



BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN SUBSTANCE
USE TREATMENT



WEEKLY UPDATE
February 28, 2022

SOCIAL JUSTICE SPOTLIGHT

International Women’s Day
February 8th

This Tuesday, on March 8th, we celebrate International Women’s Day. This day is recognized to honor the achievements and progress of women around the world. It also helps bring awareness to gender inequality and fundraising for women-focused charities. The 2022 theme is #BreakTheBias, which has us envision a world that is free from bias and discrimination and where everything is inclusive and diverse.

History

The history of International Women’s Day starts in 1908 when 15,000 women garment workers protested working conditions in New York. A year later, America celebrated its first National Women’s Day. In 1910, Clara Zetkin was attending the International Conference of Working Women in Copenhagen and suggested an International Women’s Day since 17 countries were represented there. It was unanimously approved.

Ways to Celebrate

- Donate to non-profits that benefit women
- Educate yourself about women rights
- Advocate for gender equality at your workplace
- Support women owned businesses
- Show your support on social media with #BreakTheBias

Source: <https://www.internationalwomensday.com/>



TABLE OF CONTENTS	
Page 1.....	Social Justice Spotlight
Page 2.....	BSSUT Spotlight, Career Opportunity, Important Dates
Page 3.....	Advising, Field Placements, Licensing, MSW Admissions
Page 4.....	Get Involved
Page 5.....	Events
Page 6.....	Research, Stay Safe

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Join Our Team

Working in Your Community
to Build and Strengthen Families

Who we are

- Child Protective Investigations
- Child Protective Services
- Adult Protective Services
- Child Care Investigations
- Human Service Technicians
- Administrative Assistants

What we do

- Protect children
- Protect adults who are elderly or have disabilities
- Manage community-based programs that prevent delinquency, abuse, neglect, and the exploitation of children and youth

WHAT WE OFFER

- 100% employer-paid healthcare
- Health and wellness programs
- Retirement planning
- Tuition reimbursement
- Promotional opportunities
- Holiday / annual / sick leave
- Paid classroom and field training



We can change
everything together.



Be Essential.
Make a Difference.



IMPORTANT DATES

SPRING 2022

- **March 14- 20th** – Spring Break
- **March 21st** – First day of 2nd-8 week session
- **April 1st** – Last day to drop from regular session by 4PM
- **April 4th** – Registration Begins for Summer and Fall
- **April 26th** – Last day to drop from 2nd-8 week sessions
- **May 3rd** – Last day of classes
- **May 12 – 14th** – Commencement Ceremonies

BSSUT SPOTLIGHT

The Bachelor of Science in Substance Use & Treatment (BSSUT) “The degree will use a multidisciplinary approach to understand the biological, psychological and social aspects of substance misuse,” said Scott Ryan, dean of the School of Social Work. “Its curriculum for assessment and treatment methods for substance misuse are based on evidence-informed and research-supported practices that will enable students and future professionals to understand and treat individuals, families, groups and communities while preparing graduates for careers in this field.”

Continue reading [here](#)

David Waters

david.waters@uta.edu

Dr. Allison Tomlinson, PhD, LCSW-S

allison.tomlinson@uta.edu

For more info and FAQ's [Click Here](#)

Degree Progress Worksheet [Click Here](#)

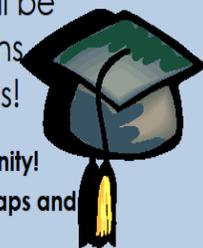
Grad Finale-Save the Date!

Order/purchase regalia and Jostens Representatives will be taking orders for Invitations, Announcements, & Rings!

A one stop shopping opportunity!
Early Bird pricing for regalia (caps and gowns begin)

Tues, March 22nd– Thurs, March 24th
UTA Bookstore
400 Spaniolo Drive

Announcements, Invitations, & rings can be ordered online at
www.jostens.com





ADVISING

- Need to meet with your 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.
- **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.

BSW Academic Advisors:

- Valerie Adame – adamev@uta.edu
- Sabrina Earle – sabrina.earle@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](#)
- **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](#)

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.

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**

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



GET INVOLVED

Weekly Virtual Support Group Schedule		
Tuesday	Thursday	Saturday
Parenting During a Pandemic 6pm – 7pm	COVID and Caregiver 6pm – 7pm	First Generation and International Students' Success 9:00am – 10:00am
Promoting Healthy Habits 7:15pm – 8:15pm	Women's Virtual Room of Recovery 7:15pm – 8:15pm	Accommodating for Success 10:15am – 11:15am
TBD		Building Better Interpersonal Relationships 11:30am – 12:30pm
Military Women Empowerment Group		
Men's Virtual Room of Recovery		
Active Duty, Deployed Guard and Reserve Group		

Email SSWVirtualClinic@uta.edu for information



STUDENTS FOR GLOBAL CHANGE (SGC)

Interested in making an impact regarding social injustices? Advocate for social issues? Join Students for Global Change (SGC) to start making an impact!!

