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## WEEKLY UPDATE

January 25, 2021

### SOCIAL JUSTICE SPOTLIGHT

#### January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month!

The president declared January as National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month in 2010. Also known as modern slavery, human trafficking includes both forced labor and sex trafficking. January was chosen as the month to bring awareness to this cause because it is the same month that Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation in 1963, setting 3.1 million slaves free. Over 24 million people (including men, women, transgender individuals and children) may still be trapped in human trafficking globally. Here are four ways you can join in the fight:

1. Learn the indicators of human trafficking [here](#).
2. If you believe someone may be a victim, call the 24-hour National Human Trafficking Hotline at **1-888-373-7888**.
3. Use your social media platforms to raise awareness, using the hashtags **#endtrafficking** and **#freedomfirst**
4. Consider doing one of your research papers on this topic.

**Resource:** <https://www.state.gov/national-slavery-and-human-trafficking-prevention-month>

**420,000 VICTIMS OF  
TRAFFICKING IN THE US.  
AWARENESS IS KEY.  
PREVENTION IS CRUCIAL.**

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## ADVISING

- All academic [advising appointments](#) will be done via phone or Microsoft Teams.
- **Census date is February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Students cannot add or swap classes after this date. If you drop a course after Census date, you'll receive a grade of W on your transcript.**
- Don't need a full advising appointment but have general questions? Join your advisor for their weekly Power Hour!

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](mailto:adamev@uta.edu)
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## FIELD PLACEMENTS

- InPlace has a new URL! All students, agencies, and Field Instructors will need to use the new URL. <https://inplace.uta.edu/>
- [InPlace Training](#) and [Logbook Training](#) can be found here!
- Spring field calendar has been posted online [Spring Field Calendar](#)
- [Field forms are available here!](#)
- [Field FAQ](#)
- [Spring 2021 Field Accommodations Q&A](#)
- If you are having technical difficulties with InPlace please email [sswfield@uta.edu](mailto:sswfield@uta.edu) and include a screenshot of the issue.
- For the *Spring 2021 semester*, CSWE has extended the reduction in field hours. Therefore, UTA SSW will continue with the reduced required minimum of 204 hours for Split students and a minimum of 408 hours for Block students for the Spring semester. For further information regarding accommodations for the Spring 2021 semester, please visit the Field webpage by following this [link](#).
- Contact [Sharon Martin](#), LMSW, Field Advisor III, with any questions! You can also connect with her during her Field Power Hours every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month from 3:00-3:30. [Click here to join the meeting](#)



## SPRING COURSES

- [Course modalities](#) : More information about each modality can be found [here](#), and the modality for each course is listed in the Course Attribute column in the MyMav class search. Here are some examples:

### Online 1: Asynchronous

Course Attribute	Days & Times
ONLINE1	TBA

### Online 2- Synchronous (live virtual class during times listed)

Course Attribute	Days & Times
ONLINE2	MoWe 4:00PM - 5:20PM

### Hybrid (Combination of face-to-face to live virtual class)

Course Attribute	Days & Times
HYBRID2	TuTh 2:00PM - 3:20PM





## VIRTUAL EVENTS OF THE WEEK

### Find Your Perfect Match: MSW Specialty Info Session

Tuesday February 2nd at 6:30pm  
online via Teams  
[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Pursuing your MSW? Not sure which specialty is the best fit for you? Hear from faculty and students about the benefits of selecting each specialty:

- Aging
- Children & Families
- CAP (Community, Administration, & Policy)
- Health
- Mental Health & Substance Abuse

Attendees will have a chance to win Amazon.com gift cards!

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### Food For Thought: The Weightloss Dilemma: Why you are not losing weight

Wednesday, February  
3 at 12-1pm

Many people try diets to lose weight. Some succeed, but most do not. Why do so many people fail at losing weight? Is it all about calories? Do macros matter? Is there a diet that works better than others? Learn the truth behind weight loss, and what you can do to be successful.



## RESEARCH



[Student Research Opportunity Center](#)

## Social Work Course Guides



## FUNDING

### Cognella Cares Student Scholarship

- This program awards undergraduate students from any academic discipline with scholarships for writing essays on timely and relevant topics that impact higher education, student life, and society at large.
- To apply, submit an 800 – 1,500 word essay on one of these topics: pandemics and the future of online learning; policing, social justice, and solutions; or truth, credibility, and "fake news."
- **The deadline for submissions is 7:00 pm (CT) on February 28, 2021.** One winning essay will be selected per topic, and \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to three deserving students in March.

### Scholarships for Women Mavericks!

The Women's Alliance of the Greater Arlington Chamber will award \$17000 in academic scholarships to deserving women. Application deadline is Jan. 29.

