

Amber Whiteside



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Amber Whiteside is the Western Region Senior Fellowship Program Coordinator for the New York State Public Health Corps. She has 10+ years of experience working in human services and childcare. Amber worked for the Boys and Girls Club of Buffalo for eight years before moving to healthcare in 2020. She began working at the Boys and Girls Club as an Americorps VISTA volunteer and later became an Assistant Director. Amber worked in healthcare as a dental assistant and a medical receptionist during the COVID-19 pandemic. She began her fellowship in June 2022. In 2019, Amber received the Changemakers 303 under 30 award for Education. Amber is currently enrolled at Buffalo State University pursuing a Psychology BS to get a master's in Social Work to become a Licensed Clinical Social Worker.

CAREER GOALS

I am working towards my master's in Social Work. I would like to become a Licensed Clinical Social Worker to help counsel children and families, as well as, produce and provide solutions to help remove barriers to community members.







SOME OF MY FAVES

Harry Potter is one of my all-time favorite movies. I love it because there are so many great moral messages and it's super entertaining!



WORDS I LIVE BY

"Around here, however, we don't look backwards for very long. We keep moving forward, opening up new doors and doing new things... and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths." -Walt Disney (This quote can be seen at the end of the movie **Meet the Robinsons**.)

This quote applies to everything I can think of. Everything personal hiccup, every misstep with school, and poor career choices. It's okay to look back on the past, good or bad, but don't get stuck on it. Forward is a new path with new opportunities, probably what you were trying to achieve. Keep moving forward!







FUN FACT

I took dance lessons for 16 years. From the ages of 2 years old to 18 years old (tap, ballet, modern)





