



## Title IV-E Child Welfare Program

### **2025 - MSW Application**

### **Thank you for your interest in the Title IV-E Child Welfare Education MSW Program.**

Application Instructions (please read carefully): The application needs to be completed and submitted at one time. It cannot be saved to return to later. You may print out a blank application to assist you with preparing and gathering documents that will need to be uploaded, prior to beginning the application process.

1. Complete all sections. Dates require MM/DD/YYYY format. Phone numbers require US phone number.

**a. If a section does not apply to you type N/A in the box**

**i. If the question that does not apply to you is a phone number or date, use your phone number, or use today's date respectively.**

2. There are multiple sections that require applicant to upload documents. Upload the documents for each section, as you are completing the application.

3. To avoid complications and/or incomplete duplicates, submit the application only once.

4. For questions or assistance you may email Vincent Latham [vincentL@mail.fresnostate.edu](mailto:vincentL@mail.fresnostate.edu), Pearl Fraijo [pfann49@mail.fresnostate.edu](mailto:pfann49@mail.fresnostate.edu), or Cheryl Whittle at [cherylw@mail.fresnostate.edu](mailto:cherylw@mail.fresnostate.edu).

**Applications are due by March 21, 2025 11:59 pm.**

Checklist - Please use this checklist to ensure you have completed all requirements.

	For Your Personal Use Check When Complete
Completed Title IV-E MSW Application	<input type="radio"/>
Resume (Attachment)	<input type="radio"/>
Personal Statement (Attachment)	<input type="radio"/>

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Check When Complete

Letter of Reference (Attachment)

## Personal Information

Last Name

First Name

Middle Initial

Suffix

Gender

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)

Ethnicity

Do you identify as Native American? If so, with which tribe(s) do you identify citizenship or descendance?

Student ID Number

Expected Graduation Date  
(mm/dd/yyyy)

Are you a Title IV-E BASW Grad (Yes or No)

If yes, what school?

Date of Title IV-E BASW Graduation  
(mm/dd/yyyy)

Have you completed your payback?  
(Yes or No)

Are you a current County Employee?

\*Admittance into the Part Time program is limited to current employees of CWS, DSS, CDSS, or Tribal agencies

\*Note - If you are employed by a county, you will only be able to apply for the Part-Time Program

Yes

No

County Employee

Are you applying to the MSW program as a full-time or part-time student?

Full-Time Student

Part-Time Student

### Contact Information -

Street Address Line 1

Street Address Line 2

City

State

Zipcode

County of Residence

How long?  
(Years/Months)

CA Resident

Mailing Address (If  
Different)

City

State

Zipcode

Mobile Phone

Email

Home Phone

Work Phone

## Emergency Contacts -

	Click to write Column 1 Contact 1	Click to write Column 2 Contact 2
Name		
Relationship		
Street		
City, State, Zip		
Phones		
Email		



Languages (Other than English, include Sign Language)

	Click to write Column 2	Click to write Column 1	
	Language	Spoken	Written
Language 1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Language 2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Language 3	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please complete the following five sections as they apply to you. Resumes will **not** be accepted in lieu of completing these sections, but **are still required and are to be submitted with this application.**

You may use the file upload below to add additional pages as needed in the form of a word document or pdf.

### County Employment Information (Required for part-time applicants only)

County and Agency Name



Agency Address

Job Title

Agency Director

Task Area/Current Unit

Immediate Supervisor

Supervisor's Phone  
Number

Length of Employment  
(Years/Months)

Are you currently seeking  
educational leave or letter  
of support from county  
child welfare or other  
social services?

