU, School of Social Work, 4756 Cass Ave, Detroit, MI 48201. **Application deadline is Friday, April 9th, 2010** for students beginning their CORE/Foundation Year placement Fall 2010. The application process is competitive.

**Please type or print information clearly**

Name: ___________________________  WSU ID Number: ________________

**Current** Mailing Address: _______________________________________________________

City/State/Zip code: __________________________________________________________

**Permanent** Mailing Address (if different from above):

____________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip code: __________________________________________________________

Telephone: ___________________________

WSU Email: __________________________

Your current student status (circle all that apply):

Full-time  Core Year  
Part-time  Advance Year

How did you hear about the Program? _________________

List any volunteer, employment, and personal experiences related to working with older adults and their family members (you may attach another piece of paper if necessary):

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List any academic courses or training that you have completed or are enrolled in that would be relevant to working with older adults and their family members:

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Do you have reliable transportation and are you willing to travel to other agencies?  Yes  No

Explain:

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Are there clearance, criminal record, or employment issues that may impact your ability to participate in this program (circle one)?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain:

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Please briefly address the following questions on a separate page (one paragraph per question)

1. What are your career goals? Where do you see yourself 5 years from now?

2. Why are you interested in working with older adults and their caregivers in diverse settings?

3. Discuss the attitudes, experiences, and skills that you will bring to this project.
Please provide us with the name of your first year/foundation field instructor, BSW field instructor or other social work supervisor as a reference (entering core student may provide other professional reference).

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Statement of Understanding: If I am offered a spot to participate in the Fellowship Aging Partnership Program and choose to take it, I agree to commit to the program and complete an application for participation each year of field work in the MSW program (participation will be determined by the School each year), to take specified courses, to accept field placements at partner agencies, to participate in the student seminars, to attend pre-placement trainings, and to complete program evaluations.

PLEASE NOTE: This Partnership Program requires that you complete field work at facilities external to the University, and that such facilities will or may require a criminal background check, TB test, a drug screen to determine whether you are qualified to participate in the field experience and/or other relevant requirements. If you are unable to meet these criteria, we cannot accept you into this program.

Permission to Contact References: Your signature here allows us to contact your references, access your student file and/or faculty and share information about your background with project staff and potential field instructors with Partnership Program.

Student Signature: _____________________________ Date: ______________