University of the Arctic:

Thematic Network on Social Work

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In October 2026, The UArctic Thematic Network on Social Work was awarded the Council on Social Work Education Commission on Global Social Work Education 2026 Partners in Advancing International Education Organization Award. The award was presented to the UArctic Thematic Network on Social Work during the 2026 Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia.

Three members of the UArctic Thematic Network on Social Work were present to receive the award: Mary Dallas Allen (University of Alaska Anchorage), Debbie Gonzalez (Cal Poly Humboldt), Nicole Ive (McGillUniversity).

The CSWE Commission on Global Social Work Education (CGSWE) Partners in Advancing International Education (PIE) Awards program honors the contribution of social work faculty members, social work students (BSW, MSW, or PhD), and organizations as partners in advancing education for global social work. The PIE awards are given in recognition of conceptual, curricular, and programmatic innovations in education for global social work. All nominations must be U.S.-based actively working on global issues.

Below are photos of the award and award ceremony:



(L-R: Leticia Villareal Sosa, Chair, CSWE Commission on Global Social Work Education; Debbie Gonzalez, Cal Poly Humboldt representative on TNSW; Mary Dallas Allen, UAA representative on TNSW; Felicia Tuggle, CSWE Commission on Global Social Work Education; Nicole Ives, McGill University representative on TNSW)

Congratulations to all members of the network on this well-deserved international recognition!

