



Boston University School of Social Work

2025/2026 SSW SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

(continuing students)

Application Procedure

- In a **one-page, typed, double-spaced statement**, please describe your interest in each scholarship for which you are applying and what qualifies you to be considered for it. Please include a brief assessment (one paragraph within the one page) of your personal financial need. You may apply for as many of these scholarships as you want, but a **different** statement must be submitted for each scholarship. All application material is considered confidential and will be reviewed only by the School's Financial Aid Office and the Award Selection Committee. Kindly note that students who have already received SSW scholarship funds that total full tuition will not be considered for additional scholarship funds.
- Email your statement(s) to the BUSSW Financial Aid Office no later than **April 25, 2025**
- For more information, please contact the BUSSW Financial Aid Office at 617/353-1333 or by e-mail at sswfa@bu.edu.

Important Instructions:

- Please attach the appropriate application form to your statement.
- Kindly indicate your name on the application form only. **Please do not write your name on your statement.**
- Due to the volume of applications received, statements longer than one, typed, double-spaced page cannot be considered.
- Supplemental materials (i.e., resumes, references, etc.) will not be considered.

Award Decisions

- The award decisions will be based on an evaluation of the statements submitted by the applicants.
- The award decisions will be made on or about June 27, 2025

KINDLY RETURN YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM AND STATEMENT NO LATER THAN APRIL 25, 2025 TO FINANCIAL AID OFFICE, BOSTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK, 264 BAY STATE ROAD, BOSTON, MA 02215 OR BY EMAIL TO sswfa@bu.edu.

PLEASE NOTE: This information is subject to change.

THE WENDY CAROL BYERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Establishment

The Wendy Carol Byers Memorial Scholarship Fund was established at Boston University in 1991, with gifts by family and friends, in memory of Wendy Byers, who graduated from the School of Social Work, Class of 1990. The Scholarship honors Wendy’s outstanding commitment to individuals with her own special needs. One or more scholarships, up to \$9,000, will be awarded to a graduate social work student(s) for the 2025/2026 academic year.

Eligibility

Open to any full or part-time BUSSW student who identifies as having a disability (as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act) and demonstrates financial need. Detailed information on this definition is available upon request.

Please briefly respond to the following two questions:

1. Describe your disability, and how it has affected your life. How have you overcome these challenges?
2. How has your disability impacted your decision to pursue a career in social work? Please describe the values that will guide your work.

THE 2025/2026 WENDY CAROL BYERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

Name _____ E-mail _____

Address _____ Telephone(_____) _____

Please include this section with your statement.

THE THOMAS D. MACKEY III MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Establishment

The Thomas D. Mackey III Memorial Scholarship Fund, which supports a student with experience in and/or a commitment to group work with people with the HIV virus, was established in 1294. One or more scholarships, up to \$14,000, will be awarded to a graduate social work student(s) for the 2025/2026 academic year.

Eligibility

Open to any full-time BUSSW student who has had experience in and/or demonstrates a commitment to group work with people with the HIV virus and with their family and friends.

THE 2025/2026 THOMAS D. MACKEY III MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

Name _____ E-mail _____

Address _____ Telephone(_____) _____

Please include this section with your statement.

THE DEAN WILMA PEBBLES-WILKINS HUMAN RELATIONS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Establishment

The Dean Wilma Peebles-Wilkins Human Relations Scholarship Fund was established by Wilma Peebles-Wilkins, former Dean of the School, on the occasion of the School's 85th anniversary. A scholarship in the amount of \$5,000 will be awarded to a continuing, full-time student for the 2025/2026 academic year.

Eligibility

Open to any full-time, BUSSW second-year student who demonstrate outstanding ability in communicating and interacting across cultural, racial, and ethnic lines.

THE 2025/2026 DEAN WILMA PEBBLES-WILKINS HUMAN RELATIONS SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

Name _____ E-mail _____
Address _____ Telephone(_____) _____

Please include this section with your statement.

THE HOLLY MARGOLIN ZWERLING SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Establishment

The Holly Margolin Zwerling Scholarship Fund was established in honor of Ms. Zwerling, a 1976 graduate. Ms. Zwerling has dedicated her social work practice to the development and implementation of parenting support programs. One or more scholarships up to \$800 scholarship will be awarded to a graduate social work student for the 2025/2026 academic year.

