



# PhD Student Funding Application

## Application and CV Due Dates:

**January 7** for PhD and MSW-PhD Applicants OR **January 30** for Current PhD students

### Application and Submission Information:

**Who:** PhD & MSW-PHD Applicants and current PhD Students seeking funding

**Funding Available:** College or Grant Funded GRA or GTA positions; Graduate Student Lecturer positions (GSL); and Fourth Year Tuition Scholarship (FYTS)

**Additional Documents:** Resume or CV

**Submit to:** PhD Program Office electronically or in hard copy

## Contact Information

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Texting OK

## Residency and Program Information

Based on Ohio State classifications, are you an Ohio Resident?  Yes  No

What is your US citizenship status?  US Citizen  US Permanent Resident  US Visa

Do you have an MSW?  Yes  No

Which best describes your status in the PhD Program?

Applicant  Coursework phase  Cand. prep.  Dis. Proposal  Dissertation

What is your application or cohort year? \_\_\_\_\_

## Employment and Funding Status

Please indicate other anticipated employment and/or funding for the upcoming academic year. Provide details such as hours per week, name of employer/funder and employer/funder contact information.

## Previous Funding During PhD or MSW-PhD Program

List **funding** you have received during your PhD or MSW-PhD Program. Include: the year(s); type of position (e.g. GRA); funding source (e.g. College or Grant); a brief description; and supervisor's name.

## Funding Request and Preferences

Please check all types of funding for which you would like to be considered for the upcoming academic year.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GRA - College Funded</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GTA - College Funded</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Graduate Student Lecturer</b>    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GRA - Grant Funded</b>   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GTA - Grant Funded</b>   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>4th Year Tuition Scholarship</b> |

List your choices in order of preference.

List any additional requests.

## Interest, Knowledge, Experience, and Skills

In order to make the best research or teaching placement for you, please complete the following about your interests, knowledge, experience, and skills.

**Areas of Interest or Knowledge:** List social work populations and subfields of interest, e.g. child welfare

**Research Experience:** Describe your research experience, including collecting, coding, and entering data; transcribing or conducting interviews; analyzing data; writing a thesis or reports.

**Research Related**

**Computer Skills:** List computer software you have used.

**Course Preference:**

List Social Work courses that you feel competent to teach or have taught. Support your choices with information about your teaching experience or background.

Some undergraduate courses that GTAs or GSLs would likely teach are: introductory courses (1130 and 1120), Minority Perspectives (1140), Professional Values and Ethics (3101), Lifespan Development (3301), Discovering and Applying Evidence (3401 and 3402), and generalist practice courses (3501, 3502, 4501, 4502, and 4503). GTAs and GSLs have also taught research and other MSW courses. You do not need to limit your list to the courses listed here. Please see the Course Offerings Bulletin *via* Buckeye Link for a list of Social Work courses.

**Additional Information and Certification**

Use this space to provide any additional information, comments, or requests. International students should include ESL certificate information here. It can be found in your Advising Report.

**Certification:**

All information reported in this application is true, correct, and complete. I agree to inform the College promptly of any financial changes and financial aid received from other sources subsequent to filing this application. Further, I authorize the College to discuss my application with agencies which may also be considering me for financial aid/funding.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

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Additional Documents for all applicants: CV or Resume

Additional Information for International Students: ESL Certification - Please provide this information from your Advising Report in the "Additional Information" box above.

## Information about funding

### **Graduate Associateships (GAs): GRAs and GTAs**

Graduate Associates may be either College Funded or Grant Funded. GAs receive a monthly stipend of at least \$1800 plus tuition and some fees for a 9 month 50% appointment. All GAs in the College of Social Work are required to provide 20 hours of work per week for 17 weeks or a total of 340 hours per semester. Although GAs are funded positions for students, GAs are employees of the College and are expected to work the full 340 hours each semester of appointment. Since GAs receive tuition and some fees they are required to register for classes during the semester of appointment - 8 hours (4 hours in summer) prior to candidacy and 3 hours after passing the candidacy exam.

### **Graduate Research Associates (GRAs):**

Graduate Research Associates work with faculty on faculty research projects, college research projects, or grant funded research projects. GRAs may be either college appointed by the PhD Program Director and Committee or grant funded with employment arrangements made directly by the funded faculty member.

### **Graduate Teaching Associates (GTAs):**

Like GRAs, Graduate Teaching Associates may be funded by the College or faculty research grants. GTAs are responsible for teaching primarily Social Work undergraduate courses and on occasion Social Work master's courses. GTAs work an average of 20 hours per week, but some weeks may require more time and others less as related to the pace of the course and time during the semester. All GTAs are required to attend the University Center for the Advancement of Teaching (UCAT) Orientation and Workshops for new TAs. Reports of attendance are sent to the PhD Program. GTAs for whom English is not the first language are required to pass a spoken English proficiency exam prior to appointment. GTAs are supervised by one or more College of Social Work faculty members. The GTA's specific duties are determined in conjunction with the faculty supervisor(s). GTA assignments are made based on staffing needs of the College and the interest and experience of the applicant.

### **Graduate Student Lecturers (GSLs):**

Graduate Student Lecturers are contracted to teach Social Work undergraduate and master's courses. Contracts are per course per semester with a two semester or 8 month salary of at least \$16,200. GSLs *do not receive benefits including tuition benefits*, but are required to register for at least three credit hours and must comply with other applicable University enrollment requirements. Students who are not enrolled in classes during the semester may still teach at the College, but for a reduced rate. GSLs are supervised by College of Social Work faculty and a GSL's duties are determined in conjunction with those faculty members. Decisions about appointments are based on staffing needs of the College and the interest and experience of the applicants.

### **Fourth Year Tuition Scholarship (FYTS):**

The Fourth Year Tuition Scholarship is offered to PhD students who have passed the candidacy exam (have candidacy status) and are working on the dissertation. The FYTS is for a maximum of two semesters with enrollment in 3 credit hours per semester, the required number of credit hours under the Continuous Enrollment Policy of the Graduate School. Students may take more than 3 credit hours, but the scholarship will only cover 3 credit hours. Candidates holding a GSL position are eligible for the scholarship, but those with a GA position are not eligible since the GA position covers tuition. Candidates with neither a GSL nor GA position are eligible for the FYTS.

### **Notes:**

Students cannot be hired for more than 75% FTE and international students are limited to 50% FTE due to US visa requirements. Some applicants such as those for the combined MSW-PhD program may be offered 25% FTE appointments due to their Field placement commitments. Those on 25% appointments are required to enroll in 4 hours (8 for pre-candidacy international students) and tuition and applicable fees are covered at 50% of the total.

Every attempt is made to distribute GA and GSL positions equitably and to provide experiences in teaching and research that will prepare students for their careers in social work education and scholarship. Decisions are based on a number of factors including past performance, College staffing needs, an applicant's interests and experience, facility with spoken and written English, and previous academic work and performance.