

WELCOME



COUNCIL ON SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING
APRIL 22, 2026, | 1 P.M. ET

*Enhancing connections and
benefits for all members*



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MEETING AGENDA

- Welcome & Introductions
- Membership Program Overview
- Accessing – Online Resources
- Advocacy & Policy– Update
- Open Forum/Q&A Session
- Upcoming Events/Initiatives



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OUR CORE PURPOSE

To ensure a well-educated social work profession equipped to advocate for and promote education, health, well-being, universal rights, and justice in a diverse world.

OUR MISSION

To advance excellence and innovation in social work education, by providing leadership and scholarship, to ensure quality in teaching and learning, supporting critical thinking, empathy, and advocacy to strengthen the capacity of our membership.



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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) acknowledges that its office is located on ancestral lands of Indigenous Peoples throughout the continental United States, Alaska, Hawaii, and territories. This is true of the cities where CSWE events occur and the areas where council staff and volunteers reside.

Indigenous Peoples had and continue to have extended networks of relatives that include human and nonhuman life as well as the seen and the unseen across diverse geopolitical and ecological spaces. Sacred ties to the land and water distinguish Indigenous Peoples from all other people or cultures.

Despite the genocide, relocation, and removal of millions of Indigenous Peoples from those areas, ties to these networks and lands have persevered through centuries of oppression, colonization, appropriation, and other efforts to erase these cultures.

CSWE's office is in Alexandria, Virginia, and we [honor the 11 state-recognized ancestral tribes\(Opens in a new window\)](#). Our organization is committed to achieving social justice and equity for Indigenous Peoples in ways that respect their ancient cultures and sovereign rights and that address a legacy of colonization and oppression. Social work education strives to prepare tomorrow's practitioners to effect social change for all people.

With humility, we recognize and respect all Indigenous Peoples and their ties to the land.



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MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM OVERVIEW



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MEMBERSHIP TYPES

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Institutional membership (accredited programs)

- *Includes current, emeritus, faculty, students, administrators, and staff of the specific program*
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MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS & ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Professional Participation

- Discounted member rate to attend, exhibit, submit proposals, or sponsor CSWE's [Annual Conference](#)
- Inclusion in and access to the [CSWE Program Member Directory](#) and the [CSWE Individual Member Directory](#)
- Opportunities to volunteer for service as an [accreditation site visitor](#), or an [Annual Conference abstract reviewer](#)
- And much more....

Professional Identity & Advocacy

- Strengthening the voice of social work education through our [advocacy and policy](#) work
- Contribute to the advancement of the profession through [CSWE's Public Policy Initiative](#)



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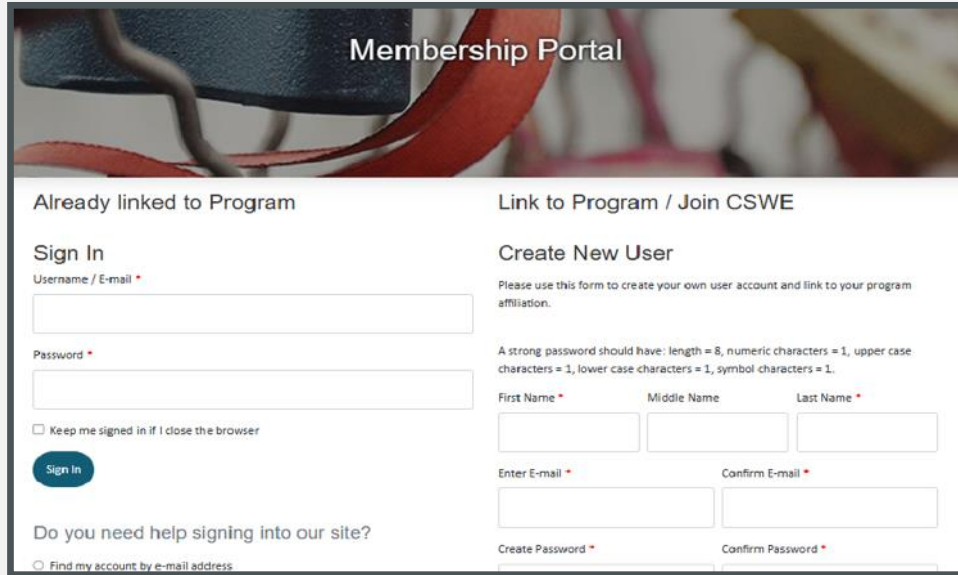
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YOUR LAUNCHING PAD CSWE MEMBER LOGIN PORTAL





Membership Portal

Already linked to Program

Sign In

Username / E-mail *

Password *

☐ Keep me signed in if I close the browser

Sign In

Do you need help signing into our site?

