



## SPRING 2025 FINANCIAL SOCIAL WORK OFFERINGS

### **Financial Social Work (FSW) Certificate Program**

**March 2025 - October 2025, *VIRTUAL***

UMSSW's Financial Social Work Initiative (FSWI) is offering the next online Financial Social Work (FSW) Certificate Program through UMSSW's Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Office in March 2025! It will meet an identified need for greater financial capability and empowerment knowledge on the part of social workers who practice in non-profit and other social service agencies, schools, medical settings, justice and court settings, and beyond.

The FSW Certificate Program will run over 16 half-day sessions from March 2025 to October 2025. The online formatting design of the FSW Certificate Program will enable rich class discussion and learning through interaction among the macro and clinical practitioners from across the nation. Besides key educators, the program will feature guest speakers from this important practice area. In addition, **three hours of social work ethics content will be included and will go towards satisfying requirements for social work ethics CEUs.**

Additionally, this version of the FSW Certificate Program will feature ***content on student loan debt coaching*** to become familiar with the complex and ever-changing student loan repayment and forgiveness issues and landscape. This content adds an important training module to the FSW Certificate Program curriculum and provides intensive training on all aspects of student loan debt, including how to work with students and graduates on strategies to budget and plan for loan repayment, access consolidation and forgiveness programs, and prevent loan defaults. FSW Certificate Program graduates, Financial Aid professionals, and AFC-accredited professionals will be able to register separately for this 2-part session by itself in May if desired.

Each session will occur sequentially in half-day segments **1:00-4:30pm EST**. The dates are:

- March 6 and 7, 2025
- April 3 and 4, 2025
- May 1 and 2, 2025 (dates for student loan coaching content)
- June 5 and 6, 2025
- July 10 and 11, 2025
- August 7 and 8, 2025
- September 4 and 5, 2025
- October 2 and 3, 2025

**Total Social Work CEUs:** 48 for complete Certificate Program (including 3 for ethics).  
6 for May student loan coaching classes only.

**Applications are being accepted now until February 14, 2025. You will be notified of acceptance by February 21, 2025.**

**To apply:** Click here for a link to the application:

<https://www.ssw.umaryland.edu/cpe/certificate-programs/financial-social-work-certificate-program/>

**Cost: \$1,400.00 for the complete FSW Certificate Program**

**\$130.00 for the Student Loan Coaching 2 Half-Day Classes Only\***

\*This option is only available to participants who have completed the FSW Certificate Program in the past, Financial Aid professionals, or AFC-accredited professionals. Register below.

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### **Utilizing Student Loan Coaching to Help Clients Reduce Financial Burdens**

**May 1 and 2, 2025, 1:00-4:30pm EST, *VIRTUAL***

Instructor: Tisa Silver Canady, EdD, MBA

\$130.00, CEUs: 6

Student loans are one of the largest lifetime debts incurred by individuals and families, thus making loan repayment a central factor in household financial well-being. This virtual 2-part course provides intensive training on all aspects of student loan debt, including how to work with students and graduates on strategies to budget and plan for loan repayment, access loan consolidation and forgiveness programs, and prevent student loan defaults. Participants will become familiar with the complex and ever-changing student loan repayment and forgiveness issues and landscape and will learn how to incorporate financial coaching techniques and student loan resources into their practice specifically to address student debt burdens with clients.

**To register:** <http://umbsswcpe.ce21.com/item/s25studentloans>

For questions related to the FSW Certificate Program content and/or the Financial Social Work Initiative (FSWI), contact Seante Hatcher at [fsw@ssw.umaryland.edu](mailto:fsw@ssw.umaryland.edu) or 410-706-7655.

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