Florida State University College of Social Work
Doctoral Program Financial Support

Assistantships

The College of Social Work provides funding to students for the first three calendar years of their education (from the beginning of the fall semester of the first year through the end of the summer semester of the third year). The College pays for up to twelve (12) credit hours of students’ tuition fall and spring and up to nine (9) credit hours during the summer. The College also provides an assistantship with stipend of $18,796 per calendar year (2017-2018 Academic year rates). Continued funding of the stipend at the level offer is contingent upon University allocations, satisfactory student performance, and maintenance of full-time enrollment. The College aids students in obtaining scholarships, fellowships, and dissertation funding. By their third year in the program, students may be eligible to teach independently and can be hired to teach courses while they finish their dissertation work.

College of Social Work Scholarships

The College of Social Work awards numerous scholarships (CSW Financial Assistance) to incoming and current social work students each year. The following opportunities are specifically targeted to doctoral students:

**Dianne F. Harrison-Montgomery Scholarship:** The annual scholarship will be awarded to a doctoral student in the Florida State University College of Social Work based on a competitive review of submitted papers. Student must be currently enrolled and earned dissertation status.

**Robert P. Hurrle Doctoral Scholarship Fund:** Earnings shall support the formal education and training of students through the College of Social Work's Ph.D program. The academic qualifications of the students and dedication to evidence-based social work should be considered during selection. The Director of the Ph.D Program shall select, with the approval of the Dean of the College of Social Work, each year's recipient of the Robert P Hurrle Doctoral Scholarship from among the full- time students newly entering the Ph.D. program. Priority shall be given to students having a special interest in special needs of the aged or those having an interest in working with the U.S. Military.

**Walter Hudson Doctoral Scholarship:** This scholarship was established to fund one or more students selected to cover tuition and/or a stipend as directed by the Dean of the College of Social Work.

**Violet Crook Graduate Scholarship:** This scholarship was created to support doctoral students in the College of Social Work at Florida State University. Recipients of awards from this fund shall be students who seek to contribute to the body of knowledge on women's issues in the macro social environment.

**David L. Albright Social Work Endowed Doctoral Scholarship on Military- and Veteran-Connected Populations:** This award is intended to provide support to College of Social Work doctoral candidates that are committed to contributing to the research and scholarship on military- and/or veteran-connected populations. The scholarship will be based on a successfully defended dissertation prospectus that articulates a central problem focused on military- and/or veteran-connected populations.

**Christopher D. Hefren Child Welfare Endowed Doctoral Scholarship:** This award is intended to support doctoral students with their focus in child welfare.
Florida State University Graduate School Scholarships

The Florida State University Graduate School offers several scholarships with generous support for doctoral students. Many social work doctoral students have been awarded these scholarships. Two social work doctoral students received the Legacy Scholarship, which provides $10,000 per year plus tuition over five years. Another student received the Wilson-Auzenne Scholarship, which provides a $5,000 stipend for eligible minority students.

External Funding

Doctoral students can apply for funding (e.g., fellowships, scholarships, research awards) outside of FSU to support their coursework and their dissertation studies. Students typically work with their Major Professors to pursue these opportunities with the support of the College’s Institute for Social Work Research staff. Examples of foundation and government external funding agencies include the Hartford Foundation, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, National Institute of Mental Health, and the National Institute on Aging.