☐ Find my account by e-mail address

Link to Program / Join CSWE

Create New User

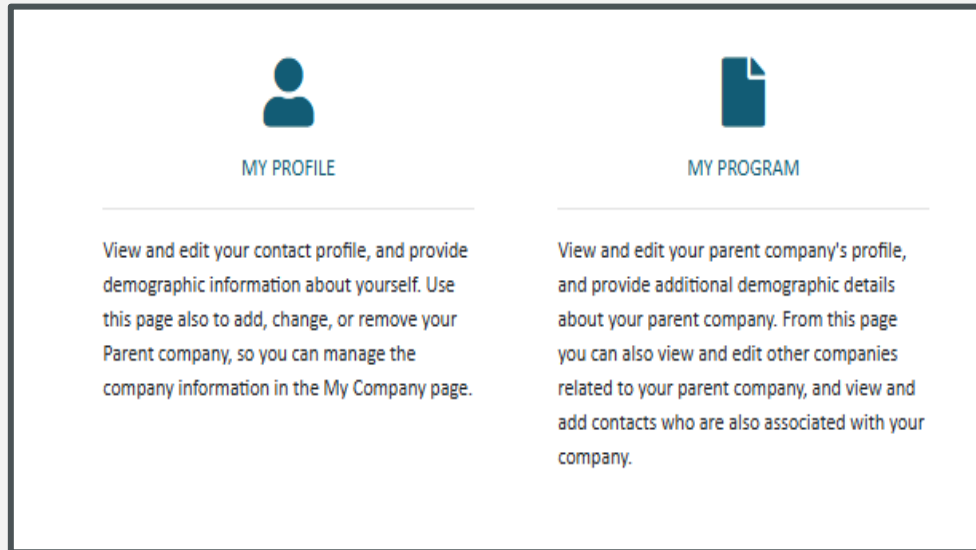
Please use this form to create your own user account and link to your program affiliation.

A strong password should have: length = 8, numeric characters = 1, upper case characters = 1, lower case characters = 1, symbol characters = 1.

First Name * Middle Name Last Name *

Enter E-mail * Confirm E-mail *

Create Password * Confirm Password *



MY PROFILE

View and edit your contact profile, and provide demographic information about yourself. Use this page also to add, change, or remove your Parent company, so you can manage the company information in the My Company page.

MY PROGRAM

View and edit your parent company's profile, and provide additional demographic details about your parent company. From this page you can also view and edit other companies related to your parent company, and view and add contacts who are also associated with your company.

HOW TO ACCESS YOUR CSWE ACCOUNT

- ☐ Navigate to the CSWE membership webpage and access the member login section: <https://membership.cswe.org/My-Account/My-Membership>
- ☐ Under the **Sign In** section, enter your username and password
- ☐ **Username** is your current email address you entered when you created your account
- ☐ **Password** – if you have any issues with your password, click on “**I forgot my Password**” to reset your password – *there is no set format for passwords (i.e.: upper lower-case letters, numbers, etc.)*
- ☐ Once you log into your account. Click on **My Account** tab to access your profile information under **My Profile**.
- ☐ **My Profile** – you can view and edit your contact information, program information and provide demographic information. You can also edit and change your program information for those linked to a program
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CSWE ADVOCACY & POLICY



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CSWE Government Relations Update

April 22, 2026

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CSWE Government Relations Team

- CSWE's federal government relations efforts are led by Lewis-Burke Associates LLC (Lewis-Burke). The government relations team collaborates with CSWE leadership and membership to develop an advocacy and policy agenda that advances the mission of social work education.
- Advocacy efforts are focused on higher education, workforce development and training, social work research, and social and economic justice.



