

IBHC FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

The Interdisciplinary Behavioral Health Collaboration (IBHC) Project includes a central focus to provide comprehensive integrated behavioral healthcare education and training to MSW students completing their final clinical practicum. Supported by a 1.3 million dollar, four year, Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training for Professionals grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), this one-year intensive training fellowship supports the project's goal to enhance the workforce for practice within integrated behavioral health, particularly within medically underserved areas and populations across Central and Western Massachusetts. Additional information is available regarding the IBHC Project on the WSU IBHC website at <http://www.westfield.ma.edu/interdisciplinary-behavioral-health-collaboration>

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

All *completed* Fellowship applications are due no later than February 1, 2019. The Fellowship application is a supplemental application and *does not* take the place of the standard WSU MSW Field Application that is required of all students entering field. Your Fellowship application packet will not be considered complete until the following are all received. Documents are to be sent electronically to Terri J. Haven, IBHC Field Education Director, at thaven@westfield.ma.edu.

1. Standard field application (submitted separately per instructions on the application)
2. IBHC application
3. Resume (attach to your IBHC application)
4. IBHC Reference (see reference form; must be from either most recent Field Instructor or social work employment supervisor). Instructions for the person providing the reference are included on the Reference Form.

REQUIREMENTS OF IBHC PROJECT FELLOWS

- Acceptance and successful completion of an MSW advanced year internship at an approved Massachusetts agency providing services in Interdisciplinary Behavioral Health and/or Integrated Primary Care.
- Complete specific IBHC Trainings as assigned.
- Contribute to the development and implementation of the IBHC Grand Rounds each semester.
- Contribute to the development and implementation of the IBHC Annual Conference.
- Engage in IBHC supervision during IBHC internship.
- Completion of grant-driven evaluations, surveys, questionnaires and other data. At a minimum data collection will occur at the beginning of the Fellowship, pre-post tests related to interprofessional trainings, at the end of the Fellowship, when employment is secured, and 1 and 2 years post-graduation.

- Attestation of commitment to provide integrated behavioral health and/or integrated primary care in a medically underserved area for a minimum of two years after receiving the MSW degree.

BENEFITS OF THE IBHC FELLOWSHIP

- IBHC Fellows receive a \$10,000 stipend during the academic year, distributed in two equal installments (one each semester).
- The IBHC Fellowship will provide the opportunity to develop the skills needed to work within the fast-growing practice arena of integrated care.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full Name

Address

Home Phone

WSU A#

Currently enrolled in:

MSW, Westfield

MSW, Worcester

Note: Only students entering the MSW Advanced Practicum are eligible to apply for the Fellowship.

- MSW 2 Year Full-time Program
- MSW 3 Year Part-time Program
- MSW 4 Year Part-time Program
- MSW Full-time Advanced Standing Program
- MSW Part-time Advanced Standing Program

One of the goals of the IBHC Project is to ensure participation of students from diverse backgrounds (racial, cultural, geographic, and class), students identifying as sexual and/or gender minorities, and students representing linguistic minorities. The following questions reflect those areas.

Racial and/or Ethnic Group (*check all that apply*)

- American Indian/Alaskan
- Hispanic/Latino
- Asian/Pacific Islander
- White/Caucasian
- Black/African American
- Other _____
- Declined to state

Native or primary language:

- English
- Spanish
- ASL
- Other _____

Second language capacity:

- English
- Spanish
- ASL
- Other _____

Gender Identity:

- Female
- Male
- Transgender
- Genderqueer, do not identify as male or female
- Other: _____
- Decline to state

Sexual Orientation: Do you think of yourself as... *(check all that apply)*

- Straight or heterosexual
- Lesbian, gay, or homosexual
- Bisexual
- Other _____
- Declined to state

Disadvantaged Background (Defined as individuals who come from a family with an annual income below established low-income thresholds and/or individuals who come from an educational environment such as that found in certain rural or inner-city environments that has demonstrably and directly inhibited the individual in knowledge, skills, and abilities)

- Yes No

