Have you ever considered earning your PhD in social work?
Are you interested in research that can be used to address social problems or practice issues?
Would you enjoy teaching and mentoring students?

The PhD program is designed to develop scholars who have strong research and analytical skills and are well-versed in the historical, epistemological, and theoretical foundations of social work.

In addition to coursework, the program offers ample opportunities to engage in research with different faculty members and gain critical teaching experience.

Faculty expertise within the School is exceptionally broad and exposes students to an exciting variety of topics and ways to think about, study, and analyze critical social issues. Core areas of focus include:

- Mental health outcomes, services, and accessibility
- Cross-cultural issues and health disparities
- Child maltreatment and child welfare
- Gerontology
- Families
- International social work
- Early childhood education
- Interpersonal violence
- LGBT issues
- Poverty and homelessness
- Rural social work

We are pleased to offer five years of support to qualified incoming students. This support is in the form of a yearly graduate assistantship (GA) that provides a stipend, tuition waiver, and health benefits. During years 1–3, the GA will be a research assistantship; during years 4–5, the GA may also include a teaching assistantship. Additionally, summer support is available.

Students who earn a PhD in social work are prepared to enter leadership positions as:

- Researchers examining social problems and social work intervention approaches
- Social work educators in graduate and undergraduate programs
- Evaluators of social service programs

The application deadline is January 1st.
To learn more, please see our website at http://socialwork.msu.edu/Programs/PhD or contact Dr. Anne Hughes at hughesa@msu.edu.