



A Mark of Excellence

Investing in social work faculty



The School of Social Work at Wayne State University offers rigorous undergraduate and graduate degree programs to students seeking to understand and advance social work practice. The school's accomplished and passionate faculty is essential to each student's success.

Social work faculty promote positive change through innovative research while forging vital partnerships in Detroit and across the globe.

This creates an institutional culture that fosters growth, leads change and transforms lives within the community.

Providing resources and support to help faculty members achieve maximum impact is a key priority for the School of Social Work. To maintain and advance an excellent curriculum, the School of Social Work must recruit and retain talented educators with competitive offers.



Attracting and supporting top talent

The School of Social Work offers several giving opportunities to support faculty members and instructional excellence.

Endowed chair and professorship positions bring national recognition to Wayne State, helping to attract and retain leading thinkers in the social work field. Visiting professors help the school enhance its breadth of research and provide collaboration opportunities for faculty and students.

Philanthropic support can also enhance research efforts that lead to the discovery of new knowledge and the advancement of social work practice. Faculty travel and publication support helps this new knowledge reach beyond Detroit to influence change on a broader scale.

Endowed faculty positions and research funds are investments in the future. An endowed fund is permanently available to support Wayne State because your gift is invested as principal and never spent. The faculty position or research fund you establish is then funded through investment earnings. Wayne State's endowment is professionally managed and invested so your gift continues to grow over time.

The amount available to support faculty members each year will depend on the size of the initial gift and the endowment distribution rate. Named chairs and professorships are created once the minimum funding level has been reached, through a single gift or through pledge installments.

ENDOWMENT TYPE	INVESTMENT LEVEL	PROJECTED ANNUAL SUPPORT	ANNUAL IMPACT
Endowed chair	\$1,500,000	\$60,000	Provides major compensation support for a senior faculty leader, along with research, equipment or travel funding
Endowed professorship	\$750,000	\$30,000	Provides compensation support for a distinguished faculty member, along with research, equipment or travel funding
Visiting professorship	\$500,000	\$20,000	Provides compensation and research support for a distinguished visiting professor
Faculty development award	\$100,000	\$4,000	Supports research, equipment, travel or other expenses for an outstanding faculty member
Research or travel award	\$25,000	\$1,000	Provides an annual award to support faculty research or travel

Investing in the future of the field

School of Social Work faculty members are leaders in their field, as well as committed educators and researchers. Your support will help these professionals shape positive solutions for generations to come.

