Social Justice Spotlight

Sexual Assault Awareness Month
and SAAM Day of Action

During the month of April, we bring a voice to those victimized by sexual abuse and violence. During this month, the mission is to educate prevention and bring awareness to sexual violence around the world. During this month, you can wear teal to honor survivors.

April 5th (the first Tuesday of April) is the SAAM Day of Action. On this day, we start the month off with public and organized actions.

Statistics about sexual assault in the US

- Every 98 seconds, an American is sexually assaulted.
- Nearly 1 in 5 women in the United States have experienced rape (or attempted rape) at one point in their lives.
- 1 in 67 men in the United States have experienced rape (or attempted rape) at one point in their lives.
- Only 5 out of every 1,000 perpetrators will end up in prison (which is why it is important to speak out if this happens to you).
- The majority of sexual assaults happen at or near the victim’s home, often by someone they know and/or trust.
- Health care is 16% higher for women who were sexually abused as children.
- Rape is the most under-reported crime; 63% of sexual assaults are not reported.

Source: https://www.nsvrc.org/saam/day-of-action
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.”

For more info and FAQ’s Click Here

Degree Progress Worksheet  Click Here

The Big Event is UTA’s biggest day of community service! On April 9th, 2022, The Big Event is hosting forty community service projects across the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. Service projects with run from 9am - 1pm. Afterwards, all volunteers are welcome to attend the Thank You Celebration in the West Mall from 1pm-3pm where there will be complimentary lunch, entertainment, and activities!

Volunteer registration can be found here: https://signup.com/go/gVJRAXt.

If you need any accommodations in order to participate in The Big Event, please contact us at thebigevent@uta.edu or at 817-272-2963.
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 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.

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

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.
The School of Social Work Virtual Clinic
Need additional support? The School of Social Work Virtual Clinic offers FREE services. Support groups are offered virtually, weekly to BSW students. Please email SSWVirtualClinic@uta.edu for more information.

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
**EVENTS**

**Lavender Graduation**
April 19th - 6:00PM - Rio Grande

It's time to celebrate the UTA Graduates in Spring 2023 who identify as LGBTQ+. This is a celebration that family, friends, and supporters can come to recognize the students that have succeeded and overcome any barriers that have come their way.

Students can fill out the form to RSVP for the event: [https://forms.office.com/r/3bbMjS9m8e](https://forms.office.com/r/3bbMjS9m8e)

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**Statewide Adult Protective Services in Home Worker Virtual Career Fair**

**Same Day Interviews**
April 14th, 2022
For more information on how to RSVP, visit: [www.dfps.state.tx.us/jobs/job_fairs.asp](http://www.dfps.state.tx.us/jobs/job_fairs.asp)

**Who we are**
- We are strong
- We are flexible
- We are driven
- We are dedicated
- We love to be helpful

**What we do**
- Assist the elderly, adults with disabilities, or people who are unable to perform tasks due to a disability
- Participate in family planning
- Provide safety and well-being at home

**WHAT WE OFFER**
- 100% employment post-interview
- Health and wellness programs
- On-site fieldwork
- Option for a temporary position
- Professional development
- Work experience - 30 weeks
- Pay rise in accordance with performance

**Join Our Team**
Working in Your Community to Build and Strengthen Families

**Be Essential. Make a Difference.**

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**THE FACE OF TRAUMA**

**Presented by the Children & Families Committee & Title IV-E Program**

**8 April 2022**
9AM - 12PM
VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

Discuss strategies to increase resilience for clients and children who have experienced trauma

**INTERESTED IN ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE?**

Professor Karen Magruder will be joining the Social Work Council virtually to share information pertaining to environmental justice.

Join us, April 6th at 5:00pm thru Microsoft Teams.

[utassocialworkcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:utassocialworkcouncil@gmail.com)

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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.
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

**MAVS TALK 24HR CRISIS LINE**
Call (817)272-8295

**NOW OPEN**
SCHEDULE A 50 MINUTE SESSION WITH A WRITING TUTOR!
Book your session HERE!

**Connections Tutoring Lab**
UTA School of Social Work

**In Crisis? Text HELLO to 741741**

**DREAMERS WELCOME**

**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.

**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

"The price of inaction is far greater than the cost of making a mistake."
— Meister Eckhart