### Requirements

- Maintain a 3.0 GPA in the MSW Program
- Complete first-year internship/placement in an agency that works directly with IV-E eligible children. CalSWEC faculty will match all students with an appropriate CalSWEC placement.
- Complete second-year internship in a public child welfare agency
- Complete a project/thesis and elective in the area of child welfare
- Participate in specialized training

NOTE: CalSWEC recipients are not eligible to pursue the PPS Credential program while in the MSW program.

## Commitment & Payback

Upon graduation, students will work in a public child welfare agency for one calendar year equal to each academic year for which the student received support. Graduates may apply to Los Angeles County DCFS (Department of Children & Family Services) **or** any county agency in California and are not limited to Los Angeles County DCFS. They may also apply to CDSS programs and Tribal/Urban Indian agencies providing child welfare services.

Students must secure qualifying employment and make efforts to apply for and accept employment in a qualifying agency in a position at a level appropriate for the degree received (MSW).

# How Do I Apply?

• To be considered for a stipend, applicants must be admitted to the 2-Year or 3-Year MSW Program.

- All interested applicants will complete the CalSWEC Title IV-E Program Application, which is included in the acceptance packet. Return it to Elizabeth Medina via email.
- Selected applicants will be invited to an oral interview.
- The CalSWEC Awards Committee selects

recipients. Students are notified in the summer.

#### For further information, please contact:

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California Social Work Education Center



#### Mission

The School of Social Work prepares BASW and MSW students for skilled professional practice in socially, culturally, and economically diverse urban communities. Our strength-based programs educate generalist social workers who are committed to social and economic justice and are able to facilitate change and growth at all levels of practice.

#### Accreditation

The Master of Social Work Program is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).



## What is CalSWEC?

The California Social Work Education Center (CalSWEC) is a partnership between the schools of social work, public human service agencies, and other related professional organizations that facilitates the integration of education and practice to assure effective, culturally competent service delivery to the people of California.

Funded by federal Title IV-E monies, CalSWEC provides stipends and/or financial support to MSW graduate students to prepare them for a rewarding career in public child welfare, with outstanding marketability and diverse opportunities for promotion and career growth.

For more information, visit <u>http://calswec.berkeley.edu/</u>

## Why Apply for CalSWEC?

The CalSWEC Program offers financial support to graduate social work students preparing for the field of public child welfare. Upon graduation, students will work in a public child welfare position for a period of time equal to the period for which they received support.

Currently there are two types of stipends: two year and three year. The CalSWEC Title IV-E Program provides 2-year program students with stipends of \$25,000 for each academic year. In the 3-year program, CalSWEC reimburses students for the cost of tuition, fees, books and mileage to internship placement sites.



#### 2-Year CalSWEC Program

Students in the 2-Year CalSWEC program receive a stipend of \$25,000 for each academic year, for a total of \$50,000 in two years. Check distribution is evenly divided in eight payments each year.

#### 3-Year CalSWEC Program

The 3-Year CalSWEC Program is limited to current county and state child welfare workers. Recipients receive reimbursement for tuition, fees, costs for required textbooks, and a travel allowance for classes and internship.

