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I support to grow social workers



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Esteemed Members of this Committee: I am requesting the committee choose to support HB 1533, granting students seeking their Master of Social Work at Missouri Western State University eligibility to sit for the licensure exam while the program is in its precandidacy phase; thus allowing students to move forward in clinical supervision. This action of approval will have a lasting positive impact on our community and the State of Missouri. Significantly, there is a great shortage of social workers in Saint Joseph and throughout the state. Numerous social service agencies are struggling to keep up with the demand for necessary services in order to assure the city is safe, healthy and capable of serving its citizenry. I recognize this is a new program at MWSU, but it shall be noted the esteemed professors who facilitate each course are adept and well qualified in teaching courses which align with the NASW values and ethics, and will certainly educate their students to become quality, competent social workers, well deserving of licensure. Moreover, MWSU has an exceptional Bachelor of Social Work program, which is fully accredited and looked upon as a respected program in which to attain an education. HB 1533 has the capacity to bring about real-world change and foster growth and empowerment in and of our communities. Social workers are essential in ameliorating strife among those disadvantaged and marginalized. In order to enhance our community and our state, it is imperative we increase the number of social workers. Passing HB 1533 into law would accomplish this task and enhance the wellbeing of countless individuals, families, communities, organizations, and institutions. I respectfully implore the members of this fine committee to consider my request in support of HB 1533. Kind regards, Ashley Cook



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**I am in favor of allowing MSWs to license while the university is in pre-candidacy. As a student of MWSU MSW program this will allow me to better serve my community.**



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**I support this bill for reducing barriers for licensure.**



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I am in support of allowing social work students to obtain their master's degree from a social work program in precandidacy for accreditation. If the program is being considered for accreditation, they have already gone through several processes to reach this stage and should be considered fully able to prepare ethical social workers for the field and grant the degree. As a MSW, I understand the importance of training new social workers to continue in the profession at a high level of education as well as be enrolled in programs and complete programs to help with the accreditation process. If students are willing to enroll in these programs and complete them, institutions should grant the degree at the precandidacy stage of accreditation. Thank you for your time and consideration.



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I want to support allowing graduates from a program in candidacy to sit for the exam thus be allowed to move forward in clinical supervision, especially given the current workforce shortage in social services.





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I am the Field Director for the BSW and MSW programs at MWSU. I will be attending with a small group of students to speak in support of this bill.



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I am in favor of growing the field of social work. I propose reducing barriers to prevent MSW's in unaccredited schools from obtaining licenses



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**It is important that graduates have the opportunity to set for the exam and start clinical supervision.**



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As a licensed social worker in Missouri, who believes in pursuing higher education and development, the current ruling does not allow for students who graduate from an upcoming program to sit for their exams for an extended period of time. This, in effect, delays our communities the opportunity to have access to licensed social workers. By allowing the graduates to begin pursuit of their licenses with a degree from a program in candidacy, the timeline of the graduate's license and the university's status move forward together for both to work on development and growth. Since a MSW has to apply to sit at the time of LMSW exam and re-licensure, the PR Board can track that the graduate has a degree from a program in candidacy. It takes two years from LMSW to LCSW, the MO PR board could then verify that the University has now been accredited at the time the graduate sits for the LCSW. Again, changing this costs nothing, and promotes a culture of growth and development. With the passing of the financial support of developing more social workers, this is one of the unexpected rules to be changed with support of these programs.



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**Want to go on record in support**



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I am a licensed clinical social worker in Missouri and Kansas and support this bill. We need more licensed master's level social workers in Missouri, and it is important to reduce barriers to licensure.



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**I support this. We should reduce barriers for social workers to help the community.**