Eligibility

Open to any full- or part-time BUSSW student who, through life and/or work experience, demonstrates a commitment to and/or interest in parenting support issues and programs and has financial need.

THE 2025/2026 HOLLY MARGOLIN ZWERLING SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

Name _____ E-mail _____
Address _____ Telephone(_____) _____

Please include this section with your statement.

THE LOUISE & ANNA FREY MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Establishment

The Louise and Anna Frey Multicultural Education Scholarship Fund is a combination of two separate funds. One was established by then-Professor Louise Frey in 1989 to honor her mother and the other established by then-Dean Hubie Jones to honor Professor Frey. Several scholarships up to \$5,000 each, will be awarded to graduate social work students for the 2025/2026 academic year.

Eligibility

Open to any full- or part-time, BUSSW student who is engaged in multicultural academic activities.

THE 2025/2026 LOUISE & ANNA FREY MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

Name _____ E-mail _____

Address _____ Telephone(_____) _____

Please include this section with your statement.

THE HUBIE JONES URBAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Establishment

The Hubie Jones Urban Scholarship Fund was established in 1993 to support programs which enable social work practice in urban settings. Hubie Jones is a Dean Emeritus of our School. One or more scholarships, up to \$13,000, will be awarded to a graduate social work student(s) for the 2025/2026 academic year.

Eligibility

Open to any full- or part-time BUSSW student who is engaged in social work practice in an urban setting.

THE 2025/2026 HUBIE JONES URBAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

Name _____ E-mail _____

Address _____ Telephone(_____) _____

Please include this section with your statement.

THE GOLDA EDINBURGH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Establishment

The Golda Edinburgh Scholarship Fund was established by Golda M. Edinburgh, a 1946 graduate of the School of Social Work. Ms. Edinburgh is the founder and first director of the Social Work Department at McLean’s Hospital in Belmont, Massachusetts. One or more scholarships up to \$10,000 will be awarded for the 2025/2026 academic year.

Eligibility

Open to BUSSW full-time clinical social work students with high merit and financial need who demonstrate a strong interest in mental health.

THE 2025/2026 GOLDA EDINBURGH SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

Name _____ E-mail _____
Address _____ Telephone(_____) _____

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THE ROSEMARY PAZOL MUNDELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Establishment

The Rosemary Pazol Mundell Scholarship Fund, which supports incoming parenting students, was established by the Class of 1989 of the Boston University School of Social Work in memory of Ms. Mundell. One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 will be awarded to an incoming graduate social work student for the 2025/2026 academic year.

Eligibility

Open to any full- or part-time BUSSW incoming student who, in addition to pursuing a social work education, is a parent.

THE 2025/2026 ROSEMARY PAZOL MUNDELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION2

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Address _____ Telephone(_____) _____

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THE SINGER FAMILY FOUNDATION PRIZE FOR GAY/LESBIAN/TRANSGENDER SSW STUDENTS

Establishment

The Singer Family Foundation Prize for Gay/Lesbian/Transgender Students was established by a 1969 BUSSW alumna and her family foundation, and provides an award of up to \$3,000 to a self-identified gay, lesbian, or transgender full- or part-time graduate social work student for the 2025/2026 academic year.

Eligibility

Open to any full- or part-time BUSSW student who should address the following in their statement: their self-identification as gay, lesbian, or transgender, their commitment to paid or volunteer service to the gay, lesbian, and/or transgender community, and their expression of an intention to continue such service in their professional social work career.

THE 2025/2026 SINGER FAMILY FOUNDATION PRIZE APPLICATION

Name _____ E-mail _____
Address _____ Telephone(_____) _____

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THE CAROLYN JACOBS PRIZE

Establishment

The Carolyn Jacobs Prize was established in 2004 by a 1981 BUSSW alumni to honor Professor Carolyn Jacobs, who was a member of the School’s faculty from 1978-1980. The prize, of up to \$2,000 will be awarded to one or more outstanding continuing graduate social work students for the 2025/2026 academic year.

Eligibility

Open to any continuing full- or part-time BUSSW student who has an interest in and a commitment to social work practice in a healthcare setting and has financial need. Please describe the relationship between the focus of this fund and your field placement, classroom, and any current extracurricular activities.

THE 2025/2026 CAROLYN JACOBS PRIZE FUND APPLICATION

Name _____ E-mail _____
Address _____ Telephone(_____) _____

Please include this section with your statement.