## Internship History

Agency Name

Internship Setting

Job Title

Length of Internship -  
Year(s) and Month(s)

Description of Duties

Number of Hours per  
Week

Dates

## Related Employment History

Employer/Setting

Job Title

Length of employment -  
Year(s) and Month(s)

Description of Duties

## Volunteer History

Agency/Setting

Volunteer for Year(s) and Month(s)

Description of Duties

## Education

Undergrad Degree (BA/BS) and Major

Institution

Graduation Date

University attended for graduate school

Please attach your current Resume

I understand that this award requires that I complete all of the following requirements -

Please type your initials indicating that you read, understand, and agree to the following requirement for the Title IV-E support:

Completion of a personal statement addressing your interest in child welfare

Please type your initials indicating that you **read, understand, and agree** to the following requirement for

the Title IV-E support:

Maintain "good standing" during full-time and/or part-time enrollment in the MSW Program and complete the MSW curriculum. "Good Standing" is defined as having a GPA of 3.00 or above.

Please type your initials indicating that you **read, understand, and agree** to the following requirement for the Title IV-E support:

Successfully complete and receive a grade of CREDIT in two years of field internship placement

Please type your initials indicating that you **read, understand, and agree** to the following requirement for the Title IV-E support:

Complete required Specialized Child Welfare Curriculum including the following:

CW Track 1 and CW Track 2 Courses

Attend all Title IV-E Integrative Seminars, Symposium, and other trainings

SW 298 or 299 – Master's Thesis or Project with a focus on child welfare practice population, service delivery system, and issue or topic area

Please type your initials indicating that you **read, understand, and agree** to the following requirement for the Title IV-E support:

I understand that I am obligated to pay back this stipend/award support through two years of employment after graduation in a public/Tribal child welfare or CDSS agency. If I am a county employee, I understand that I must return to my supporting agency -

Pre-Admission Disclosure: Admission into the program does not guarantee that students will complete the employment obligation. Requirements are set by agencies

that are not controlled by or affiliated with the CSU. For example, requirements can include evidence of the right to work in the United States (e.g. social security number or tax payer identification number) or successfully passing a criminal background check. Students are responsible for determining whether they can meet the requirements. The CSU will not refund tuition, fees, or any associated costs, to students who determine subsequent to admission that they cannot meet the requirements.

Student Name

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

I hereby affirm that all the information I have provided in this Title IV-E MSW Child Welfare Program Application is true and correct.

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## **Title IV-E MSW Standard Application Personal Statement Addressing Child Welfare Interest**

