American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare
To Induct Fellows

The American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare (AASWSW) has selected fellows for their distinguished accomplishments as scholars and practitioners dedicated to achieving excellence in high-impact work that advances social good. They will be inducted during public ceremonies at the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), Conference, January 13, 2017, in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Election into the AASWSW is through a process common to many scholarly academies involving confidential nomination by current Fellows and election by a super-majority of Fellows. The establishment of the American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare in 2010 represented an effort by the leading national social work organizations to strengthen the field’s capacity for rigorous analysis that can guide effective human services policies, programs, and practices, is intended to encourage and recognize outstanding research, scholarship, and practice that contribute to a sustainable, equitable, and just future. The Academy aims to influence social policy by serving as a frontline source of information for the social work profession as well as Congress and other governmental and non-government entities. It promotes the examination of social policy and the application of research to test alternative policies, programs, and practices for their impact on society. AASWSW also celebrates excellence in social work and social welfare research, education, and practice. The Academy has recently launched the Grand Challenges for Social Work Initiative.

“The Fellows of the Academy are all strong leaders in integrating scientific methods and social work practice and policy and an enormous resource for the field. I am delighted
that 15 more Fellows will be inducted as this will significantly strengthen the range and impact of our work to address the grand challenges facing our society.” said AASWSW President Richard Barth, Dean of the University of Maryland, School of Social Work.

Induction will be preceded by a talk given by Fellow Michael Sherraden, George Warren Brown Distinguished University Professor, and Director, Center for Social Development, Washington University in St Louis.

This year marks a special Induction Ceremony, as the Academy welcomes incoming President, Sarah Gehlert, E. Desmond Lee Professor of Racial and Ethnic Diversity, Washington University in St Louis, and Vice President, Gail Steketee, Dean, Boston University, School of Social Work. Additionally the conference theme is a Grand Challenges for Social Work: Ensuring Healthy Development for All Youth.

The incoming Fellows are:

Anita Barbee, PhD
Professor and Distinguished University Scholar
University of Louisville, Kent School of Social Work

Gary Bowen, PhD
Dean and Kenan Distinguished Professor
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, School of Social Work

Maria Cancian, PhD
Professor of Public Affairs and Social Work
Faculty Affiliate, Institute for Research on Poverty
University of Wisconsin-Madison, Robert M. La Follette School of Public Affairs

Dennis P. Culhane, PhD
Professor and Dana and Andrew Stone Chair in Social Policy
Co-Principal Investigator, Actionable Intelligence for Social Policy
Director of Research, National Center for Homelessness Among Veterans
University of Pennsylvania, School of Social Policy & Practice
Shaun Eack, PhD
David E. Epperson Professor of Social Work and Professor of Psychiatry
University of Pittsburgh, School of Social Work and Department of Psychiatry

Cynthia Franklin, PhD
Associate Dean for Doctoral Education and Stiernberg/Spencer Family Professor in Mental Health
University of Texas, Austin, School of Social Work

Robyn L. Golden, LCSW
Director, Department of Health Systems Management, College of Health Sciences
Rush University Medical Center

Lorraine Gutierrez, PhD
Arthur F Thurnau Professor, Professor of Psychology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts and of Social Work, School of Social Work
University of Michigan

James Jaccard, PhD
Interim Dean and Professor of Social Work; Co-director, Center for Latino Adolescent and Family Health
New York University, Silver School of Social Work

Susan Kemp, PhD
Charles O. Cressey Endowed Professor
Director, PhD Program in Social Welfare
University of Washington, School of Social Work

Lena Lundgren, PhD,
Associate Dean for Research
Professor, Social Welfare Policy
Director, Center for Addictions Research & Services
Boston University, School of Social Work
Michael Reisch  
Daniel Thursz Distinguished Professor of Social Justice  
University of Maryland, School of Social Work

Michael Vaughn, PhD  
Director of the PhD in Social Work Program  
Saint Louis University, College for Public Health and Social Justice

Mary Marden Velasquez, PhD  
Centennial Professor in Leadership for Community, Professional and Corporate Excellence;  
Director, Health Behavior Research and Training Institute  
University of Texas at Austin

James Herbert Williams, PhD  
Distinguished Emil M. Sunley Endowed Chair  
Dean Emeritus and Professor  
University of Denver, Graduate School of Social Work

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