



***Social Work Department...Where Excellence is the Standard***

**Eligibility Criteria for Social Work Duke Endowment Scholarships**

- I. Automatic consideration for declared social work students with GPA of 3.0 and above.
- II. For students entering the major without having core social work courses, the GPA for social work 239 and any social work elective courses will be considered
- III. Consideration of students with GPA of 2.5 – 2.99 that demonstrate persistence in the major and dedication to completion of degree requirements. Consideration in these cases may include: life circumstance, community/university service hours, community leadership, student interview, additional essay, etc.
  - a. Committee can edit criteria for special circumstances.
  - b. Scholarships awarded in this category should include signature/approval of respective college dean.
- IV. Each semester that student receives scholarship may yield greater scholarship amount provided GPA is improved as funding allows. GPA improvement is determined by a minimal increase of one tenth of a point in cumulative GPA. Additionally, the student must maintain a 3.0 or better in their social work courses. The matrix example above is based on 5 semesters beginning with the spring semester of student's sophomore year.
- V. Students must apply for the scholarship annually for consideration and provide an unofficial copy of their transcripts
- VI. Students must remain a social work major during the semester they awarded the scholarship
- VII. Scholarship recipient's academic status will be reviewed every semester