



WASHBURN

SOCIAL WORK

Newsletter

December
2025

Wrap someone in hope



Want to help our community during these cold conditions?

Blanket donations will be accepted until December 5, 2026.

Drop off location at SAS building inside the Social Work Office.

Proceeds will go to the Topeka Rescue Mission

If you have any questions, please contact natalia.loya@washburn.edu

Washburn Student Social Work Association

WSSWA meetings:

December 5, 2025, Noon-1p.m.

February 6, 2026 Noon-1p.m.

A group for social work students. All are welcome to attend in person and virtually:

<https://washburn.zoom.us/j/87491267843?pwd=aVk1I2hNfqEiiGD8bjlboZJzKQHyEP.1>

SAS Spring 2026 Scholarship Winner

Congratulations to student Mason Weber



Textbook Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to Our Spring 2026 Textbook Scholarship Awardees!

The Department of Social Work is proud to recognize the recipients of this semester's Textbook Scholarships. Please join us in celebrating our BSW awardees—Tylr Burke, Maya Mumpower, Tricia Brown, Natalia Loya, and Drea Penndragon—and our MSW awardees—Arianna Quintana Zamora, Layla Fund, Genesis Ponce, Jamie Reyes-Guitierrez, and Je'nea Jones.

Textbook Scholarships will also be available for Fall 2026, with applications opening in March 2026. Please stay tuned for an upcoming email with full details on how to apply!



2026 BELL Scholarship

The BELL Scholarship, sponsored by the Topeka Community Foundation, is available to college students pursuing degrees in mental health related professions such as social work. Students must have graduated from a Kansas high school and currently attend Washburn or a KBOR university.

Deadline: Apply by February 3, 2026

Award amount is \$1,000.00

To apply go to: <https://topekacommunityfoundation.awardspring.com>

SW Scholarship application for 2026-27

The School of Applied Studies offers scholarships to BSW and MSW students each year based on need and academic performance. Applicants must be an admitted social work student who plans to enroll in Fall 2026.

The application is open now with a deadline of February 15th, 2026 at 11:59 pm. The application will be completed through an online form. More information and the link to the online application is on the School of Applied Studies Scholarship webpage. Applied Studies Scholarship Application | Washburn University

Questions can be directed to your social work advisor or Alicia Moulden in the SAS Dean's Office.

Student Perception Surveys (SPS)? Why bother?

Student feedback about courses and instruction is very important to your Social Work faculty. Instructors use SPS information to make changes in their courses. The department evaluates trends and qualitative responses to inform the curriculum. Scores from SPS are a crucial component of annual performance evaluations. The department chair and the Dean of SAS use this information to make important decisions related to student experiences. Please take a moment to share your experience by completing your Student Perception Surveys.

Save the date!

- **Licensing Exam Workshop, February 6, 2026, 8:45a.m.-12:30p.m.**

The event will be In-person in the Kansas Room located in the Memorial Union, on Washburn University Campus. This event is for BSW and MSW students that are graduating in May 2026. We will have a representative from the Kansas Behavioral Science Regulatory Board (BSRB) that will provide insight on the application process and the expectations of licensed social workers in Kansas.

We will then break into MSW and BSW groups and will go over exam practice questions.

Student are required to register by, January 14th, 2026.

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