MEETS EVERY 3RD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH | 5-6 PM | TEAMS VIRTUAL MEETINGS EVERYBODY'S WELCOME!

To participate, please register:
<https://forms.gle/8nHefgf53iB1EXqa9>

Follow us @SGCUTA - Students for Global Change
Email us at sgc.uta@gmail.com



Make it happen!

Be a part of our special team of Encompass Hospice Volunteers. We care for our patients in the place they call home – a private residence, skilled nursing facility, or assisted living facility. Just a few hours a week can make a lasting impact on the lives of others.

Volunteer Opportunity:
Direct Patient Care - Sitting with patients, reading, working puzzles, watching tv/movies and sharing life stories. Your time may also include Caregiver Respite where you will visit with the patient while the caregiver runs errands, takes time for themselves, or goes to appointments.

REQUIREMENTS:
Reliable Transportation
Must be at least 17 years old
Orientation with Volunteer Coordinator
Volunteer a minimum of 2 hours per week
Covid Vaccine
Background Check, Drug Test, TB skin Test
(All provided at no charge to you)

"Volunteers comfort with their presence. One does not need to know all the right words to say but the ability to just be present."
-DINA PAVAN

If you are interested in this wonderful volunteer opportunity, please email Susan Tomlin at susan.tomlin@encompasshealth.com



MAVERICK PANTRY

Please help stock up the new Maverick Pantry!
Donating any of the items below would be greatly appreciated.

- Pasta
- Pasta sauce
- Peanut butter & jelly
- Rice
- Beans
- Instant oatmeal
- Granola bars
- Dried fruit
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruits
- Canned proteins
- Shelf stable milk
- Feminine / period products
- Toiletries

Drop off donations to the Dean of Students Office, Lower Level of the UC, B150.

To schedule donation drop-off by vehicle, email EAF@uta.edu. We will gladly meet you in front of the UC to receive donations from your car.

#CommunityThatCares

INTERESTED IN MACRO SOCIAL WORK?



STUDENT ASSOCIATION FOR MACRO SOCIAL WORK
JOIN SAMSW FOR OUR PEER SUPPORT MEETINGS ON THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH!
[CLICK HERE](#) OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO JOIN.



FEBRUARY 7 | MARCH 7 | APRIL 4
5:30 - 6:30 PM
MICROSOFT TEAMS

get your team INVOLVED



WE HAVE A **PLAN** FOR YOUR CALENDAR

BRING A GROUP UPCOMING EVENTS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fall Carnival: October 30, 2021 - Thanksgiving Grocery Giveaway: November 20, 2021 - Christmas Giveaway: December 18, 2021 - Spring Carnival: March 12, 2022 - Easter Basket Giveaway: April 16, 2022 <p>Which event can you see yourself at?</p>	HOST A DRIVE WE HAVE A NEED FOR: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Candy - Groceries - Coats - Christmas Toys - Small Toys and Trinkets - Easter Eggs and Candy - Easter Baskets <p>This covers all the materials needed for the rest of our events! Which need can you fill?</p>	JOIN A CAMP SUMMER AND SPRING BREAK: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spring Break Camp: March 13 to March 16, 2022 - Summer Camp: June and July of 2022 <p>Join camp for a day or a week, which works best for you? Either way, book your dates today, they fill up quick!</p>
---	--	--

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

LEARN A NEW ADVOCACY SKILL WITH SPEAK & SKILLSHARE!

IT'S FREE!



CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE

[Click Here for more info](#)



EVENTS

Meet the Faces of HealthCare Social Workers



Join the Health with Hearts Student organization as we hear from two recent UTA MSW graduates now working in Healthcare.

Laurel Ball at Lifeline Health

Vidhya Krishnan at Dell Children's Hospital

When: Thursday, March 31 @ 7pm

Where: TEAMS meeting link on Health with Hearts Team channel

Contact: Diana.DiCesare@mavs.uta.edu

Topics Covered: Getting licensed, types of health SW jobs, how to get a great job, what do health SW do in different areas of healthcare, advice from recent grads, what surprises can you anticipate, and self-care in the real world

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

https://teams.microsoft.com/j/1/meetup-join/19%3ameeting-NTM4MDgyMTktY2PhNi00MDZlLTKyODktZmUz-M2JjYjNIY2M0%40thread_v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%225cdc5b43-d7be-4caa-8173-729e3b0a62d9%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22d633e156-63ed-4ca2-8e81-d48afa65e64c%22%7d



COMMUNITIES COLLABORATING
FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

MARCH 24 & 25
OMNI CORPUS CHRISTI HOTEL

900 N SHORELINE BLVD, CORPUS CHRISTI

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.](#)

Grad Finale-Save the Date!

