A Federal Judge Has Ruled DACA Unlawful

The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, commonly known as DACA, has been ruled unlawful by federal Texas judge Andrew S. Hanen of Houston. Judge Hanen, who was appointed by President George W. Bush, ruled that this program, implemented by President Barack Obama back in 2012, violated the Administrative Procedure Act by failing to seek comment from the general public, meaning that DACA “never gained status as a legally binding policy that could impose duties or obligations.”

The Biden administration is expected to appeal the ruling, but unless Congress steps in, this decision will likely go all the way to the Supreme Court. Congress is not expected to take action quickly, meaning that Dreamers will likely have to live in fear and uncertainty for some time to come. (Dreamers refer to undocumented young adults that came to the United States as children and have grown up living and working in the US.) Fortunately, these immigrants will not be immediately affected by this ruling.

Hi Everyone,

My energy levels have been a little low lately. A lot of life has happened over the summer, and I’m realizing I need a break. But, how do you have a break when you still have obligations? My advice to you is that not everything has to be done at 100%. Sometimes we put so much effort into things that don’t matter that we don’t have energy to do the things that are important to us. This is easy to do in social work. I remember taking on so many projects that I was left with little energy to focus on my Clients, when in reality they were the people that needed me most.

It’s ok to put in the minimum in some areas so you can prioritize yourself. So this is my You Matter post. I hope that the few words written today will help me with my energy and inspire you to think more about your own priorities. I challenge you all to spend this week thinking about what you can let go of so that you can take time for yourself. Maybe submit that paper when it’s “good enough” instead of perfect. Maybe spend a weekend with no plans so you can rest. Or, maybe spend some time talking to a loved one that you haven’t seen in a while. Whatever you need, do it.

I’m looking forward to posting next week when I can give you all my full focus and attention.

In the mean time, here is a picture of Fredrick, my cat:
ADVISING

• Don’t need a full advising appointment but have general questions? Join your advisor for their weekly Power Hour!

• If your advisor’s appointment schedule is full, please consider emailing them for email-advising, or attend their weekly Power Hour. Please check advising appointments every Monday when new availability opens up for the coming weeks.

   Keiana Tuesday 12:00-1:00  Click here to join the meeting
   Mark Wednesday 12:00-1:00  Click here to join the meeting
   Valerie Thursday 11:00-12:00  Click here to join the meeting

BSW Academic Advisors:
• Last names A-C: Valerie Adame – adamev@uta.edu
• Last names D-Me: Mark Frazier – mark.frazier@uta.edu
• Last names Mi-Z: Keiana Crain – keiana.green@uta.edu

FIELD PLACEMENTS

GENERAL

• All students, agencies, and Field Instructors should use this URL for InPlace: 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!

• If you are having technical difficulties with InPlace please email sswfield@uta.edu and include a screenshot of the issue.

• Field forms are available here!

• Field FAQ

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SUMMER

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FALL

• The Fall 2021 Field Application closed June 4th. No late applications will be accepted.

• Fall Field placements are currently being assigned based on the order in which field applications were submitted. If you have a question, please contact your field advisor.

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LICENSING

• If you’re in your final semester and want to get started on applying to ASWB to take the LBSW 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, held in April 2021.

• 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.

MSW ADMISSIONS

Are you graduating this semester with a 3.0 or higher and hoping to start the MSW program this fall? We accept MSW admissions on a rolling basis. The admissions calendar can be found here. If you have any questions about the process of applying to the MSW, please contact leslie.reyna@uta.edu
**Virtual Events**

**On Demand Fitness Classes**

The following classes are on-demand! Take them anytime.

- **Strength Class 1**
- **Strength Class 2**
- **Pulse Strong 1**
- **Pulse Strong 2**
- **Tabata 1**
- **Tabata 2**

**Writing Boot Camp**

- **Tuesday, March 29**
- **3:16 p.m. – 6:06 p.m.**
- **in the West Hall classrooms**
- **6710 North Central Expressway**
- **Plano, TX 75014**
- **Room: 6710M**
- **Cost: $60**

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FUNDING

Hiring Immediately! Apply Here
Seasonal Retail Team Member – Part-time University of Texas at Arlington Bookstore Department: Fall Rush Bookstore 2021 Perks - Employee discount, flexible schedule Hourly Rate of $12 Hour

Annie’s List
Annie’s List is now accepting applications for paid Fall 2021 internships. Note that this is a paid career development opportunity not associated/affiliated with the SSW Field Office and cannot be used for field hours.

Annies’ List is a political action committee whose vision is to achieve equality for women by changing the face of power in Texas. We do this by recruiting, training, and electing progressive, pro-choice women who are dedicated to advancing the self-determination, health, safety and financial security of Texas women and their families.

Application deadline: Friday, July 30th by 5:00PM CT

STAY SAFE

Expanded COVID-19 vaccine opportunities to include on-campus availability

UTA has established a partnership with OptumServe to provide all interested employees and students access to COVID-19 vaccines at a convenient on-campus location and free of charge. UTA students and employees are strongly encouraged to participate in COVID-19 vaccinations if they are able. Please visit the UTA COVID-19 Vaccination Information and Resources page to access registration links and instructions for both vaccine opportunities.

FACE MASK POLICY

UTA no longer mandates the wearing of masks on campus but continues to strongly encourage and recommend that Mavericks wear masks, particularly when inside campus buildings.

For the latest updates on UTA's response and guidelines for COVID-19, please visit the Coronavirus Information Page.

Dean Ryan’s Statement on COVID-19 Health Disparities

If you believe you have contracted COVID19, please type in 'COVID-19 Testing' and your zip code into the Texas Health and Human Services to find a testing location closest to you.

Have you tested positive? Had close contact with someone with Covid?

1. Complete mandatory reporting form
2. If needed, you can:
   • Ask professors for deadline leniency
   • Contact your USL, Program Director and/or Academic Advisor for additional support and guidance.

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 UT on App Store or Google Play

MAYS TALK 24HR CRISIS LINE
Call (817)272-8255

Visit uta.edu/caps for more information
Webinar Library
Isabella Hong, an MSW Alum, graciously compiled a list of webinar resources and a video going over the basic functioning of Teams to any who may need assistance. Special thanks to Jose B. Yerena, LCPAA, who has taken over updating the list on a weekly basis! Please note that it is necessary to ask your supervisor permission for these to count towards any required field hours.

UTA Library Accessibility
On-Demand & Live Fitness Classes

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.

SAR Center
(Formerly Office of Students with Disabilities)

UTA/Tri-C Food Pantry Distributions
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UTA Academic Calendar
Check Canvas for the MavsUnite Page!
To add please e-mail: Chantinia Chansler

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