

APPLICATION DEADLINE : March 15th

Name : _____ **Social Security Number :** _____
Last, First, M.I.

Driver's License (Include State) : _____

Phone Number : _____ **Address (where you can receive mail)**
Cell Phone : _____ Street _____
Preferred E-mail : _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Other E-mail : _____ **Are you currently employed with DCP&P? Check one:** Yes ___ No ___
School ID Number : _____ If yes, please explain: _____

Anticipated Financial Aid (Grants and Scholarships) for next Academic Year : _____

Anticipated Graduation date from college/university (month and year) : _____

Do you have oral and/or written proficiency in a foreign language? Please specify. _____

Have you taken your school's Social Work course on Child Welfare? When? _____

In order of preference (1 = most preferred) please identify three counties in which you would like to complete the BCWEP internship:

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Personal Statement - Your answers to these questions must be typed (double-spaced) and attached to this application.

An important part of this application is a personal statement from you that tells us about your progress as a social work student, your interest in child welfare, and your plans for future professional development. Your statement should be no longer than five pages and consist of essay responses to the following four questions:

1. Please explain why you would like to be a social worker in the field of child welfare.
Include any significant educational or professional experience(s) that may have influenced your decision.
2. What professional qualities and skills do you currently possess that will aid you in becoming an effective social worker in child welfare?
What are some potential challenges you may face in becoming an effective social worker in child welfare?
3. Please state your understanding of the importance of diversity and difference in shaping life experiences.
Why is this especially important to understand when working with the children and families of New Jersey?
4. What do you know about the efforts underway in New Jersey to transform child welfare services for vulnerable children and their families?
How might you contribute toward these efforts as part of BCWEP?

In completing this application, I affirm that the information provided herein is complete, true, and correct, and that I am not in default in payment of any federal educational loan. In addition, I understand that, if offered funding for study, I will be required to sign a legally binding contract committing myself, among other things, to complete my social work degree program expeditiously and, to accept and maintain employment in the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P) for two calendar years following graduation. I understand that my application and supporting materials, including my academic transcript may be reviewed by the BCWEP selection committee of my social work program, and that committee may also include a professional staff member from DCP&P. I also understand that acceptance into BCWEP is contingent upon approval for an internship by DCP&P, which requires a background check, fingerprinting, and clearance.

Return this application WITH A CURRENT RESUME by March 15th to:

Megan Callahan Sherman, PhD, MSW, LCSW
 Assistant Professor and BSW Program Director
 Georgian Court University
 900 Lakewood Ave.
 Lakewood, NJ 08701

 Signature of Applicant Date