

## **Barton College's Child Welfare Education Collaborative Requirements**

The North Carolina Child Welfare Education Collaborative (NC-CWEC) is a unique partnership between the North Carolina Division of Social Services and 21 universities and colleges. The social work programs in each of these universities/colleges offer curricula that not only meets North Carolina's Pre-service competency requirements but includes specialized, in-depth training in child welfare best practices and theory. When a participating student receives her/his BSW or MSW, they also receive their North Carolina Child Welfare Pre-Service Training Certificate. The NC-CWEC focuses on strengthening child welfare services in NC by increasing the number and diversity of highly trained and committed BSWs and MSWs in county Department of Social Services. To learn more about the Child Welfare Education Collaborative please visit this link: <http://cwec.web.unc.edu/>.

### **Additional Information:**

BSW students applying to participate in the Child Welfare Education Collaborative program must agree to complete the approved child welfare pre-service curriculum and coursework identified for Barton College which includes the following:

- BSW students are eligible to apply to the Collaborative during the fall semester of their Junior classes (prior to enrolling in SWK 328).
- Applications are submitted on-line via the Collaborative Gateway at <https://ssw.unc.edu/cwec/gateway/>. Applications are then reviewed by the Child Welfare Education Collaborative Office and Barton College.
- Following application approval, BSW Collaborative students must successfully complete SWK 340 Child Welfare, receiving a final grade no lower than a B-. (\*Please note that this course is currently offered only once a year during the spring semester.)
- BSW Collaborative students must complete the following trainings with the Family and Children's Resource Program, UNC School of Social Work: Launching My Child Welfare Career (LMJ), Enhancing the Child Welfare Field Placement Training, Introduction to Trauma, Advanced Trauma Informed Practice, and Law Day.
- BSW Collaborative students must complete their field placement in a local NC Department of Social Services agency in child welfare services, receiving a final grade no lower than a B in SWK 450/451.
- BSW Collaborative students must complete the Transfer of Learning Activities while enrolled in SWK 328, 428 and as a component of their field placement. Collaborative students will discuss these transfer of learning activities with their professors for each of those respective courses and their Field Instructor while enrolled in SWK 450/451.

Administered by the Family and Children's Resource Program, UNC School of Social Work, in partnership with the Division of Social Services, each participating social work program has an identified "Liaison" with CWEC and is the person to contact for more information. At Barton College, this is Social Work faculty member Trinette Boone-Langley. To learn more about Barton College's Social Work Program or the application and training requirements for students to become child welfare education collaborative, please contact Trinette Boone-Langley at [tboone@barton.edu](mailto:tboone@barton.edu) or (252) 399-6626. Students interested in participating in the Collaborative at Barton College are asked to contact Mrs. Langley prior to applying.

Interested students are also encouraged to view "A Realistic Job Preview of NC Child Welfare Work". This 33-minute video provides a balanced and realistic view of the challenges & rewards of public child welfare social work from DSS child welfare workers: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eVgGeLbLi2s>.