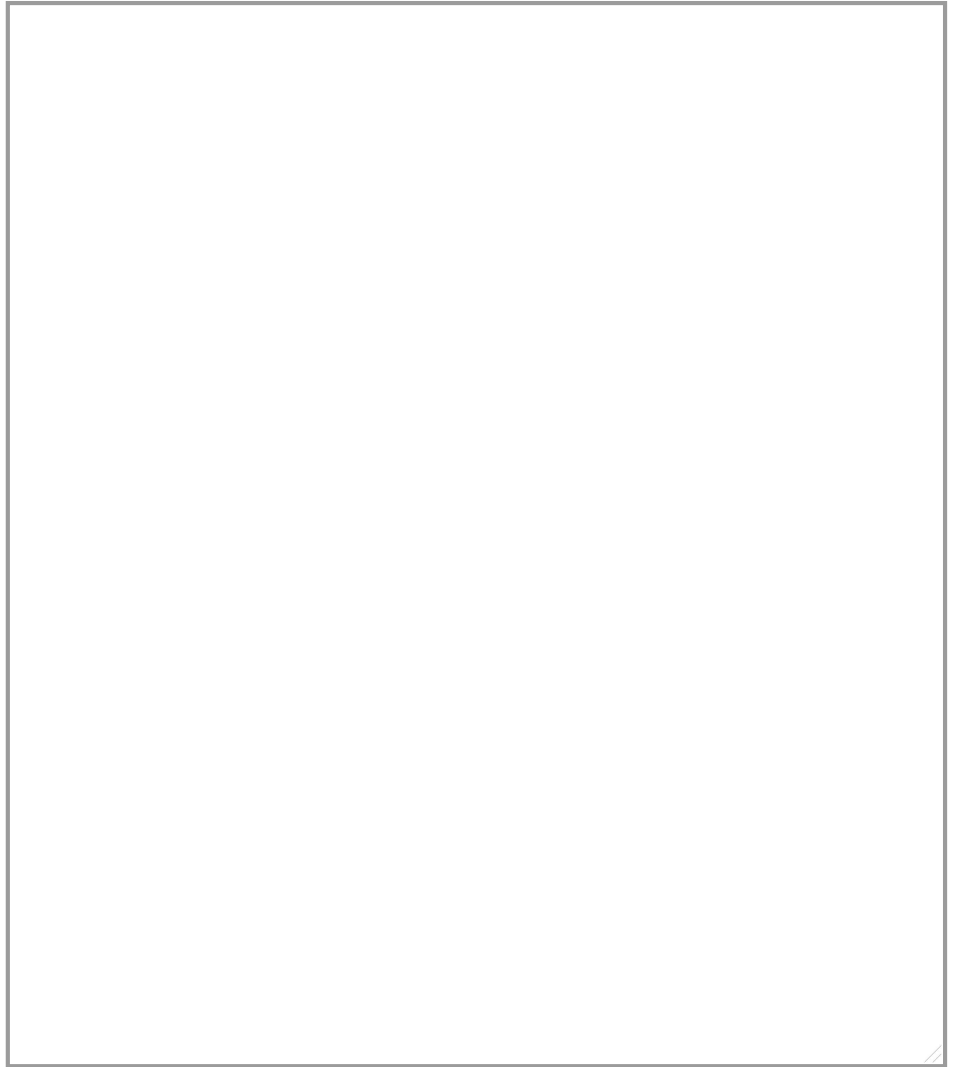
### **Directions:**

**EITHER** in the boxes below **OR** on a separate document, please respond to the following set of questions. **You do not need to attach a document if you answer the questions in the provided boxes. These 6 questions are the personal statement.**

If you choose to attach a document for the personal statement in lieu of using the boxes below - make sure that you respond to each of the 6 questions and include your name in a header on each page. Please organize your responses and present your work in a brief and concise manner. Your entire response must be no longer than 5 double-spaced typed pages.