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Legislative and Executive Branch Outlook



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FY 2026 Funding

11 of the 12 FY 2026

Appropriations Bills Finalized

- Most bills signed into law in January 2026 after 43 shutdown in fall 2025
- Most research and education programs protected and close to flat across agencies with some exceptions
- Congress also included provisions blocking 15% F&A rates for NIH, NSF, NASA, DOE, and DOD
- Congress pushing more guardrails on Administration's spending and agency reductions
- With the midterm elections in November, it is likely that the FY 2027 appropriations process will not be fully completed until next year

Agency/ Program	FY 2026 Enacted
NIH (billion)	\$47.1
BHWET (million)	\$114
MFP (million)	\$19.51
Pell (thousand)	\$7.395
SDS (million)	\$55

Trump Administration: What to Expect

Big things in year 1	What to expect in year 2
- Cancelled grants / awards - Changes to funding models – more forward funding = fewer new awards in 2025 and 2026 - Reduced staff and expertise at federal science agencies - Disruption and uncertainty	- More of the same (e.g., downward pressure on budgets); - New initiatives and advisory capabilities in response to specific threat or opportunity spaces - Agency leadership beginning to put their imprints on agenda - Congress in an election year focused on impacts/messaging for states/districts - Expect the unexpected!

President's FY 2027 Budget Request (PBR)

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President's FY27 Budget Request (PBR)

- On **Friday, April 3**, the Trump Administration released the fiscal year (FY) 2027 President's budget request to Congress
- The PBR highlights the Administration's major political priorities and new funding initiatives
- It is ultimately up to Congress to decide which proposals to embrace, modify, or reject as part of the annual appropriations process
- The FY 2027 budget request is similar in many ways to the Trump Administration's FY 2026 budget request which proposed cuts across the federal government
 - **Pell Grant (maximum award):** \$7,395 for 2027-2028
 - **Federal Work Study (FWS):** \$123 million
 - **SAMHSA:** \$6.8 billion
 - Eliminate **Minority Fellowship Program (MFP), Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students** and various **geriatric workforce programs**
 - **BHWET:** \$129.3 million

Agency/ Program	FY 2026 Enacted	FY 2027 Budget Request
NIH (billion)	\$47.1	\$41.5
BHWET (million)	\$114	\$89.3
MFP (million)	\$19.51	\$0
Pell (thousand)	\$7.395	\$7.395
SDS (million)	\$55	\$0

Agency Snapshots



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ED Negotiated Rulemaking Update



Negotiated Rulemaking is the process in which ED negotiates proposed administrative rules.

RISE Committee	AHEAD Committee	AIM Committee
• Grad PLUS loans eliminated; new annual caps: \$20,500 (grad), \$50,000 (professional) • Aggregate caps: \$100K (grad), \$200K (professional), \$257,500 lifetime (all Title IV) • Parent PLUS capped at \$20K/yr (\$65K aggregate) • Eliminates ICR, PAYE, SAVE; introduces Repayment Assistance Plan (RAP) • Creates new definition of what is considered a professional vs. graduate degree <i>Pending Final Rules</i>	• Replaces Debt-to-Earnings with earnings premium test (STATS) • Institutions must report program-level tuition, fees & aid data • Warnings required for programs at risk of losing Direct Loan eligibility • Pell students notified of remaining lifetime eligibility each disbursement • Programs failing earnings test risk loss of Direct Loans and/or Pell <i>Public Comment Deadline May 20, 2026</i>	• Reduce regulatory burden on accreditors; limit anti-competitive behavior • Mandate institutional compliance with federal/state law (free speech, non-discrimination) • Require program-level student outcome data for ROI assessment • Incorporate affordability & credit transferability into accreditor evaluations • Stakeholder concerns: executive overreach, student achievement metrics, ED override authority <i>Session 2: May 18-22, 2026</i>



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QUESTIONS?



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UPCOMING EVENTS & INITIATIVES

Upcoming Events

CSWE's 72nd Annual Conference, Atlanta Marriott Marquis, October 22 – 25, 2026 (**Registration opens May 6, 2026**)

Education Opportunities: Webinars

[Queering the Job Search: Navigating the Academic Job Market in 2026](#), Presented by CSWE's Council on Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity & Expression. **On April 28, 2026, 3:00PM (ET)**

[Expanding the Lens: Social Work Careers in Federal Government](#), Presented by CSWE. **On May 4, 2026, 12:00PM (ET)**

[From Fieldwork to Program Insight: Leveraging Experiential Learning Data in Social Work Education](#), Presented by CSWE's Corporate Partner Lumivero. **On May 7, 2026, 1:00PM (ET)**

CSWE News:

[Minority Fellowship Program MSW Application Cycle Is Open](#)

Applications are due by **May 11, 2026, at 11:59 PM (ET)** Apply today and share with colleagues!

