School of Social Work’s Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Statement:
Guided by the NASW Code of Ethics, we are a diverse group of individuals committed to social justice who celebrate our various social identities. We commit to intentionally building conditions within our School that create more space and remove barriers for diverse, and historically excluded individuals.

DIRECTOR’S CORNER
Dr. Jandel Crutchfield, PhD, LCSW

There are a lot of notable things to do and celebrate in November. It is designated as Native American or American Indian Heritage month; the month we celebrate Veteran’s Day, and the time we engage in political action to vote in midterm elections. These things are not unrelated. The first people here in this country were American Indians, yet they fight against marginalization. Veterans also face structural challenges in earning benefits and receiving the honor they are due. Much of their plight can be addressed at the voting booth, though many try to limit access to this powerful tool for change!

We have the opportunity this month to engage in the political process, thank a Veteran, and celebrate the rich culture of American Indians in our community!

Read more here about Dr. Crutchfield’s vision for DEI

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National Native American Heritage Month Spotlight

Every year on November 1, Native American Heritage Month is celebrated to honor the remarkable Native Americans who have contributed a lot to improve the character of the nation. This month is also referred to as the American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month. November is the time to rejoice in diverse and rich cultures, histories, and traditions and to appreciate the great contributions of the Native Americans. This month allows us to spread awareness about tribes or to educate people about the various challenges faced by the Native Americans in the past and today. Throughout this month, we commit to keep on supporting the remaining Native American tribes and let the world know about their sacrifices.

Source: https://nationaltoday.com/american-heritage-month/
Hello to all, my name is Maria Cruz a Mexican DACA receipt first-generation college student. I am a BSW senior at the University of Texas at Arlington and an intern for the BSW USL program. I graduated from Dallas college with my Associate Degree in Liberal Arts. While looking for my career path, I stumbled into the field of Social Work. I realized helping to protect vulnerable individuals, groups, and families from harm or abuse or supporting them to live independently helps me feel as a candle that was needed in the darkness. Someone once said to me "Be the change you want to see in the world". I will graduate with my BSW in Spring 2023 and persist to earn a MSW all the way to LCSW.

Kind regards,
Maria Cruz
Student- Bachelor of Social Work
Intern- UTA School of Social Work

Do you want to leave feedback? Please click the link located at the bottom of the newsletter and fill out the Microsoft Forms. Thank you!

Student of the Month

Resources/Training

Stay in the Loop

UTA School of Social Work
Office of Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

Courageous Conversations

JOIN US FOR NOVEMBER'S COMMUNITY OF CARING SESSION AS WE TACKLE THIS TOPIC IN A BRAVE SPACE WITH THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK!

JOIN AT THE LINK/QR CODE BELOW

OPEN TO ALL IN THE SSW!

NOVEMBER 11, 2022
10:00-11:00AM


Click the link for more info about the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Professional Development Fund

DEI Office Trainings Schedule

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**Fall 2022**

SSW Office of Caring DEI Community Calendar

Is there a current event happening that you would like to talk about? Please fill out a form using the link or QR code below and help us find the important topics to discuss. We are open to suggestions!

https://bit.ly/3rC9tOc

**Dates**

- August 25
  10:00am-11:00am
- Critical Race Theory
  and Immigrant access
  to Higher Ed.
- September 9
  10:00am-11:00am
- October 14
  10:00am-11:00am
- November 11
  10:00am-11:00am

To join all events use the link or QR code below


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**Spring 2023**

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**Dates**

- January 20
  10:00am-11:00am
- February 10
  10:00am-11:00am
- March 10
  10:00am-11:00am
- April 14
  10:00am-11:00am

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**Office of DEI Training Calendar**

**September**

- Instructor: Catherine Labrenz
  Topic: Critical Humility
  Date: 09/08/2022
  Time: 12:30-1:30pm
  Modality: Virtual

**October**

- Instructor: Britanie Ash
  Topic: Microaggressions
  Date: 10/09/2022
  Time: 12:30-1:30pm
  Modality: Face-to-face

**November**

- Instructor: Noelle Fields
  Topic: Ageism
  Date: 11/17/2022
  Time: 12:30-1:30PM
  Modality: Virtual

**December**

- Instructor: Regina Praterius
  Topic: Decolonization of Curriculum
  Date: 12/01/2022
  Time: 12:30-1:30PM
  Modality: Virtual

**January**

- Instructor: Janel Crutcherfield
  Topic: Unconscious Bias
  Date: 01/05/2023
  Time: 12:30-1:30PM
  Modality: Face-to-face

**February**

- Instructor: Micki Washburn
  Topic: Using non-stigmatizing language when speaking about substance abuse
  Date: 02/09/2023
  Time: 12:30-1:30PM
  Modality: Virtual

**March**

- Instructor: Christian Vazquez
  Topic: Mentoring Students of Color
  Date: 03/09/2023
  Time: 12:30-1:30PM
  Modality: Virtual

**April**

- Instructor: Donna Schuman
  Topic: Military Veterans
  Date: 04/13/2023
  Time: 12:30-1:30PM
  Modality: Virtual

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**The Center for African American Studies Presents**

**November Power Hour**

**Race & Roe: Rights, Reproduction, & the Impact of Roe vs Wade on Black Bodies**

Featuring Dr. Mia Moore-Kirby

**Wednesday November 9th, 2022**

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

University Center Guadalupe Room

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For more information please contact the Center for African American Studies

CAAS@uta.edu / (817) 272-9642
Homecoming Chili Cook-off
Can you handle the heat? Join the Homecoming crew and the Division of Student Affairs for the annual Chili Cook-Off.

Teams will compete to win the ultimate prize of Chili Cook-Off champion, bragging rights, and an awesome trophy. Open to all UTA, students, faculty, staff, and alumni groups. You can register your team or just come and enjoy a homecoming tradition.

Wednesday, November 9 at 12:00pm to 1:00pm
Brazos Park
601 S. West St., Arlington, Texas 76010

Homecoming: Chalk The Mall
Student organizations at UTA: Want to show off your organization’s UTA spirit in a sidewalk chalk competition? Join us in this Homecoming event to unleash your organization’s creative abilities for the chance to win cash prizes!

Sign Up by November 4.

Monday, November 7 at 9:00am to 2:00pm
Library Mall
702 Planetarium Place, Arlington, Tx

Paint Your Ride with Maverick Pride
Paint Your Ride is a UTA tradition that is hosted by Freshman Leaders on Campus (FLOC). All UTA students, staff, faculty, alumni, and community members are encouraged to join us for the drive-by tradition! Join Freshman Leaders on Campus as they paint your vehicle windows with Maverick Pride that you can show throughout town during Homecoming Week.

Monday, November 7 at 11:00am to 1:00pm
Arlington Hall Turnaround, Lot 49, Maverick Circle, West Hall Turnaround

Homecoming 5K
This year’s Homecoming route is a scenic one throughout the UTA campus. Both walking and running entries are accepted. All proceeds will go to the UTA Emergency Assistance Fund. Open to all UTA students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members.

Regular Registration (11/1/22 - 11/11/22) Student $18; Non-Student $28
Race Day Registration (11/12/22) Student $20; Non-Student $30

Saturday, November 12 at 10:00am to 11:30am
Maverick Activities Center
500 W. Nedderman Dr., Arlington, TX
SOCIAL WORK EVENTS

SCREENING AND PANEL DISCUSSION OF "THE WOMAN KING"

Let's Stay Connected!

Questions/comments/suggestions?
Fill out this form here

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