

Scholarships & Financial Aid

Scholarships through the BYU School of Social Work

Application Procedure for all Scholarships from the School of Social Work

Complete the Scholarship Application found on our website: socialwork.byu.edu > Admissions > MSW Scholarship Application. Deadline for submission is **January 15th**, uploaded to your online graduate school application. Only admitted students will be eligible to receive scholarships and other financial aid.

Gibbons Scholarship

The Gene Gibbons Endowment was established in 2011 through the generous contributions from the Friends of Brigham Young University Social Work Program. The scholarship is designed to meet the financial needs of outstanding students who are committed to pursuing the Master of Social Work degree at BYU.

Value: Full LDS-rate tuition for one semester and half LDS-rate tuition for one semester.

Eligibility: Typically awarded to two 1st year graduate students annually. Recipients are chosen based on a variety of criteria including academic achievement, identified need, community service, and potential for contribution in the field of social work.

Social Work Advocate Scholarship

The Social Work Advocate Scholarship is designed to meet the financial needs of outstanding students who are committed to pursuing the Master of Social Work degree at BYU.

Value: Partial or Full LDS-rate tuition for one semester.

Eligibility: Typically awarded to 10-15 1st year graduate students annually. Recipients are chosen based on a variety of criteria including academic achievement, identified need, community service, and potential for contribution in the field of social work.

Other Financial Aid through the BYU School of Social Work

Graduate Assistantships

There are a limited number of teaching assistantships and research assistantships awarded each year, mostly to first year students. Students are required to work approximately five or more hours per week (up to 70 hours per semester) and are compensated on an hourly basis, with the potential to earn approximately \$1,120 per semester. The research assistantships are open to all graduate students in the School but a demonstrated interest in research is useful. The intensity of the applicant's financial need is taken into account in awarding all assistantships. Newly admitted MSW students will be sent the Graduate Assistant application.

Paid Fieldwork Placements

The potential for paid fieldwork placements becomes available to all MSW students during their third semester, Spring term, when fieldwork begins. These paid placements are typically made available to all students who need and desire them. The compensation averages about \$4500 for the Spring/Summer terms and an additional \$6000 for Fall and Winter Semesters combined. The availability of paid placements changes from year to year and depends on the current operating budget of internship agencies. The selection of students for placement in a given agency is dependent on a number of variables including the student's interests and career

goals, the agency's preference for particular students, and the Director of Field Education's assessment of individualized educational needs.

AmeriCorps Education Awards

Currently, education awards are available to students who are US Citizens, intern at a non-profit agency and serve more than 450 hours (spring/summer terms for approx. \$1527) and/or 675 hours (fall/winter semesters for approx. \$2221).

Other Funding Opportunities at BYU

Financial Aid and Scholarship Office

The Financial Aid and Scholarship Office provides student financial aid information and how to apply, including part-time work, scholarships, federal grants, federal loans, and BYU loans. Their website is financialaid.byu.edu.

FHSS Internship Grants

Current undergraduate and graduate students who are declared majors in a program in the College of Family, Home and Social Sciences or in International Relations may apply for an internship grant.

Marjorie Pay Hinckley Chair Travel Grants

The Marjorie Pay Hinckley Chair in the College of Family, Home and Social Sciences provides funds to support student participation in professional academic conferences.

Office of Prestigious Scholarships & Fellowships

The Office of Prestigious Scholarships & Fellowships provides a list of scholarships arranged by type and field of study as well as resources available to students to aid in getting started on scholarship searches and applications.

Graduate Fellowship & Scholarships

Based on need. To obtain information about these loans and forms to apply, visit the Financial Aid Office web site contact them directly at A-41 ASB, BYU, Provo, Utah 84602, Phone: (801) 422-4104.

Merlin & Edna Sant Graduate Scholarship

Must be a graduate student in the FHSS College, have a minimum GPA of 3.2, and have Family as the central focus of your education.

FHSS Single Parent Scholarship

Must be a single parent in the FHSS college, 3.0 minimum GPA, and enrolled in 12 credit hours per semester.