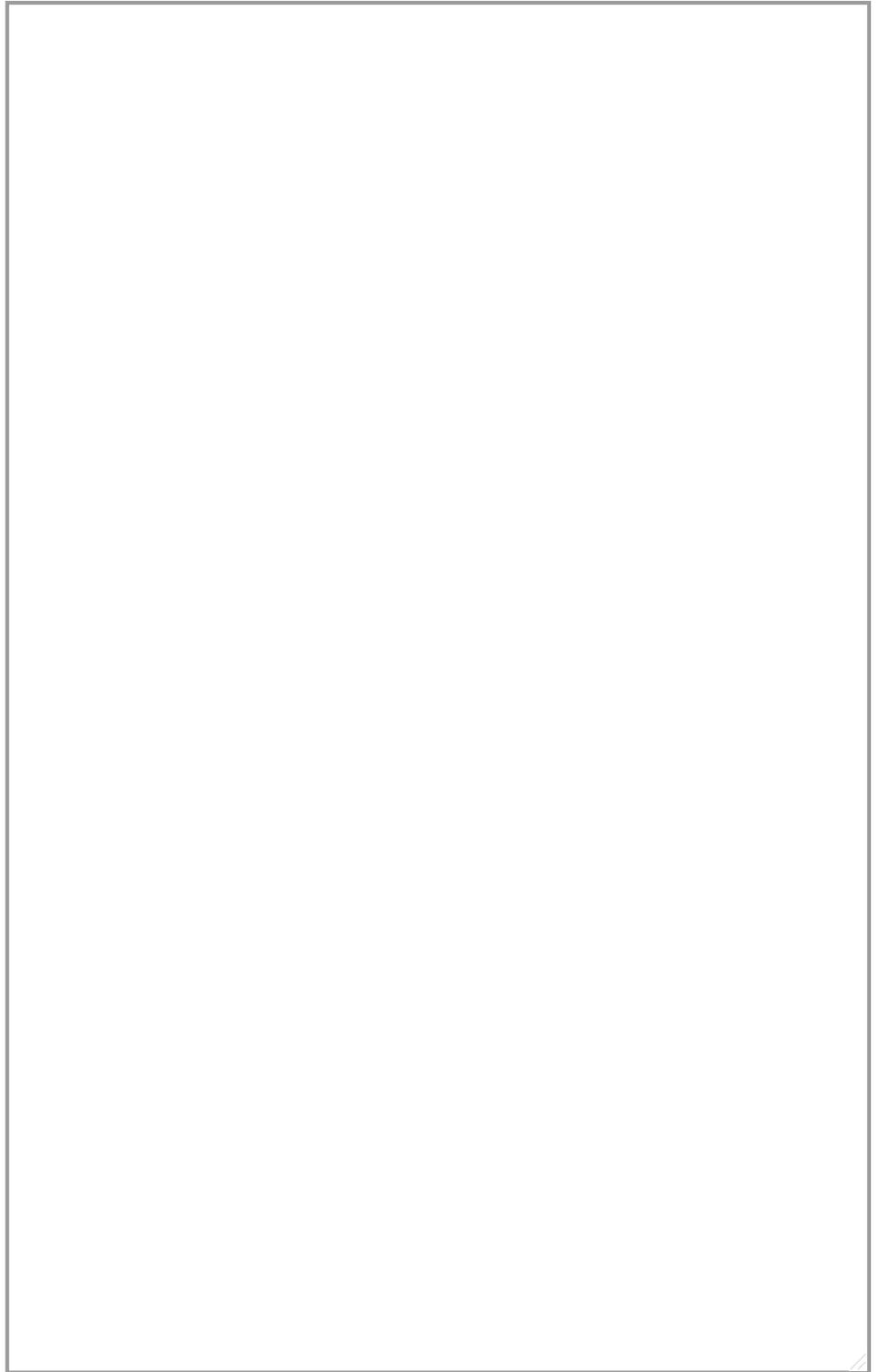
1. Explain your understanding of the mission of public child welfare services. In your response, also identify and discuss three current and critical child welfare issues.



