



**The Greater Rochester Collaborative**  
**Master of Social Work Program**



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*"Education is the kindling of a flame not a filling of a vessel." (Socrates)*

Based on the overwhelming support and encouragement of the Auburn community, we are pleased to announce that we are accepting applications for our GRC MSW Program for our extension site at Cayuga Community College, Auburn, New York for the 2015-2016 academic year. Information sessions will be held on Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> and again on Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm to 7:30 pm at CCC. Faculty and/or staff of the graduate program and CCC will be available to answer any questions, discuss the part-time graduate program being offered at CCC, as well as the application process. Additional info sessions will be held later in June and early July. Please check the GRC MSW website as well as the CCC website for dates.

Eligible applicants for the 2015-2016 academic year for our 60 credit, 3-year part-time program, will be those applicants who have an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution. The on-line application and required forms are available at [www.brockport.edu/graduate/apps/](http://www.brockport.edu/graduate/apps/). Please visit our website for program prerequisites, writing guidelines and any additional information pertaining to the program at [www.brockport.edu/grcmw](http://www.brockport.edu/grcmw). Please check *the Auburn link* for specific information.

Our MSW Program provides graduate studies in social work using a strength-based and empowerment approach to working with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities. Consistent with the mission of both colleges, the MSW program affirms the tradition of promoting empowerment of all groups of people to achieve social justice and equality. The program's focus on community-based practice is unique in its emphasis on leadership in interdisciplinary teamwork across social systems. The GRC MSW program prepares competent, advanced social work practitioners to address the anti-violence, women's health, child welfare, aging, and poverty challenges through community collaboration, partnership, and empowerment.

The GRC MSW Program has been accredited by the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE) and is registered with the NYS Department of Education. We are the only MSW program in the nation that is a collaboration of a private comprehensive college and a state university. Since our inception in 2000, we have graduated more than 550 students and have approximately 200 students currently enrolled in our program located in three sites: Rochester, Auburn and Watertown. Our graduates' first-time pass rate on the New York State Licensing Exam is consistently one of the highest in the state. In fact, our 2012 first-time pass rate for the LMSW exam was 93 percent. Out of 17 graduate schools of social work in NYS, we tied for first with Columbia University! In 2013, we were second with a pass rate over 90 percent.

If you have additional questions, please contact us or our Coordinator of Admissions, Registration & Student Services, Mr. Brad Snyder, MPA, at 585-395-8452 or [bsnyder@brockport.edu](mailto:bsnyder@brockport.edu).

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