

Rural and Tribal Behavioral Health Fellowship (RTBH)

The Rural and Tribal Behavioral Health MSW Fellowship (RTBH)

is committed to transforming behavioral health ecosystems to address structural inequalities, respond to intersections between culture, trauma, and colonization, and expansively represent equity, diversity, inclusion, and belonging in services, supervision, and the workforce.

The RTBH Fellowship strengthens California's behavioral health workforce by identifying Social Work graduate students with a strong interest in working for behavioral health organizations in underserved rural and Tribal communities and provides Supported Basic Income during their professional graduate studies. MSW program applicants from underserved and culturally diverse populations, including individuals with lived experience as consumers of behavioral health services and/or family members of consumers, are particularly encouraged to apply for a Rural and Tribal Behavioral Health MSW Fellowship.



Students:

- \$45,000 per year in tuition/fees, fellowship salary, and stipends for selected campus-based two-year MSW students in Classes of '26 and '27 who commit to providing services in publicly funded behavioral health settings after graduation
- Specialized training
- Individualized academic, professional, and career mentoring
- Placement in a community-based behavioral health setting



A subset of awards are designated for Rural and Tribal School-Based Behavioral Health Fellowships which additionally provide for placement in a school-based setting and preparation to complete Cal Poly Humboldt's post-graduate Pupil Personnel Services-School Social Work Credential program in exchange for a commitment to providing services in a publicly-funded school setting after graduation

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