

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WORKFORCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING (BHWET) STIPEND

### **Program Overview**

The BHWET Program is a federally funded initiative to increase the supply of trained behavioral health workers throughout the state of Alabama. The BHWET Program provides stipend opportunities for MSW trainees that are specifically interested in clinical training to provide behavioral health services to children, adolescents, and young adults (up to age 25). The BHWET Program is open to 2<sup>nd</sup> Year or Advanced Standing MSW students both On Campus and Distance Learning.

### **Trainee Benefits**

- **Stipend Opportunity** of \$25,000 for the year
- **Specialized Field Seminar** with BHWET cohort focusing on clinical skills, trauma informed care, interprofessional collaboration, crisis intervention, and multicultural awareness.
- **Professional Development** opportunities including simulation labs, licensure prep, and additional training.
- **Post Graduation** follow up and support.

### **Requirements**

#### **APPLY**

Complete application, references, and interview.

#### **LEARN**

Participate in field seminar, complete required simulation labs, and engage in required trainings.

#### **FOLLOW UP**

Apply for National Provider Number (NPI), provide grant-related follow up for at least 1 year after graduating.

### **Placement Settings**

Students are matched with a practicum placement that allows for trauma-focused, multiculturally sensitive, and clinically focused training providing behavioral health services to children, adolescents, and young adults.

#### **Examples of past and current placements include:**

University Medical Center • The Camellia Center • University Counseling Center • Tuscaloosa County Juvenile Court • Hillcrest Behavioral Health • Collegiate Recovery

*(Placements vary by semester and student interest.)*

To Apply

**Applications for Advanced Standing close on Wednesday June 10, 2026 at 11:45 PM CST**

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