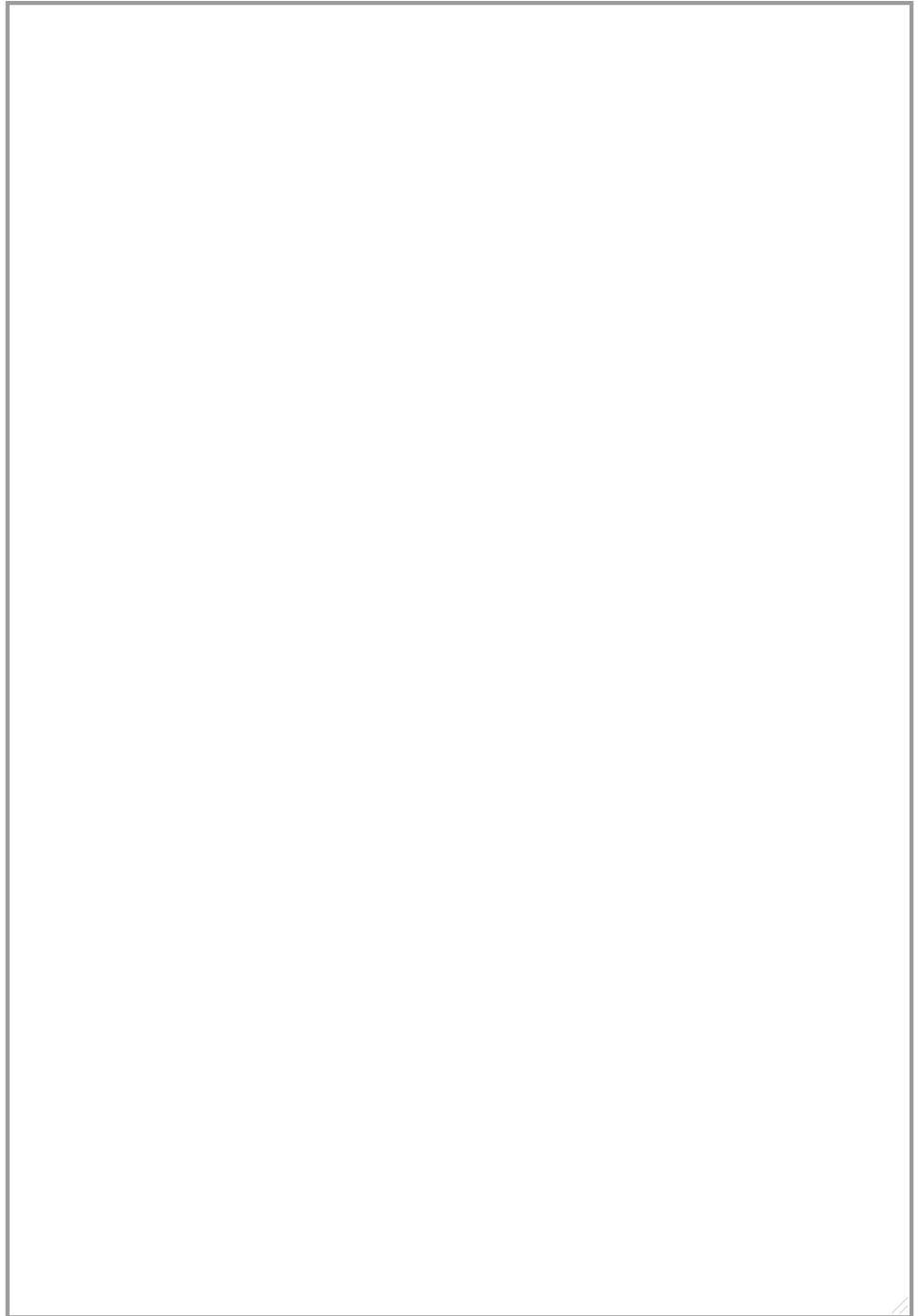
2. Discuss how your experiences, both personal and professional, have prepared you for work in public child welfare.

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3. Cite examples of your experiences working with culturally diverse populations and indicate areas in which you would like to develop further expertise.