[JSWE Call for Abstracts – Highlighting Innovation & Excellence in Social Work Doctoral Education](#), Abstracts are due by **Wednesday, July 1, 2026, 11:59PM (ET)**. This special issue is scheduled for publication in Summer 2027



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THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY!

Recording and slides will be available to members within 24-48 hours after each live session on the “[Monthly Meeting](#)” tab located within your CSWE member account homepage



RESOURCES YOU CAN USE



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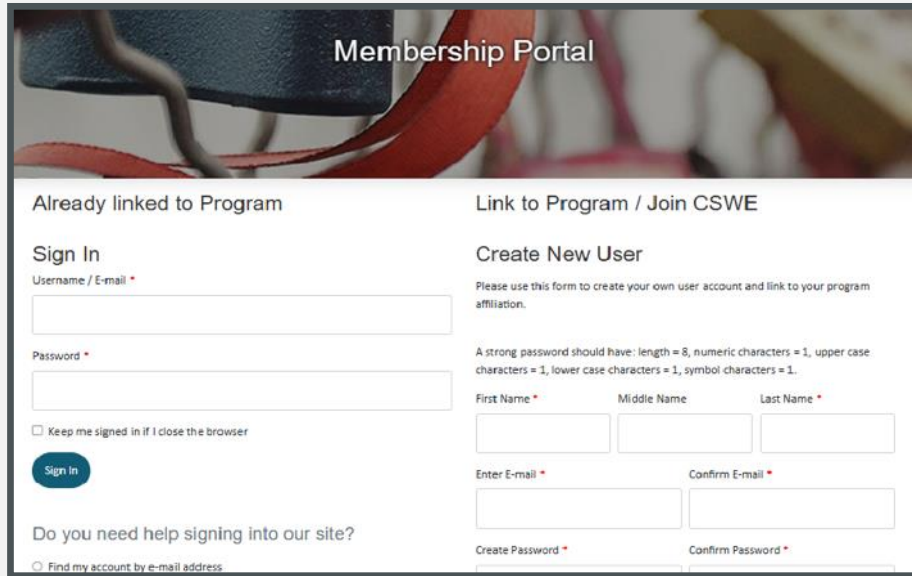
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- ☐ Next click on the “**Join**” link
- ☐ Select the “**Member of an Affiliated Program**”
- ☐ Enter university/college name and select the appropriate program, click “**Save**”
- ☐ Your program will be listed, next click on the “**Next Step**” link
- ☐ Next enter contact information and click on “**Next Step**” link
- ☐ The next two sections will ask you to provide demographic information and volunteer interest areas, please complete and click on “**Next Steps**” link
- ☐ Note: for the payment pages, you should see the membership fee amount at **\$0.00**, due to this is an institutional membership. Your program will be billed for the annual renewal dues.
- ☐ Once completed you can click on the “Return to Profile” link to review the record.

CREATE A CSWE INDIVIDUAL ASSOCIATE ACCOUNT (FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH NO PROGRAM AFFILIATION):

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- ☐ Next click on the “**Join**” link
- ☐ Select the “**Individual Membership (No Program Affiliation)**”
- ☐ On Individual Member page you will see the pricing for an individual member, click on "Next Step"
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- ☐ Next you will view your membership summary information, please click on the “Checkout” link,
- ☐ You will then land on the Shopping Cart pages. The first will show your order summary. You have the option of clicking through the billing information pages then payment information by clicking the “**Next**” link or you can click on the “**Express Checkout**” to go directly to payment options.
- ☐ Once your payment information has been entered and processed, you will see your order confirmation. If paying via credit card or ACH electronic transfer an electronic receipt will be emailed to you.
- ☐ If you opted for **Bill Later**, an invoice will be emailed to you. Please note your account will not be active until payment is received and processed.
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Member Directory

[Click here to modify your search](#)

First Name

Joann

Last Name

BrownThompson

Address 1: State/Province

VA

Search

Clear Filters

Member Directory

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Search

Clear Filters



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CSWE

Membership Coordinator | Staff

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