### California Title IV-E Education Program STATEMENT

This program facilitates and supports a statewide partnerships for the education and training of social workers to ensure culturally responsive, effective, and high-quality health and social service delivery to the people of California.



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## CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH





### CALIFORNIA TITLE IV-E EDUCATION PROGRAM: THREE YEAR MSW PROGRAM

School of Social Work MSW Program

# WHAT IS THE California Title IV-E Education Program?

Funded by Federal Title IV-E dollars, This program provides financial assistance to students interested in pursuing a career in public child welfare. This is linked to a curriculum developed jointly by educators and professionals in public child welfare practice.





The three year program is limited to current employees with County and State Department of Social Services or Public Child Welfare Agencies.

Each student recipient receives reimbursement for tuition, fees, costs for required books, and reimbursement for parking and travel for each day of class or internship, up to the contracted maximum.

#### TITLE IV-E RECIPIENT EXPECTATIONS

- Recipients must complete the part-time model in the Children and Family Well-Being specialization and maintain a 3.0 grade point average.
- Foundation-year field must be completed in an agency that works directly with a IV-E-eligible population.
- Second-year field must be completed in their host public child welfare agency, with a focus on either direct practice or administration (in an area other than where they work).
- Recipients must complete a specialized child welfare curriculum that includes an elective course in child welfare, and must attend required meetings.
- Recipients are <u>not</u> eligible to pursue the PPS Credential program while in the MSW program.
- Recipients participating in the program sign a contract to return to their home agency to render six (6) months of continuous and satisfactory full-time employment for each 15 semester units of educational support (for a maximum of two years), at a level appropriate to a new MSW in public child welfare.



### How Do I Apply?

- To apply for the Title IV-E award, one must first apply and be admitted to both the University and CSULB School of Social Work Three-Year Model by the last Friday in June.
- Next, incoming students must attend a Title IV

   E information meeting held in late spring, after students are admitted and prior to fall enrollment.
- A written application is required, including information regarding past work experiences in public child welfare, and other experience related to work with at-risk children.



- Applicants are required to answer a series of questions in writing, along with an in-person interview. These questions relate to the student's thoughtful planning regarding their graduate studies, and their commitment to and understanding of public child welfare.
- Applicants must have a letter of support from the director (or designee) of their county's child welfare services.
- Recipients are selected by the Title IV-E Awards Committee. Students are notified of their status in the summer.