Order/purchase regalia and Jostens Representatives will be taking orders for Invitations, Announcements, & Rings!

A one stop shopping opportunity!

Early Bird pricing for regalia (caps and gowns begin)

Tues, March 22nd- Thurs, March 24th

UTA Bookstore
400 Spaniolo Drive

Announcements, Invitations, & rings can be ordered online at

www.iostens.com





RESEARCH

[Social Work
Course Guides](#)

[Student Research
Opportunity
Center](#)

Research Study on the Impact of COVID-19 on Latina Dreamers

- Are you a female DACA participant (Dreamer)?
- Are you currently enrolled in a 4-year college or university in Texas?
- Are you interested in discussing how COVID-19 has impacted different areas of your life?

If you answered "yes" to these questions, then you may be eligible to participate in a confidential research study exploring the experiences of Latina Dreamers during COVID-19.

If you are interested, please go to the link below or scan the QR code to complete the online screening.

https://uhsocialwork.co.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b7qcSovhSvYKIm



If you are eligible you will be contacted within 48 hours by a member of the study team about scheduling an interview that will be conducted by Zoom. Your total time of participation will be about 90 minutes and you will receive a \$50 Amazon gift card for your time. Please feel free to share this link with friends/colleagues who may be interested in participating. Funding for this study was provided by the University of Texas at Arlington Center for Mexican American Studies (CMAS) Faculty Fellowship Program.

If you have any questions about this study, please contact the PI of our research team, Dr. Micki Washburn at Micki.Washburn@uta.edu or at 832-498-14015. This project has been approved by the UTA Internal Review Board (IRB). For questions about your rights or to report a complaint, contact the UTA Research Office at 817-272-3723 or regulatoryservices@uta.edu



STAY SAFE

COVID-19 Testing



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](#).

UTA's COVID-19 testing resources are always available to you should you need or want a test.

Covid-19 Vaccine

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.](#)

[Required COVID-19 testing and new protective measures for Spring 2022 \(English and Español\) \(uta.edu\)](#)
Classroom density, updated info from university on testing and return to campus



Connections Tutoring Lab
UTA School of Social Work

NOW OPEN

Schedule a 30 minute session with a writing tutor!



Book your session [HERE!](#)

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/UTASWConnectionsLab@mavs.uta.edu/bookings/>

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

KNOW YOUR STATUS

No cost & confidential HIV testing

CALL OR TEXT TO SETUP AN APPOINTMENT!

PHONE: 882-478-6905
EMAIL: TYLER@HMRCTC.ORG

Dean Ryan's [Statement on COVID-19 Health Disparities](#)



UTA Academic Calendar

Evidence-Based Practice Research Guide



Check Canvas for the MavsUnite Page!
To add please e-mail:
[Emily Clark](mailto:Emily.Clark@uta.edu)

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 UT" on App Store or Google Play

MAVS TALK 24HR CRISIS LINE

Call (817)272-8255



Visit uta.edu/caps for more information

UTA is a... COMMUNITY THAT CARES



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

Our Services

Peer-Led Team Learning (PLTL)
Ready and group study workshops are offered to support...
PLTL is free for students but requires registration requested during first week of classes.

Supplemental Instruction (SI)
SI is a program designed to help students who are struggling in...
SI is free for students but requires registration requested during first week of classes.

Tutoring
Tutoring is available for all registered students...
Tutoring is free for students but requires registration requested during first week of classes.

Academic Coaching
Academic Coaching helps students identify their strengths and weaknesses...
Academic Coaching is free for students but requires registration requested during first week of classes.

TRIO Student Support Services
TRIO Student Support Services is a program designed to help...
TRIO Student Support Services is free for students but requires registration requested during first week of classes.

Information for Students

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON
COUNSELING & PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

MAVS talk

24 HOUR CRISIS LINE

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

UTA Library Accessibility

On-Demand & Live Fitness Classes

Rental Assistance Program

The [Tarrant County Rental Assistance Program](http://tarrantcounty.com) assists residents who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. For more details, email 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)
suicidpreventionlifeline.org

Learn the Warning Signs.

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