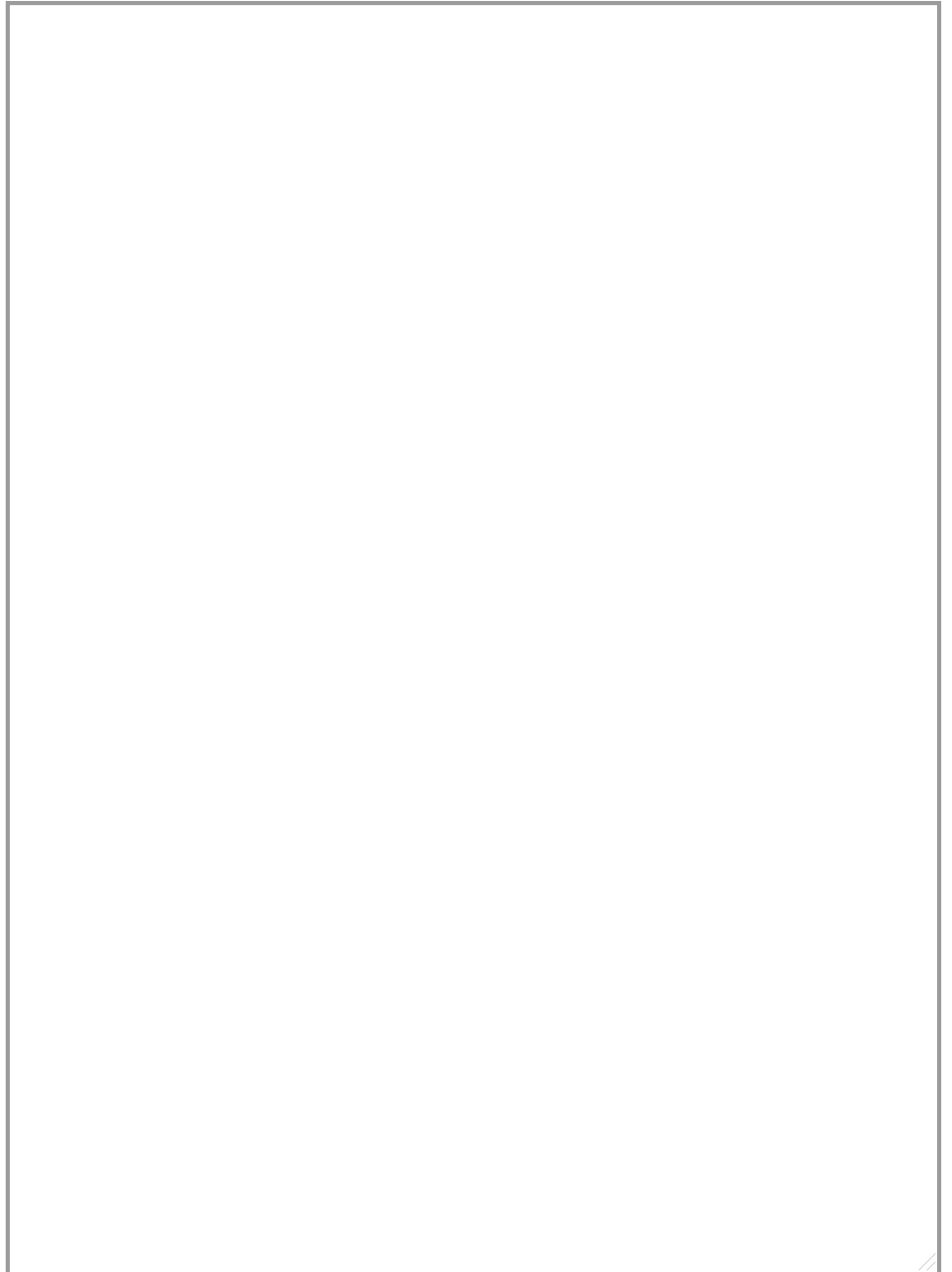
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4. Mental health, substance abuse, and intimate partner violence all have an impact on children and families. Choose one of these areas and discuss either your personal or professional experience in that area.

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5. In child welfare, you may have high caseloads involving families that are experiencing or have experienced very stressful circumstances (i.e., child abuse, severe neglect or, family violence). What will you do to take care of yourself?

6. What are your short term and long term employment goals after graduation?



Upload Personal Statement Doc - **Optional to upload a document answering the 6 questions instead of utilizing the boxes above.**

**You do not need to attach a document if you**

**answered the questions in the provided boxes above.  
The 6 questions above are the personal statement.**

## **Upload Letter of Reference**

**For Non-County Employees: One letter of “Reference/Support Forms” is required.** This form may be completed by a professor, an advisor or work supervisor. Reference Letter will be submitted online. Ask your reference to provide a letter in PDF Format to you to be include with your application. No personal references are permitted.

**For County Employees: One reference letter is required from your County Supervisor or Program Manager and needs to be attached to this application. A Letter of Support from your County Director will also be required after acceptance to the program** to indicate approval of your participation within the Title IV-E MSW Child Welfare Program. **No personal references are permitted.**

Ask your references to provide a letter in a PDF Format to you to include with your application. All application documents will be submitted online.

Thank you for your interest in California State University, Fresno's Title IV-E Master of Social Work Child Welfare Program.

If you have any questions, please call (559) 278-3076

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