



## **The Cutting Edge: Contemporary Social Issues Colloquium Series**

UTA Sociology launched the Contemporary Social Issues Colloquium Series, 'The Cutting Edge,' in the spring of 2021. Participating in this virtual colloquium series during the period of mandatory remote work was a true indulgence for UTA Sociologists. The Cutting Edge provided an important outlet for academic discussion and community building during this time of great isolation. While our campus has resumed in-person instruction, the virtual colloquium series continues. Each academic year, the Sociology Program invites a small number of early-career scholars to present their research. The series serves as a fun and enriching outlet for intellectual discussion, and its virtual format allows us to engage with scholars from across the US and around the world.

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### **Spring 2023**

March 22, 2:30 pm

Dr. Martha Tillson

University of Kentucky

*Injection Drug Use among Rural Appalachian Women:  
Initiation Events and Providing Injection Initiation Assistance to Others*

April 14, 12:00pm

Laura Halcomb

University of California, Santa Barbara