

Title IV-E Stipend Program

FACT SHEET

The Title IV-E stipends are specifically designated for students planning to pursue a career in public child welfare with the Department of Human Resources.

Eligibility

- ✓ Must be a BSW student preparing to enter their field placement, an Advanced Standing MSW student, or MSW student in 2nd year with an emphasis on social work with children, adolescents and their families.
- ✓ Have an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher, OR a 3.0 GPA or higher for the last 30 semester hours.
- ✓ Secure appropriate field placement with the assistance of Social Work program Field Coordinator. Non-DHR employees must accept a field placement with a DHR County office. DHR employees must accept a field placement related to permanency in child welfare deemed appropriate by the Title IV-E Stipend Committee.

Application

- ✓ Access the Title IV-E Stipend Application online at socialwork.ua.edu/childwelfare under Title IV-E Stipend Program.
- ✓ Title IV-E Stipend Application Due Dates:
 - Spring Field Placements – Oct 1st
 - Summer Field Placements – Feb 1st
 - Fall Field Placements – Jun 1st

Interview

- ✓ If application is accepted, student must participate in a video conference interview with 3-4 members of the Title IV-E Stipend Committee.
- ✓ Stipend recipients are selected based on the final results of a rubric scoring tool designed specifically for the Title IV-E Stipend Program.

Recipient Responsibilities

- ✓ Successfully complete field placement based on the requirements of individual Social Work Program.
- ✓ Upon graduation, student must agree to accept child welfare employment from DHR for at least 18 months.
- ✓ Work with a professional development coach approximately 2 hours a month during *field placement** and work obligation.
- ✓ Complete a minimum of one IV-E Learning Activity a week during *field placement**.
- ✓ Satisfy all terms of the Title IV-E Stipend Agreement, which are covered in detail at socialwork.ua.edu/childwelfare.

**Students on concurrent placements will have coaching and learning activities during the 2nd half of their field placement.*

Stipend payments are awarded after successful completion of the stipend recipient's field placement and fulfillment of all terms of the Title IV-E Stipend Agreement.

For more information, please contact your university or college social work program's field coordinator or visit socialwork.ua.edu/childwelfare



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