January 24th is National Education Day!

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On January 24th, let us celebrate National Education day!

This National celebration encourages current students to keep pursuing their education. No matter how complicated it may seem, anything is possible once you put your mind to it.

National Educational day also exposes the lack of education in different countries. Over 72 million children throughout the world are unable to access their rights of education. Throughout the 24th let us be thankful on how our right for education shaped each other! Let us understand how vital it is to help children seek a way to find free education.

For more information, CLICK HERE!
YOU MATTER
New Year, New You

This is a new year within the month of January. There are many people throughout the world who would like to better themselves in 2023. It could be by going to the gym, learning a new hobby, improve on a situation, being aware of mental health, etc.

Many individuals expect change within a short time frame without giving it a chance. And so, many fail before a month or so end. Therefore, finding reachable goals is very important to seek in order to find change.

In the past, I’ve discussed how attitude play a huge role within the personality of oneself. Remember, your attitude reflects who you are. The way you dress; the way you speak to others; the way of your friends and your relationship with significant others depends on your personality.

Therefore, if you have a negative attitude, one major goal of yours is to change it to a positive attitude! With a positive attitude, you will be able to accomplish many things throughout this year. The only one that is holding you back is yourself!

What is your new resolution for 2023?

Warm Regards,
Andwelah Givens
BSW Student, undergraduate Student Leader, The University of Texas at Arlington
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.

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.
- Interested in the LCDC? Scroll to the end of this Licensing 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

Did you know that if you pursue your MSW at UTA within 6 years of graduating with your BSW, you can finish your Masters in as fast as 1 year? 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

FIELD PLACEMENT Summer 23

- 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.
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- Field forms are available here!
- Field FAQ
- Contact Sharon Martin, LMSW, Field Advisor, with any questions! You can also connect with her during her Field Power Hours every 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month from 3:00-3:30. Click here to join the meeting

Important Dates

Spring 2023
- Feb. 1st – Field Applications OPEN
- Feb. 1st- Census Date
- March 13th-17th Spring Break
- March 31st- Last day to drop classes; submit requests to advisor prior to 4:00pm
- March 31st Field Applications Closed
- April 23rd- Registration begins for Summer 2023 & Fall 2023.
- May 2nd- Last day of classes
- May 12th: Grades Due

- The Summer 2023 Field Application will be open Feb. 01 – March. 31st, 2023. These dates are subject to change. See the full Summer 2023 Field Education Calendar here.
**Job Opportunities**

**Statewide Child Protective Investigator Virtual Career Fair**

**Same Day Interviews**

**January 24, 25 and 26, 2023**

Please RSVP: https://www.dfps.state.tx.us/Jobs/job_fairs.asp

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**The YWCA Support Group**

**YWCA Greater Austin is here to support you!**

**Counseling and Referral Center & Care Coordination**

- Mental Health Therapy
- Trauma Resolution
- Parenting Resources
- Mental Health & Professional Development Consultations
- Non-crisis Warmline: Call (512) 548-YWCA (9622)

*All services currently offered through telehealth*

(512) 326-1222
info@ywcaustin.org
YWCAustin.org

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**Health with Heart Has Open Postions!!**

We are currently looking for a Vice President and Secretary for the Student Organization. This is for MSW Health Concentration and BSW Students with and interest in the Health Concentration.

Please contact Brianna Martinez-Rutiga at brianna.martinez2@mavs.uta.edu for more information.
BSW Degree Plan

Check out the BSW and BSSUT Degree Plan: Your degree plan is one of the best ways to help you stay on track toward your college goals. Your degree plan can help you plan future semesters more efficiently and communicate with your advisor. You can reference the degree plans to check if you have taken your required courses.

Interested in the BSSUT program? Want to minor in SUT? The BSSUT degree plan details the required courses for this degree. If you have additional questions about this degree click HERE!

The Powwow Community

The chance to volunteer at the Powwow event is a wonderful opportunity for educators, students, and community members to actively engage with and serve the local Native American community. Additionally, it will be a wonderful opportunity to experience a Powwow, one of our most important social-cultural events.

-May 18 2023
27th Annual UTA Scholarship Benefit Powwow

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Learn about Native American Culture while helping the community
When: March 18
Where: UTA MAC

If you are interested please email Stephen Silve Brave @sjs9624@mevs.utd.edu

The UTA National Native American Student Association
Upcoming Events within UTA

Study Abroad: Kenya

Program Overview:
- Interactive Learning
- Train with 3 experts in the field
- Earn 3 Course Credits
- Taught at UTA and in Kenya
- Meets most UTA degree plans
- Enhance understanding of education in international context

Eligibility:
Must be a UTA Student
Must be in good Judicial Standing

Program Date:
Summer 2023

Application Deadline:
March 2023

Highlights:
- Visit the Kibera slums; Largest slum in Africa and 3rd largest in the world
- Explore the Thriving Tsavo National Park
- Experience the City of Nairobi

Estimated Costs:
- Housing & Meals
- Training & Tuition
- HealthCare
- Airfare/Transportation

Program Leaders:
Dr. Richard Olurin
richard@uta.edu

Ms. Kasha Mwasha
kasha.mwasha@uta.edu

Ms. Tracy Ogung
tracy.ogung@uta.edu

CoCE Kenya

Faculty/Community Partner Service Learning Networking Social

Interact-Learn-Share

Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2023
4:00-6:50pm
Trinity Hall, Room 104

RSVP
Open to UTA Faculty/Staff and Non-Profit Agencies

Center for Service Learning

ANDREW MARKS STUDENT ADVOCACY AWARD

NOMINATIONS DUE February 20, 2023

PREJ: $100 Gift Card for BSW and MSW winners

Winners announced on Social Work Advocacy Day, March 3, 2023!

SOCIAL WORK ADVOCACY DAY (SWAD) 2023

Save the date!

March 3, 2023
Texas State Capitol
@naswtx_advocacy
naswtx.naswtx@socialworkers.org
UTA First-Gen College Education Series
Thursday, January 26th - 12pm-1pm
University Center, Red River

UTA First-Generation Student Initiatives is excited to announce the UTA First-Gen College Education Series which will provide first-gen students with additional support to better navigate the college environment.

Join us for the opportunity to interact and engage with topics surrounding:
- Financial Literacy
- Academic Success Tips
- Career Planning
- Campus Involvement
- School & Work-Life Balance

If you need accommodations to participate, please contact the Department of Transition Programs & Services at 817-272-7130 at least 3 days prior to the event.

R E S O U R C E S

UTA Academic Calendar
Evidence-Based Practice Research Guide

KNOW YOUR STATUS
No cost & confidential HIV testing
CALL OR TEXT TO SETUP AN APPOINTMENT!
PHONE: 682-478-6965
EMAIL: TYLER8@MHHRTC.ORG

RESOURCES

UTA Academic Calendar
Evidence-Based Practice Research Guide

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

THERAPIST ASSISTED ONLINE (TAO)
Visit TAOconnect.org

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

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

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 Maria Cruz mxc5965@mavs.uta.edu

SAR Center
(Formerly Office of Students with Disabilities)

“We Make A Living By What We Get, But We Make A Life By What We Give.”
- Winston Churchill