

## School of Social Work Funding Consideration Form (Optional)

This information will be used to guide us in determining a match for potential sources of departmental funding at the School (e.g. fellowships/scholarships). Please be aware that this is the only opportunity for departmental funding consideration for incoming students. This form does not impact admissions decisions.

We encourage students with financial need and who are historically underrepresented in the field of social work to apply.

Please explore the School's [website](#) for additional options for funding your education (e.g. graduate assistantships, traineeships, scholarships for continuing students, resources for undocumented students)

Please indicate if you would like to complete this OPTIONAL section.

- Yes - I would like to complete
- No - I would like to skip

### 1. Eligibility:

- Submission of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or a Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA) **by the January 15th priority deadline.**
  - Please note that we consult with the Office of Student Financial Aid to determine financial need based on the FAFSA/WASFA. There is also an opportunity to address your financial need situation that may not be represented in the FAFSA/WASFA. Please complete the FAFSA/WASFA as soon as possible, if you are eligible, as this is a requirement for consideration since financial need is often a determining factor for many awards.
  - If you are ineligible for the FAFSA or WASFA (i.e. you're an international student), this requirement is waived.
  - **If you miss the priority deadline, we still suggest submitting the FAFSA/WASFA as soon as possible.**
- Complete submission of this form **by January 16th 11:59pm PST.**
- Applicants do not have to be a US Citizen or resident. International and undocumented students are encouraged to apply.
- Students who have multiple quarter assistantships (e.g. GSAs covering tuition with stipend and benefits) or recipients of WDI, WSW, or CWTAP grants are eligible for additional funding, however they are not considered a priority group.

*The information gathered in this form will only be shared with members of the scholarship committee and will not be retained beyond the purpose of scholarship determinations.*

*Fellowships and scholarships will be used to help support the School's recruitment and retention efforts to support diversity within the School's learning*

*community. Departmental funding is awarded on the basis of merit and demonstrated need.*

- o I have read and understand the eligibility requirements.
2. Have you filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or a Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA) form for the 2024-2025 academic year?

The FAFSA for the 2024-2025 academic year opens in December 2023.

Please note this is a requirement for scholarship eligibility. (International students are waived from this requirement.)

- o Yes
- o No but I plan to
- o Ineligible (international students)

**As a priority, we aim to support individuals from historically low-income/disadvantaged backgrounds. To help us better understand your financial need, please respond to the following optional questions as you feel comfortable.**

3. Please select any of the following that you experienced as a child/young person
- o I/my family experienced homelessness
  - o I was in foster care
  - o I/my family received social service assistance
4. Please select any of the following that apply to you now or during adulthood
- o Homeless
  - o First-generation college student (neither of your parents/guardians have completed a 4-year degree at a college or university)
  - o Eligible for Federal Pell Grant (or Husky Promise)
  - o Recipient of social service assistance
  - o Single parent (defined as being unmarried or legally separated from a spouse with one or more minor children for whom the individual has full custody or joint custody)
5. Choose one to two options that best describe how you financed your undergraduate education
- o Mostly loans
  - o Mostly family contributions
  - o Mostly personal contributions
  - o Mostly need-based aid and scholarships

- Mostly merit-based aid and scholarships
6. To help us match applicants to all potential departmental awards, or departmental nominations for UW funding, please select any of the following:

I am... (check all that apply)

- A veteran
  - Ineligible for Federal Financial aid (international students and undocumented students)
  - An individual with tribal/indigenous affiliation/membership
7. If applicable, please describe your tribal/indigenous affiliation/membership.
8. Please provide any relevant information regarding your financial need that might not otherwise be captured by the FAFSA/WAFSA (50-150 words or less).

We understand that the high cost of living in Seattle is a burden for most students, and that most students are assigned to unpaid practicums. To provide additional context about your individual circumstances, please focus your response on your specific situations and/or hardships that may help us better understand your financial need.

### **Additional Information**

9. Some departmental funds provide financial assistance for students dedicated to serving Native American/American Indian, Alaska Native, and/or indigenous communities. If interested, you will need to answer one additional question of around 50-150 words.

Would you like to be considered for this funding opportunity?

- Yes
- No

*If yes:*

10. Some departmental funds provide financial assistance for students dedicated to serving Native American/American Indian, Alaska Native, and/or indigenous communities.

To be considered, please tell us about your commitment to serving Native American/American Indian, Alaska Native, or indigenous communities. Highlight specific past work, service experiences, research, and/or future plans. *Length: 50-150 words.*

11. Do you intend to apply for the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Traineeship (WDI Grant)?

If you intend to apply, the WDI application is separate- for more information on the application process and timeline, go [here](#).

Based on financial need, clinical social work students receive grants, up to \$51,500, to offset their graduate education expenses. In return, they must serve in a specialized practicum, and post-graduation, in approved community-based behavioral health agencies or tribal health centers in Washington state for one to three years.

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

12. Do you intend to apply for the Child Welfare Training and Advancement Program (CWTAP)?

In this state-funded program, clinical social work students receive grants to offset their graduate education expenses. In return, they must serve, post-graduation, in a Washington State DCYF position for a time period equal to the time they received financial assistance.

The CWTAP application is separate and will be emailed to all admitted students. For more information, go [here](#).

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

13. Please describe any significant funding (e.g. educational sponsorship, private scholarships, or graduate student assistantships/RAships/TAships - these typically include tuition waivers, stipends, and benefits) you will receive during the academic year.

14. By submitting this form, I acknowledge I must also submit the FAFSA/WAFSA (if eligible) in order to be considered for financial support through the School of Social Work.

- Yes

15. I understand that there may be additional funding opportunities available to me, such as the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), WDI, CWTAP, etc. where I would need to apply separately to be considered.

- Yes

16. I acknowledge that failure to submit complete and accurate information by the deadline may result in ineligibility for departmental funding, revoking a previous offer of funding/scholarship, and even denial of admission or rescinding an offer of admission.

Yes

17. I understand that applicants are expected to create and submit original scholarship application materials without the assistance of Artificial Intelligence (AI) content generators, such as ChatGPT. I confirm I wrote all my own scholarship application materials and understand the importance of academic and professional honesty and integrity. Issues of dishonesty may result in ineligibility for departmental funding, revoking a previous offer of funding/scholarship, and even denial of admission or rescinding an offer of admission.

Yes