

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY  
School of Social Work

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2007-08

Deadline: September 4, 2007

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # (home) \_\_\_\_\_  
Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Month/year)

\_\_\_\_\_ I am a Graduate Student \_\_\_\_\_ Advanced Standing  
\_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Year Full-time  
\_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Full-time  
\_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Year Extended-study  
\_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Extended-study  
\_\_\_\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Extended-study

\_\_\_\_\_ I am an Undergraduate Student, currently enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_ Full-time \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time

My current cumulative GPA is: \_\_\_\_\_

My undergraduate cumulative GPA (graduate students only) was \_\_\_\_\_

I am applying for the (select all that you are applying for):

- \_\_\_\_\_ Rebecca Ann Binkowski Memorial Scholarship  
\_\_\_\_\_ Stephen A. Crumm Memorial Endowed Scholarship  
\_\_\_\_\_ Robert Barstow Scholarship  
\_\_\_\_\_ Nathaniel McCaslin Scholarship  
\_\_\_\_\_ Deloris J. Phillips Scholarship (next award will be fall 2007, to one MSW student)

Please attach to this form:

1. Current resume
2. Two letters of reference that address your qualifications
3. A two to three page personal statement, addressing the following items:
  - a. Current areas of academic interest and specialization
  - b. Current, proposed, or desired internship
  - c. Volunteer experiences/community involvement
  - d. Previous awards, honors, and accomplishments
  - e. Future career aspirations
  - f. A statement explaining reasons you are qualified and deserving of the award(s) (you must include a specific statement for each scholarship request)

This form must be returned by 09/04/07 with your resume, letters of reference and personal statement to:

School of Social Work  
1903 W. Michigan Ave. #5354  
Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5354  
Attn: Student Services

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**Scholarships**

In an attempt to assist students with some of their financial burden, the School of Social Work offers a few scholarship opportunities. These scholarship awards will be determined throughout the academic year. Awards are determined using information from the Scholarship Application, resume, professional statement, and letters of reference

**Scholarships for M.S.W. Students Only**

**Rebecca Ann Binkowski Memorial Scholarship**

The Binkowski Memorial Scholarship is a \$1000.00 scholarship established to honor Rebecca Binkowski. Rebecca was a second-year full-time graduate student in the School of Social Work at Western Michigan University at the time of her death. While attending graduate school, she worked as a registered social worker and caregiver in the Kalamazoo mental health system. On February 3, 1993, a client in her care tragically murdered Rebecca. After her death, family and friends created this endowment in her memory. They all agreed that Rebecca would want social workers to continue caring for those in need.

The Rebecca Ann Binkowski Memorial Scholarship is awarded to one **second-year full-time graduate student** (this includes advanced-standing students) with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.75. The Rebecca Ann Binkowski Scholarship is awarded during the spring semester. Scholarship funds will be credited to the recipient's student account and will be available for tuition, fees, and books.

**Stephen A. Crumm Memorial Endowed Scholarship**

The Stephen A. Crumm Memorial Endowed Scholarship is a \$500 scholarship established to honor Stephen Crumm who graduated with his M.S.W. from WMU in August 1984. This scholarship is awarded annually to one **first-year full-time graduate student** with a minimum undergraduate cumulative GPA of 3.0. The recipient of this award must maintain a graduate GPA of 3.0 throughout the scholarship award period. Preference will be given to students with prior experience or current involvement in community service. Preference will also be given to students who are working parents. This scholarship is awarded during the fall semester. The scholarship award period is for one academic year with one-half of the scholarship awarded during the fall semester and the remaining half awarded during the spring semester. Scholarship funds will be credited to the recipient's student account and will be available for tuition, fees, and books.

**Scholarships for both M.S.W. and B.S.W. Students**

**Nathaniel McCaslin Scholarship**

Western Michigan University created this \$500.00 scholarship to honor Mr. Nathaniel McCaslin upon his retirement from the WMU School of Social Work. Mr. McCaslin has made outstanding life-long contributions to improving the quality of life in the community and the quality of social work education. Commitment to providing educational opportunities for students has been a large part of Mr. McCaslin's contributions.

The Nathaniel McCaslin Scholarship is awarded to **one B.S.W. student and one second-year M.S.W. student**. Priority will be given to those who meet one or more of the following criteria:

- First generation family member pursuing college degree;
- Commitment to working with adolescents;
- Single parent status;
- History of, or interest in, working in a community service area;

The Nathaniel McCaslin Scholarship is awarded during the spring semester.

### **Robert Barstow Scholarship**

In 1991, the School of Social Work Alumni Association started a collection to develop this scholarship to honor Mr. Robert Barstow. Mr. Barstow was the Associate Director of the School of Social Work from 1968 – 1974, and Director in 1974. His commitment to child welfare was demonstrated by employment as a caseworker, Director of Juvenile Court, Director of the Children's Aid Society, State Director of Michigan Children's Society, and Deputy Director of the Children's Charter of Courts on Michigan.

This \$500.00 Robert Barstow Scholarship is awarded each year to **one B.S.W. student and one first-year graduate student** (full-time or extended-study). Priority is given to those who meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Current or past TANF/AFDC recipient;
- Current or past employee of Family Independence Agency;
- Interest in a child welfare career.

The scholarship is awarded during the spring semester.

### **Deloris Jordan Phillips Scholarship**

Deloris Jordan Phillips retired from the faculty of the School of Social Work in December 1996, after 22 years of service. She taught courses in both the graduate and undergraduate programs. She had been an active participant, community member, and board member to numerous community organizations, including the Boy Scouts, NAACP, Kalamazoo Council of the Arts, YWCA, and Kalamazoo Civic Players. Upon her retirement, President Diether Haenicke allocated funds for the establishment of the Deloris J. Phillips Scholarship to honor her years of service to the University and the community.

This \$1000.00 scholarship is a two-year award, which contributes \$500.00 to the recipient each of the two years. It alternates every two years between an undergraduate social work major and a graduate student. The fall 2005 award went to an undergraduate student. The next award will be given to a **graduate student** in the fall of 2007. The scholarship recipient will be chosen on academic merit.

**The scholarship application is used to make decisions for all scholarships and is completed by students once each academic year.**