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Welcome to the
BSSW PROGRAM
SENIOR CELEBRATION *and*
PINNING CEREMONY



TUESDAY, MAY 13TH
TIVOLI TURNHALLE ON
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CEREMONY STARTS AT
6:00PM

 *Congratulations!*



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Department of Social Work
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Congratulations, Graduates!

WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOUR HARD WORK, RESILIENCE, AND DEDICATION TO THE SOCIAL WORK PROFESSION. AS YOU STEP INTO THIS NEXT CHAPTER, REMEMBER: YOUR COMPASSION AND COMMITMENT WILL CHANGE LIVES. STAY BOLD, STAY KIND, AND **KEEP MAKING A DIFFERENCE.**

— WITH PRIDE AND GRATITUDE,

*all of us at the MSU
Denver Department of
Social Work*



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USE **#SWKGRAD** OR TAG US IN YOUR POSTS ON INSTAGRAM, FACEBOOK, TWITTER, OR LINKEDIN AND WE MAY SHARE YOUR POST TO OUR PAGES! THIS EVENT IS BEING **LIVE-STREAMED** ON THE “**GRADUATION EVENTS**” PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE:

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AFTER THE EVENT, THE VIDEO WILL BE AVAILABLE TO WATCH ON OUR WEBSITE AND THE MSU DENVER DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK YOUTUBE PAGE.



BSSW Program REGALIA *and* HONORS



STOLES

STOLES ARE DECORATIVE SASHES WORN OVER THE GRADUATION GOWN TO HONOR A GRADUATE'S IDENTITY, ACHIEVEMENTS, OR COMMUNITY. THEY MAY REPRESENT CULTURAL HERITAGE, ACADEMIC PROGRAMS, STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS, OR SPECIAL HONORS EARNED DURING A STUDENT'S TIME IN THE PROGRAM.

PHI ALPHA MEMBERS

REPRESENTED BY BLUE AND YELLOW BRAIDED CORDS OR YELLOW STOLES WITH THE PHI ALPHA SYMBOL, THE PHI ALPHA HONOR SOCIETY EPSILON LAMBDA CHAPTER IS THE MSU DENVER CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL SOCIAL WORK HONOR SOCIETY.

CHILD WELFARE SCHOLARS

REPRESENTED BY BLUE STOLES WITH GOLD TRIM, THE TITLE IV-E CHILD WELFARE STIPEND PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO PREPARE STUDENTS TO PURSUE A CAREER AS A CASEWORKER OR SUPERVISOR IN CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.

COACCESS SCHOLARS

REPRESENTED BY RED STOLES WITH GOLD TRIM, COACCESS SCHOLARS ARE PART OF THE BHWET STIPEND PROGRAM, WHICH PREPARES STUDENTS TO DELIVER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES ACROSS THE LIFESPAN, PARTICULARLY IN RURAL AND MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES.

SOCIAL WORK STUDENT AWARD RECIPIENTS

EACH SPRING, THE DEPARTMENT AWARDS BSSW STUDENTS NOMINATED BY FACULTY AND FELLOW STUDENTS. THIS YEAR THE CATEGORIES WITH GRADUATES ARE: SOCIAL WORK SCHOLAR, SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND SOCIAL WORK INTERN.

Program of Events



PROCESSION OF GRADUATES

WELCOME & LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

BARBARA DECKER, BSSW PROGRAM DIRECTOR

SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT CHAIR REMARKS

DR. JESSICA RETRUM, PHD

KEYNOTE

DR. MATT MAKLEY, PROVOST AND EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT
OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

FACULTY & STUDENT AWARDS

INTRODUCTION BY BARBARA DECKER, BSSW PROGRAM
DIRECTOR

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF STUDENT AWARDS BY 2025 FACULTY
OF THE YEAR, DR. JESSICA RITTER, PHD.

STUDENT SPEAKER

KRISTEN SANDERS, BSSW GRADUATE

PINNING OF BSSW GRADUATES

GRADUATE NAME ANNOUNCER: KARINA BENABE, MSW

GRADUATE PINNING: DR. JESSICA RITTER

CLOSING REMARKS

DR. JESSICA RITTER, PHD



BSSW PROGRAM HONORS AND AWARDS

THE LIST OF 2025 BSSW PROGRAM GRADUATES CAN BE FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE AND BACK OF THE PROGRAM. THE FOLLOWING SYMBOLS INDICATE HONORS AND AWARDS EARNED WHILE IN THE BSSW PROGRAM:

- Φ PHI ALPHA HONOR SOCIETY MEMBER
- ◇ CHILD WELFARE SCHOLAR
- * SOCIAL WORK STUDENT AWARD RECIPIENT
- ◊ COACCESS SCHOLAR



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