

2020 National Title IV-E Roundtable @ WKU Improving Child Welfare in Diverse Rural Communities

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Improving Child Welfare in Diverse Rural Communities



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Call for Proposals

- January 18th Deadline
- February 15th Notification of Acceptance

Cost - Registration is open now!!!

- \$200 Early Bird until March 1st
- \$225 until May 1st Deadline

Logistics and Transportation

- How do we get to Bowling Green?
 - Fly to Nashville!
 - Nashville International Airport (BNA) is convenient and quick, approximately 70 miles from Bowling Green when traveling directly north on I-65.
 - <u>Drive</u> Kentucky is within a day's drive of over 65 percent of nation's population.
- Where do we stay?
 - Group hotel rates will soon be available on the conference website!





Welcome to Western Kentucky University!





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Dr. Dean May



Social Work Education and Child Welfare at WKU



A Brief Overview



WKU Social Work and Child Welfare - 1995 to 2003

1995	1996-97	1997	2000	2003	2005	2006
SWRK 436: Introduction to Child Welfare Services	the WKU TRC to the BSW Program	Creation of the PCWCP & Brief Review Emerging relationship with the Kentucky CHFS	Reaffirmation of the BSW Program sets stage for MSW Program Grant provides funding for a faculty position	First MSW Class admitted Department of Social Work created	W Depar	MSW accredited by the Council on Social Work Education KU tment of Mal Work

Impact of MSW Education on Research





Credit for Learning Overview

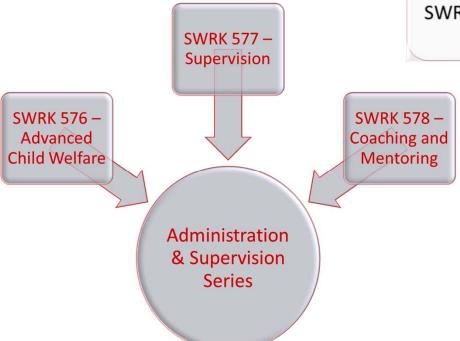
SWRK 571 – Introduction to Child Welfare Services

SWRK 579 – Collaborative Assessment and Documentation

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SWRK 574 - Case Management

SWRK 573 – Assessment and Case Management of Child Sexual Abuse





Accreditation Reaffirmed and Future Focus – 2010 to 2019





Center for Child Welfare Education & Research (CCWEAR) in 2019





Center includes. . .

Dr. Austin Griffiths (Assistant Professor) – Director

Dr. Dean May (Professor) – Senior Associate

Dr. Trish Desrosiers (Associate Professor & Department Head) – Associate

Dr. Dana Sullivan (Professor) – Associate

Dr. April Murphy (Assistant Professor) – Associate

Ms. Allison Gibson (CFL Instructor).

Ms. Monica Hines (TRC Director)

Ms. Julie Jones (Child Welfare Coordinator)

Ms. Janie Perdue (Training Coordinator)

Ms. Marsha Hopper (CFL Office Associate)

Overview and Summary



TRC/MSW Support Grant is funded via Title IV-E fund (with a state match). Since the late 1990s, this grant has generated over \$4.5 million in grant revenues for WKU.

CFL Program has generated approximately \$8 million in graduate tuition for WKU utilizing Title IV-E funding.

Approximately 250 BSW students have graduated with their degree and with certification from the PCWCP.

CCWEAR – will create the milieu and synergy for new benchmarks for the integration of child welfare education and research.

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Dr. Patricia Desrosiers





- Since 1974, Accredited 1978, Reaffirmed 2018
- Currently >300 SWRK majors/minors
- BSW @ Bowling Green, Elizabethtown, Owensboro



Mission

- Prepare culturally competent professionals who practice with diverse communities and client systems.
- Promote a commitment to professional ethics, leadership, professionalism, social justice and life long learning in order for graduates to practice successfully in a global community.

Our BSW Graduates

- Improve the quality of life for our regional communities
- 40% employed with the Department for Community-Based Services or other public agency
- 40% employed by private human service agencies
- 40-60% go on to earn an MSW

BSW Research & Advocacy







- Since 2003, Reaffirmation 2018
- Currently > 100 SWRK MSW students
- MSW in hybrid and online options



Mission

- Educates and prepares students for professional social work practice to meet the needs of increasingly diverse rural populations.
- Addresses the work force needs of agencies working with Kentucky's families and communities.
- Emphasizes professional and scholarly service to the community, the state, and the nation.

Our MSW Graduates

Improve the quality of life for our regional communities by:

- 90% employed within the field of social work
- 83% employed in rural practice settings
- 73% employed in rural Kentucky practice settings
- 52 alumni serve as volunteer field instructors

MSW Service





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Ms. Monica Hines





















WKU WORK Training Resource Center (TRC)

The Training Resource Center is a customer-focused, university-based service organization that works through partnerships to strengthen the skills of human service and training professionals.

What is the TRC?

- Professional development program
- Partnership with the Department for Community Based Services (DCBS)
- Provides trainings to enhance job performance and improve service delivery.

How is TRC funded?

- Kentucky CHFS' DCBS
- Federal Title IV-E funds (Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980).

WKU's TRC classrooms

- Two dedicated classrooms on WKU's South Campus
- "Smart" classrooms with up-to-date technology
- Off-campus conference rooms

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Ms. Julie Jones



Welcome to Bowling Green!





Fun Facts about Bowling Green, KY



- 3rd largest city in Kentucky
- The home of the Corvette!
- The plant started production in 1981 and is the size of 200 football fields
- 9,686 Corvettes were built in Bowling Green last year!

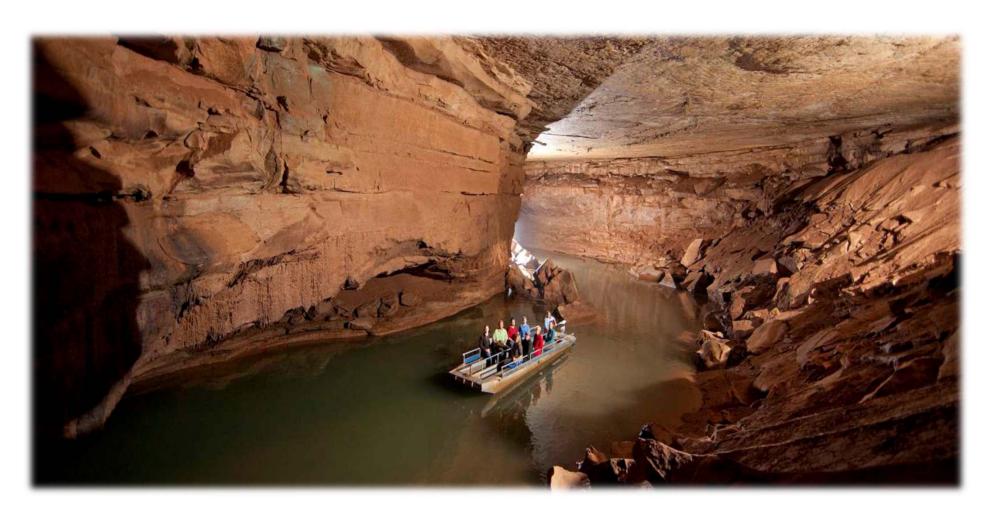
And the Corvette Museum....



And sink holes.....



And caves....



And horses....



And bourbon....



....see y'all in KENTUCKY!!!