### Part-time Bilingual Project Hope Coordinator Wanted!

**SOCIAL JUSTICE  
PEER EDUCATORS**

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN:

- MAKING A MORE EQUITABLE UTA EXPERIENCE FOR ALL
- FACILITATING WORKSHOPS FOR CLASSROOMS AND ORGANIZATIONS
- DEVELOPING PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- MAKING SOME EXTRA MONEY

Application Link:  
<https://tinyurl.com/SJPE21>

**If you answered  
YES, APPLY NOW!**

Application Closes  
01/25/21 11:59PM

For More Information Contact:  
harold.brown2@uta.edu

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- 2.5 OR HIGHER GPA
- ENROLLED AS A UTA UNDERGRADUATE OR GRADUATE STUDENT
- MUST ATTEND ALL SPRING TRAINING DATES (1/29-1/30)

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**WE'RE  
HIRING**

THE CITY OF  
FORT WORTH

ARE YOU LOOKING  
FOR A FULL TIME  
OR PART TIME  
JOB?

THE CITY OF FORT WORTH IS LOOKING FOR  
MOTIVATED INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE  
INTERESTED IN WORKING WITH KIDS, FRONT  
DESK OPERATIONS & FACILITY CLEANLINESS.



## STAY SAFE

### 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.



### Face Covering Protocol:

To create the safest possible environment on campus, UTA implemented a mandatory face-covering protocol, effective until further notice. For more information, click [here](#).

### MANAGING STRESS AND ANXIETY DURING COVID-19 UTA COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

#### THERAPIST ASSISTED ONLINE (TAO)

Visit [TAOconnect.org](https://TAOconnect.org)



#### THRIVE APP



Download "Thrive at UT" on App Store or Google Play

#### MAVS TALK 24HR CRISIS LINE

Call (817)272-8255



Visit [uta.edu/caps](https://uta.edu/caps) for more information

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## [UTA Academic Calendar](#)

## [Evidence-Based Practice Research Guide](#)


### [Licensure Information](#)

The board recently made additional changes to the TX social work licensing process. Students in their final semester can now apply directly to ASWB to take the exam, and then apply to the board for a license after passing the exam and graduating. More info can be found [here](#).

### [SAR](#)

### [Center](#)

(Formerly Office of Students with Disabilities)



**MEAL DISTRIBUTION**



Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Tarrant County will be distributing meals, food and snacks. Curbside meal distribution will occur Monday - Friday 4:00-5:30pm.

**Distribution Locations**

<b>Eastside Branch</b> 4851 Ramsey Ave Fort Worth, TX 76105	<b>Main Branch</b> 808 North Elm St. Arlington, TX 76011
<b>Marlin Branch</b> 3223 Avenue G Fort Worth, TX 76105	<b>North Branch</b> 2000 Ellis Ave Fort Worth, TX 76104
<b>Parlier Branch</b> 1500 Memphis Fort Worth, TX 76104	

**All Are Welcome!**

- Meals available to any child ages 18 years or younger (no charge for all requests)
- Meals will be distributed as long as food supplies last
- Each car is eligible to receive individual packaged meals and groceries and take to the designated location
- Meals are home prepared & packaged and will be served with each meal

**Contact Us!**

For more information or questions contact:  
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Lafayette@bgs.org

**First Come, First Served!**

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## MAVS

### talk

24 HOUR CRISIS LINE

817-272-TALK (8255)  
WWW.UTA.EDU/CAPS  
303 RANSOM HALL

## UTA

### Library

## Accessibility


Texas Health and Human Services

### COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line

If you or someone you know is feeling overwhelmed by the COVID-19 pandemic, help is available.

Speak with a mental health professional for help dealing with anxiety, depression, stress, grief or worry 24/7.

Call the toll-free COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line at **833-986-1919**.

**DREAMERS WELCOME**

**In Crisis?**  
**Text HELLO to 741741**

CRISIS TEXT LINE | Free, 24/7, Confidential

### 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.**

[Social Work Webinars List](#)

[Basic Function of Teams](#)



### 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](mailto:renthelp@tarrantcounty.com) or call [817-850-7940](tel:817-850-7940).

The Lifeline is **FREE**, confidential, and always available.

**HELP** a loved one, a friend, or yourself.

Community crisis centers answer Lifeline calls.



**NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE**  
1-800-273-TALK (8255)  
[www.suicideline.org](http://www.suicideline.org)

**Learn the Warning Signs.**

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### 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](mailto: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 Meghan Sheridan: [mls9929@mavs.uta.edu](mailto:mls9929@mavs.uta.edu)



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- William Lloyd Garrison