NEW LEADERS IN AFRICAN-CENTERED SOCIAL WORK SCHOLARS PROGRAM

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

» The University of Michigan School of Social Work is pleased to offer the New Leaders In African-Centered Social Work (NLACSW) Scholars Program for MSW students. The NLACSW Scholars Program enhances practice preparation by engaging students in culturally specific and affirmative curricular and training experiences for service to African Americans.

» The NLACSW program accepts incoming students who are genuinely committed to gaining skills and knowledge for culturally-responsive social work practice in and with African American communities. This program is open to students in all practice methods and areas.

PROGRAM FUNDING

» $5000/semester ($20,000 total award)

APPLICATION DEADLINES

» December 1 [early]
» February 1 [priority]
» March 1

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"I have a wish for Detroit," said Deja Anderson. "My parents have lived in the same house, in the Six Mile and Greenfield area, for 16 years. I’ve seen our neighborhood go from being family-oriented to people struggling to stay in their homes. Resources are needed to provide residents with quality education, adequate living conditions and better job opportunities." Deja’s wish is to be part of the solution.

Deja’s dream is that one day the communities of Detroit will all have the resources they need to advance their lives and the lives of their children, all thanks to a nonprofit founded and run by Deja. She will trace a big part of her success back to the U-M School of Social Work and the New Leaders in African-Centered Social Work Scholars Program. But Deja is more than just interested in Detroit; she is Detroit. "Born and raised in Detroit," she says with a big smile.

"The New Leaders in African-Centered Social Work exposes me to outstanding classes, programs and field opportunities providing me with the knowledge and tools to make a difference in my community."

"My MSW prepares me to be part of the solution."