Meet Harmony Revard Fuller, who obtained the Social Work with American Indians Graduate Certificate and talks about opportunities it provides

In 2014, I began my first year at OU-Tulsa’s Zarrow School of Social Work and quickly learned about the Social Work with American Indians Graduate Certificate that was being developed. I eagerly awaited the application process and thus started my journey in focusing my graduate career in the field of both American Indian behavioral health and Women and Genders Studies. I am WahZhaZhe (Osage) and while in school my focus shifted specifically toward learning skills to address the healing and betterment of other WahZhaZhe. Domestic violence and trauma in Indian Country quickly became the center of my final year while in practicum with Muskogee (Creek) Nation’s Family Violence Prevention Program.

During the Social Work with American Indians program, I received education on behavioral health with American Indian populations, social work and advocacy in Indian Country, and tribal law and policy. This program helped to scaffold my learning experience and enrich my skill set in American Indian behavioral health. Today, I am an LMSW for Osage Nation’s WahZhaZhi Health Center in Pawhuska, Oklahoma. I provide individual psychotherapy, group therapy, family counseling, and education to a wide variety of people in a clinic setting. I have utilized my knowledge from the graduate certificate program in many ways, including developing and facilitating a Historical Trauma process group for Osage Nation’s Primary Residential Treatment
Center, which is a residential drug and alcohol treatment program. The graduate certificate has provided me the opportunity and skills to continue to educate others in my community about evaluation, intervention, and advocacy that is central to providing behavioral health services to Indigenous peoples. It has been a true gift to my professional and personal life.

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