**Bureau Name:** Children's Bureau  
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**GRANT INFORMATION:**

- **Name of Grantee:** Illinois State University  
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**ABSTRACT:**

The Illinois State University's Project: Developing Professional Careers in Child Welfare will prepare MSW students for professional careers in agencies through completion of a child and family concentration at a public university. Applicants for the program will complete a self-assessment program based on efforts by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services to determine if a child welfare career is a good fit. Students selected for the program will be placed in carefully developed field placement sites that are committed to providing professional education and training based the teaching approach known as cognitive apprenticeship. Field placements will be accompanied by a specialized seminar that focused exclusively on child welfare issues. Principle objectives of the project include: • To enhance social work education's ability to better prepare graduate social work students child welfare careers; • To develop a stronger working relationship with the public child welfare agency and purchase-of-service child welfare agencies; • To facilitate traineeship recipients' placement and acceptance of regular employment in child welfare; • To work more collaboratively with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services to incorporate child welfare competencies into our MSW curriculum; • To explore the option of offering graduate course work in the Chicago area; and • To partner trainees with experienced practitioners and faculty in presenting continuing education workshops on topics of interest to the child welfare community.

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