



## What is the Child Welfare Scholars Program?

The Scholars Program aims to support, grow and retain a well-prepared workforce for child welfare in Colorado.

The scholars program is a partnership between:

- Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS)
- CO County Departments of Human Services
- MSU Denver’s Social Work Department

The Scholars Program is an excellent way for social work students to gain knowledge and experience!

Since 1995, CDHS has awarded over two million dollars to MSU Denver’s social work students who are completing their degrees with a focus on children and families. The Scholars Program federally funded by Title IV-E of the Social Security Act and matching state funds.

## Benefits of the CCWSC

Receive financial support towards your BSSW or MSW degree, with scholarships ranging from \$4,500 - \$14,000.

Attend New Caseworker Fundamentals Training Academy.

Learn best practices for working with children, youth, and families related to safety, permanency, and well-being.

Child welfare scholars have a high rate of immediate employment post-graduation.

## How to Qualify

To receive a scholarship, students must:

- Be accepted into the BSSW or MSW Program at MSU Denver.
- Complete electives in the Children and Families Pathway (MSW Program only).
- Complete a field placement in a Colorado county department of human/social services or Tribal human service agency.
- Commit to working in a Colorado county department of human services or Tribal child welfare agency for at least one year for each year the student receives funding post-graduation.

Learn more about the Colorado Child Welfare Scholars Program at:

<https://temp.msudenver.edu/ccwsc/>

Questions about the CCWSC?

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