

DIANA R. GARLAND SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

MSW FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

We know that funding a graduate degree is a challenge for many people, but we also understand the value that an MSW can add to your professional career as a social worker. At Baylor, we are committed to subsidizing student costs in order to make it more affordable to obtain your MSW.

100%

100% of students admitted to the residential MSW program receive a financial aid package.

TUITION REMISSION

As part of the financial aid review process, each student is reviewed for their eligibility to receive a percent of tuition remission to offset the total cost. On average, the Garland School of Social Work offers a 5-15% remission. Students must be enrolled full-time, a minimum of 12 hours, to receive and maintain their discount.

SCHOLARSHIPS

After applying for grants, the next best source of funding comes from merit-based scholarships. These are generally supported by individual institutions (both public and private), as well as non-profit organizations. Merit-based scholarships are awarded based on a student's academic or other achievements. Like grants, these do not need to be repaid. There are thousands of scholarships students can apply for and several websites that can help you determine which scholarships you can apply for, but the best practice is to begin applying early and apply to as many as you can. Every student is automatically considered for a scholarship based on need, merit, and academic focus.

LOANS

A loan is money that is given to a student to be used for tuition and other academic expenses, but is expected to be repaid with interest upon completion of a student's degree. If you have no other options, loans can be a great way to get started with your graduate degree, but be aware that you will need to have a plan in place to begin paying the borrowed money back as soon as you receive your diploma. Also, make sure that you look into the terms and conditions of the loan before signing. Compare which loans offer you the best interest rate and what their repayment options include.

GRANTS

Grants are free gifts of money that do not need to be repaid upon completion of your degree. In addition to applying for federal financial aid and applying for financial assistance from the school, grants are the next best option for financing your education. Grants are often need-based, meaning that the student must demonstrate a need for financial assistance, which is primarily determined by the FAFSA. Grants can come from the federal and state government, the college or university, or other private and non-profit organizations.

AID TYPES

DEPARTMENTAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MSW

Below are a few of the great departmental scholarships we have to offer our MSW students. For a complete list, [please visit our website!](#)

The Louise T. Brandon Stipends

The Louise T. Brandon Endowment Fund was established to further the good work of students who will pursue a vocation in social work. Preference is given to current staff of Buckner Baptist Benevolences, although scholarships/stipends may also be awarded to others who express a commitment to professional practice in faith-based organizations. Funds will be allocated as scholarships and/or work stipends in the school.

Robert Lee and Martha Dee Guthrie Memorial Endowed Scholarship

Graduate and undergraduate students are eligible to apply for the Robert Lee and Martha Dee Guthrie Memorial Endowed Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded to students who are interested in gerontology and have financial need.

The Joe M. and Marguerite Long Scholarship

Dr. Joe M. Long served continuously as an instructor in the baccalaureate social work program from its beginning in 1969, as well as in the MSW program through 2005. Dr. and Mrs. Long designated family and children services, mental and physical health care, and gerontological social work as the areas to be supported by this scholarship, because these are the areas in which he has served. Preference is given to gerontology students.

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HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT DEGREE REQUIREMENTS,
CAREER OUTLOOK, OR HOW TO FINANCE YOUR GRADUATE EDUCATION?

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