Child Welfare Fellows Program
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The Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences at CWRU would like to invite your agency to partner with us in a National Child Welfare Fellows Program. This partnership will sponsor a cohort of Northeast Ohio public child welfare employees for scholarships to obtain a master’s degree in social work. The program focuses on child welfare competencies in context of our ability-based curriculum and CSWE outcomes.

FACT Sheet

- Fellows must be full-time public child welfare staff of Cuyahoga, Summit, Lorain, Lake, Medina, Stark, Ashtabula, Geauga, Richfield, Huron or Trumbull Counties
- Fellows must meet admission criteria for the Intensive Weekend Program
- Fellows receive 75% tuition remission
- Fellows must remain in good standing to remain as a Fellow
- For every year of funded graduate education, Fellows must return a year of public child welfare employment after they complete their degree. So, if Fellows are funded for 3 years, they must give 3 years to the public agency after completion of their degree. Fellows must sign a promissory note to this effect.
- Fellows must participate in additional supervision and programming that we offer during the time they are a student
- Fellows will develop portfolios that document their abilities and child welfare competencies which they will present as a poster during the graduation semester
- Every Fellow must have training in supervision and leadership; they have two required courses in place of electives

This program is a collaboration between the National Child Welfare Workforce Institute (NCWWI), the Mandel School, and potentially, your agency. The program presents an opportunity for up to five students/employees per year to obtain full scholarships for their Master's Degree in Social Work in three years through MSASS's Intensive Weekend Program, while maintaining their full-time employment.

We want to recruit high quality candidates who have a firm commitment to remain in and contribute to public child welfare. If you are interested in nominating a staff for this Fellowship and need additional information, please contact either Victor Groza, Ph.D., LISW-S at vkg2@case.edu or Jerry Strom, M.S.W., LISW-S at gas4@case.edu