**CWPEP Information**

**OU Stipend Amounts**

* BSW - $10,591/academic year (30 hours) – payment is made directly to the University Bursar’s account
* MSW full-time - $12,551/academic year (30 hours) – payment is made directly to the University's Bursar account
* MSW Advanced Standing $13,806/ 33 hour program - payment is made directly to the University's Bursar account
* MSW part-time, DHS employees & tribal employees, payment of in-state tuition, fees & books is paid directly to the University of Oklahoma bursar’s account.
* Note: this is not a financial aid program

**Employment Obligation**

* For each academic year of assistance the student will work 12 months (BSW) or 15 months (MSW) for OKDHS or a tribe in a Child Welfare position. Failure to complete the educational program or the employment obligation requires repayment of all funds within 12 months.
* DHS salaries & benefits Note: MSW’s start out as CWS II, BSW’s as CWS I
* DHS Drug Testing Policy
* DHS National Criminal History Records Check Policy

**Eligibility Requirements**

* Must complete CWPEP application and provide all supporting documents
* Must have been admitted to the Anne & Henry Zarrow School of Social Work BSW or MSW program on either the Norman or Tulsa campus
* Demonstrate an interest in a career in public child welfare through application, interviews, written essay and references.
* Attend a Child Welfare Orientation presented by DHS
* Sign a legally binding contract obligating the student to work for DHS/Tribe upon graduation
* Oklahoma Residents – provide a background check from the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, including Oklahoma Sex Offender Registry, Mary Rippy Violent Offender Registry, and a driving records check obtained through a local tag agency
* Out-of-state students – provide criminal background and driving records checks from current state of residents
* Must be a citizen or Legal Permanent Resident of the United States