

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

This Policy on Awarding School of Social Work (SSW) Scholarships and Financial Aid is designed to inform applicants of the internal process for awarding financial aid & scholarships offered through the Wayne State University School of Social Work.

- The School's Scholarships and Financial Aid Committee is staffed by the Director of the Office of Admissions and Student Services who shall serve as Chair. Additional members include the MSW Academic Advisor, Academic Services Officer/BSW Advisor, Coordinator of Field Education, and (an) additional representative or representatives designated by the Dean.
- 2. Applicants to the School's degree programs, Bachelor of Social Work and Master of Social Work are eligible to apply for internal School of Social Work scholarships and financial aid, however only formally admitted students are eligible to receive School scholarships and financial assistance. Students registered as Non-degree or Certificate/Post Masters are ineligible to receive School-based financial aid and scholarships.
- 3. BSW applicants missing University General Education Competencies and/or Group Requirements are not eligible to receive internal School of Social Work scholarships and financial aid.
- 4. Factors for awarding School-based scholarships and financial aid include criteria contained in the scholarship provisions (Memorandum of Agreement) as specified by the scholarship donor or donors.
- 5. A student considered academically withdrawn or terminated shall forfeit any scholarship and/or financial assistance awarded through the School of Social Work.
- 6. Only complete applications will be considered for SSW scholarships and financial aid. All applications must include a completed FAFSA, supporting tax documentation and proof of all income <u>earned</u>. 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 scholarships and financial aid. (over)

- 7. Students awarded the WSU Graduate/Professional Scholarship or other non-Social Work tuition scholarship/grant/ fellowship after having been awarded a SSW scholarship (including SSW privately named scholarships) during the same academic year may have their SSW award rescinded. The decision to rescind a SSW award based on multiple financial aid awards received in given academic year rests with the SSW Scholarships and Financial Aid Committee and the Dean.
- 8. The School reserves the right to request additional information or to interview any applicant for financial aid and/or scholarships awarded through the School of Social Work.

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