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Friday, January 26, 2024 Dear Social Work Advocates, My name is Grey Endres and I am a licensed clinical social worker in the state of Missouri and the Director of the Masters of Social Work program at Missouri Western State University. The MSW program at MWSU was granted pre-candidacy status by the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE) on June 26, 2023, and we admitted 15 students into the fall 2023 semester (10 advanced standing & 5 traditional.) Presently, 64 students have applied for the summer/fall 2024 semester. This May, 10 advanced standing students will graduate with their MSW from MWSU. Unfortunately, those 10 students will not be able to sit for their licensing exam until Missouri Western’s MSW program is granted full accreditation. Full accreditation is a process that takes three years to complete. Upon completion, all students who have graduated from MWSU while in candidacy will be grandfathered as having graduated from an accredited program. Presently, the licensing regulation states that to be eligible to sit for the LMSW exam, applicants must have a master’s degree from an accredited social work degree program approved by the council of social work education. Without an LMSW license in MO, social workers are not eligible for clinical supervision, and are not able to practice clinical social work. Clinical social work practice is defined as “the application of social work theory, knowledge, values, methods, principles, and techniques of case work, group work, client-centered advocacy, community organization, administration, planning, evaluation, consultation, research, psychotherapy and counseling methods and techniques to persons, families and groups.” The process of clinical supervision is a best practice that guides and supports LMSW’s professional growth. The CSWE launched new standards in May/June of 2023. The new standards have been designed to reduce barriers for educating social work students, and growing the profession given the serious needs in all communities. In addition, EPAS 2022 is designed to support small schools in developing social work programs. While the MSW program at Missouri Western is currently the only Missouri school in pre-candidacy and candidacy, we will not be the last. The current statute is a barrier to “grow your own.” Given that several surrounding states have statutes that allow students in pre-candidacy programs to be licensed, it is possible that our May 2024 and 2025 graduates cross the state board to practice in a state where they could be licensed. Adjusting the statute to allow the board to create a provisional status for candidacy is a positive move in continuing to grow our own. Please note, that programs in pre-candidacy and candidacy are under the supervision and direction of the CSWE, not unlike Missouri LMSWs who are in clinical supervision. Thank you for your time and consideration of House Bill 1533. Best Regards, Dr. Grey Endres DSW MSW LCSW LSCSW MO LCSW #5152 MSW Program Director/Associate Professor Missouri Western State University 4525 Downs Drive/Murphy Hall 207D Saint Joseph, MO 64507 rendres@missouriwestern.edu



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I have been a Licensed Clinical Social worker in the state of MO since 2011. I am a field instructor for Missouri Western State University Social Work program. This bill will allow social worker to enter the field more quickly without sacrificing any education or supervision as the ASWB and CSWE have safeguards in place to ensure quality and ethical practices. The students I am supervising currently are fantastic and need the opportunity to move forward in their career and licensure without delay.



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I am in support of allowing Master social workers coming from a program in candidacy to sit for their license.



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As a licensed clinical social worker, I oppose the language in this bill that allows for the "establishment of a policy and procedure for reviewing social work degree programs offering a master's degree in social work that are not accredited by the council on social work education to determine whether to recognize and approve such programs for licensure." I support a social work program in candidacy working on their accreditation for students who graduate during this process to be able to apply for licensure, which is distinct from paragraph 8 on page 8. The manner in which this language is written would allow unaccredited programs that are not pursuing accreditation to be recognized as eligible for licensure. Licensure is vital to professionalism in various professional disciplines (e.g., nursing, psychologists), including social workers. Accreditation standards are critical to not only maintaining professional standards but also to ensure the safety of clients.



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**I am Opposed to this Bill.**



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On page 8 paragraph eight, there is mention of putting a policy in procedure in place to determine whether or not to allow those programs eligibility for licensure. I am not in favor of this. There are many reasons why we have an accrediting body in the first place. We need those checks and balances. Schools that are accredited are going through a very rigorous assessment process to ensure that we are staying up-to-date with state of the art evidence based practices to ensure quality and ethical care of clients. Stripping this accreditation process away and allowing for institutions to not have to seek out accreditation would not be favorable for this profession. I would ask that that be eliminated from those changes that are currently proposed in this bill.



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I am submitting this testimony in opposition to the policy change of considering and potentially recognizing and approving social work programs that are not accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). Accredited by CSWE, social work programs ensure that social workers graduate with the knowledge, skills, and cognitive and affective processes necessary to help individuals, families, groups, and communities. We would not consider recognizing or approving other professional programs, such as medical professions, that did not meet the standards of the preeminent accrediting body and this should not be the case for social workers, a well-regarded and highly sought-after profession.





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Even after pulling statutes referenced I cannot find a council on social work education defined. Baccalaureate programs are United Nations programs.



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**We are in the middle of a mental health crises in America!!! I personally have Bipolar Disorder, Anxiety and ADHD and have a son with ADHD and a daughter with Autism, ODD, ADHD, Anxiety, PMDD and OCD. We struggle to afford all of our medical appointments and medication co-pays even though I have a good job and private health insurance. This is not the time to limit social workers ability to help!!!! I am also a BSW and run a podcast on my own time to help women with mental health issues and neurodiversity issues. I'm doing my. part! Do yours!**