**UConn School of Social Work Ph.D. Program**

**Call for Proposals**

**Vivian Michaelson Fellowship**

The School of Social Work announces a call for proposals for the Vivian Michaelson Fellowship for a PhD student whose dissertation research directly addresses an aspect of women and/or girls involved in the criminal justice/juvenile justice system.

One award of $12,500 per year for up to two years based on enrollment and good academic standing (for a total award of up to $25,000) is available for the 2019-20 academic year. Applicants are eligible for the fellowship following the successful defense of their dissertation proposal. Students may receive this award once during their tenure in the PhD program. The award supports activities related to dissertation research (data collection/analysis, travel, etc.) and as a general stipend.

A sub-committee of the Doctoral Committee will select the fellowship recipient. The research is expected to make a significant contribution to the scholarly, policy and/or practice literature in the social work profession related to women/girls, incarceration, and the criminal justice/juvenile justice system. The fellowship will be awarded based on review of the following materials submitted by applicants:

* A current Curriculum Vita
* A proposal of up to 1,500 words that contains the following:
	+ *Overview*: summarize your planned dissertation research, including how it addresses the role of women/girls in the criminal justice/juvenile justice system; the proposed research methodology; the theoretical orientation used in the dissertation;
	+ *Impact*: identify the expected contribution your research will make to the social work profession;
	+ *Timeline*: provide a timeline for the completion of your dissertation;
	+ *Budget*: identify how the award will support your dissertation research.
* A short statement from your Dissertation Committee Chair that addresses the status of the dissertation project and proposed timeline for completion of the dissertation. This should not be an evaluative statement about your actual dissertation research.

Students may only receive one of the following awards in a given academic year: the Dissertation Research Fellowship, Dissertation Writing Fellowship, Vivian Michaelson Fellowship, and the Research Facilitation Fund.

Deadline for applications is May 1, 2020.

Applications should be submitted in PDF format to scott.harding@uconn.edu.

Questions about the fellowship should be directed to Scott Harding, PhD Program Co-Director 959-200-3628; scott.harding@uconn.edu.