National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month

During National Mentoring Month, we bring attention to how we can make sure youth in our communities have trustworthy people to look up to. Some goals are to:

• Raise awareness of mentoring in its various forms.
• Recruit individuals to mentor, especially in programs that have waiting lists of young people.
• Promote growth of mentoring by enlisting establishments to engage their members in mentoring.

Mentoring benefits both the mentor and mentee by:

• Improving confidence
• Developing communication skills
• Exposing participants to new experiences
• Improving goal-setting
• Improving listening skills
• Developing organizational skills

Ways to Be Observe and be Involved:

• Look into a mentor program
  • See how it can benefit you OR how you can benefit it
• Become an advocate, click here to see more details

Source: https://nationaldaycalendar.com/national-mentoring-month-january/
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CEU OPPORTUNITIES

Free CEU’s from Valdosta State University
For All Licensed Clinical Social Workers

Do you need Continuing Education units? Earn those units from the comfort of your office. Click for more information.

IMPORTANT DATES

SPRING 2022

- Feb 23rd – Last day to drop from 1st-8 week session by 4PM
- April 1st – Last day to drop from regular session by 4PM
- March 21st – First day of 2nd-8 week session
- April 26th – Last day to drop from 2nd-8 week sessions
- March 1st – Graduation application deadline

OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers
Make it happen!

Be a part of our special team of Presbyterian Hospital Volunteers. We care for our patients in the quiet times at home...a partner always, ready never to leave or pretending charity. Just a free hour a week can make a lasting impact on thousands of others.

Unlimited opportunities:
Direct Patient Care - sitting with patients, comforting, working with discharged patients.
Non-Direct Patient Care - serving meals, helping with cleaning, taking care of special requests.

Requirements:
Reliable Transportation
Must be at least 21 years old
Must be at least 14 years old
Volunteer a minimum of 2 hours per week
Must complete application and background check

Interested in serving the profession?
Nominate Yourself for an Elected Leadership Position

(Pictured NASW Texas board of direction Secretary Nicole Wills, PhD, CSW-L)

Self-nominations are now being accepted for the NASW Texas 2022 Elections. Being an elected leader with NASW Texas is a fun and meaningful way to increase your leadership skills, serve the profession and network with social work leaders across the state. Ann NASW Texas member in good standing may run for an elected position. Terms begin July 1, 2022.

View list of 2022 Open Positions
[Use this link to download your election information]

The work of the association is not possible without our stellar volunteer leaders. Please consider nominating yourself for one of our open positions.

Application deadline is January 31, 2022 Apply Here
ADVISING

Need to meet with an advisor but there's no upcoming appointment available? Drop-in either in person or virtually on Wednesdays. To schedule your 30-minute drop-in time, click here. Be sure to select in-person or virtual and your advisor. Remember, drop-in sessions are on a first come basis.

Feeling a bit lost? Start with your Graduate Student Leader!

Don't know who that is? Email Stacie Hill to get connected!

FIELD PLACEMENTS

General

- InPlace has a new URL! All students, agencies, and Field Instructors will need to use the new URL: https://inplace.uta.edu/
- The InPlace fee is $67 per year or $130 for a lifetime. Each student will need to plan to pay the InPlace fee on the first day of class for that semester they are starting field.
- InPlace Training and Logbook Training can be found here!
- Field forms are available here!
- Field FAQ
- If you are having technical difficulties with InPlace please email sswfield@uta.edu and include a screenshot of the issue.
- Are you a CAP student ready for your advanced field placement? Check out the Funding section for paid opportunities!

Spring 2022

- The Spring 2022 Field Application is now closed
- Read the Summer 2021 – Spring 2022 Field Accommodations here.
- All students have been placed. Students should contact their field advisor if they are still awaiting placement.
- See the Spring 2022 Field Education Calendar here.

InPlace fee is due on the first day of class.

FIELD POWER HOURS

This is an opportunity for you to ask questions, similar to Office Hours for faculty!

