

THE COLORADO CHILD WELFARE SCHOLARS CONSORTIUM



Want to support children and families in Colorado?

Interested in receiving money to help pay for your MSW?

The Colorado Child Welfare Scholars Consortium (CCWSC) at the University of Denver's (DU) Graduate School of Social Work (GSSW) provides funding ranging from \$12,000-\$14,000 a year to qualified students to help with educational expenses. Stipends exist for students and existing county employees in both rural and urban agencies including students attending GSSW's distance learning sites located in Durango and Glenwood Springs.

Stipend Requirements

Students receiving a child welfare stipend commit to employment in a Colorado Department of Social/Human Services or with a Tribal Nation within Colorado serving child welfare populations following graduation. Students must work at least one year for each year stipend funding is received.

Current County Employees | Current employees of CO County Departments of Human/Social Services are eligible to apply for a stipend if they are interested in pursuing their educational degree to enhance their career and continue their commitment to public child welfare. They must commit to returning to their current county position or a position in another county or Tribal Nation within Colorado.

Academic Requirements | Students must successfully complete the entire social work program in the child welfare concentration at GSSW. In addition, students will plan electives with their advisor and stipend program staff to advance their skills in child welfare practice. Students receiving the stipend must remain in good academic standing throughout their academic career.

Field Placements | Stipend recipients who are not currently employed in public child welfare must complete one year (three academic quarters) of field placement/internship in a public child welfare setting. Internship opportunities are available with County Departments of Social/Human Services throughout Colorado. Stipend students attend the Fundamentals of Child Welfare training as a part of their internship. This better prepares students for work in the field and increases the likelihood of immediate employment after graduation.

The Butler Institute for Families leads the process for GSSW. For more information about the stipend program and process, please visit: https://socialwork.du.edu/research/project/colorado-child-welfare-scholars-consortium-ccwsc. For more specific questions, feel free to contact: Katie Golieb, Katie.Golieb@du.edu.

Important Dates

Round One - Applications Due March 31, 2022; Interviews the weeks of April 11 and April 18, 2022

Round Two - Applications Due May 5, 2022; Interviews the week of May 24, 2022