- Foundation MSW
  - Field Advisor: Natalie Mangham
  - 1st & 3rd Monday of the month, 3-4
  - Click here to join the meeting

- CAP & Children & Families
  - Field Advisor: Monica Brown
  - 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, 3-4
  - Click here to join the meeting

- Mental Health
  - Field Advisor: Hector Ramos
  - 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month, 3-4
  - Click here to join the meeting

- Aging & Health
  - Field Advisor: Sharon Martin
  - 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, 3:30-4
  - Click here to join the meeting

LICENSING

- If you're in your final semester and want to get started on applying to ASWB to take the LMSW licensing exam, click here to request the Dean's Letter for Licensure, which UTA will send to ASWB. More info can be found on the ASWB site and our SSW licensure page.

- Click here for a recording of our Social Work Licensing Information Session.

- Interested in the LCDC? Scroll to the end of this Licensure webpage and click on the Texas LCDC Licensing 2021 PDF for a chart that shows how different education levels can prepare you for the LCDC.
Mentorship Opportunity

Arlington ISD is looking to set up some of their students with mentors. Help support our community schools!

If interesting, please reach out to Stephanie Tucker at stephanie.tucker@mavs.uta.edu

The Texas Substance Use Symposium (TxSUS) represents a special time for our substance use community to come together and continue our work to strengthen the field and identify challenges and solutions for substance use. Click here for more information.
REQUIRED COVID-19 TESTING

Regardless of vaccination status, all students and employees coming to campus in any capacity for the spring 2022 semester must provide proof of a viral COVID-19 test by Feb. 4, 2022. Tests taken before Jan. 3, 2022 will not be accepted. If you have any questions, contact covidtesting@uta.edu.

UTA has a number of on-campus testing options that meet the required criteria and are free. Results received from an on-campus testing option will automatically be reported to the University with no further action required on your part. UTA’s COVID-19 testing resources are always available to you should you need or want a test, not only when you are completing a UTA testing requirement.

Results from off-campus testing sites will be accepted, though you will not be reimbursed for costs. Test results from an off-campus testing site will be uploaded to the COVID-19 Self Report portal in MyMav. If you have trouble finding or using the portal, contact the OIT Help Desk. Remember, if you test positive, please follow the CDC’s isolation protocols and submit the Personal Diagnosis Form.

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Covid-19 Vaccine
On Campus Covid Vaccine Clinic
Each clinic will operate on a walk-in-only basis and be held in the Group Exercise Room (101B) in the Maverick Activities Center.

• Wednesday, February 2 – 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Contact covidvaccine@uta.edu with any questions.
If the dates and times of these clinics don’t work for you, the COVID-19 vaccine is free and widely available in Arlington and surrounding communities. To find a vaccine or booster near you, enter your zip code into the CDC’s COVID-19 vaccine finder.

Click Here for more information.

Need help with an assignment, writing, or study tips? Book your FREE session at the Connections Tutoring Lab!
RESOURCES

UTA Academic Calendar

Check Canvas for the MavsUnite Page!
To add please e-mail: Emily Clark

Evidence-Based Practice Research Guide

SAR Center
(Formerly Office of Students with Disabilities)

Managing Stress and Anxiety During COVID-19
UTA Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

THERAPIST ASSISTED ONLINE (TAO)
Visit TAOconnect.org

THRIVE APP
Download "Thrive at U" on App Store or Google Play

MAVS TALK 24HR CRISIS LINE
Call (817) 272-8295
Visit uta.edu/caps for more information

UTA is a COMMUNITY THAT CARES

Rental Assistance Program
The Tarrant County Rental Assistance Program assists residents who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. For more details, email renthelp@tarrantcounty.com or call 817-850-7940.

Emergency Assistance Fund
UTA students with a temporary financial hardship resulting from a sudden emergency may apply for financial help.

Get Microsoft 365, The Wall Street Journal and Other Apps FREE with your student email!

How to gain access to SSW writing resources: Advising & Student Success Canvas

UTA/Tri-C Food Pantry Distributions
Currently distributing groceries on Thursdays only, from 9:11:45 a.m. and 2-4:45 p.m. To receive these grocery bags you must send an email to utafoodpantry@gmail.com to request a pickup time. Include student name, last four digits of UTA ID, requested grocery pickup time, choice of vegetarian, chicken, or any meat groceries.

If you have any questions or content suggestion for the newsletter, please contact Tuesday Darling: tbd2290@mavs.uta.edu

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“Life’s most urgent question is: What are you doing for others?”
— Martin Luther King, Jr.