On July 4th, 1778, the Declaration of Independence of the United States was signed, thereby announcing the colonies' separation from Great Britain. On this day, it marked the beginning of America's Independence and has been known as America's Birthday. Today, the Fourth of July is one of the biggest celebrated federal holidays in the country. With a tradition of wearing red, blue, or white to represent the colors of the American flag, many come together to celebrate the historic achievement by hosting parades, fairs, concerts, and carnivals for the community. The most anticipated part of the Fourth of July is the fireworks displays at the end of the day. As we celebrate the day, it is also a recognizable day to pay tribute to those who fought or are fighting for our country. Independence Day is a day to reflect on the hardships we have overcome and faced through the years as a country.
As we continue through the semester, we may become occupied with many situations. Whether it be work, school or personal reasons, remember that the journey is not a sprint, but a marathon. You may experience challenging times along the way, however, those moments can teach us valuable lessons. We encourage you to take this journey step by step and constantly remind yourself that YOU MATTER.

You have power over your mind
Our biggest enemy is ourselves
Understanding your potential
Mistakes are lessons in life
Attitude determines your altitude
Take the risk or loose the chance
There is no elevators to success, you must take the stairs.
Embrace your mistakes
Regret is forever, fear is temporary

Keep focus on the goals that you set for yourself. Each goal that you achieve is a foundation for the bigger picture.
**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 [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](mailto:leslie.reyna@uta.edu)

**Important Dates**

**Summer 2023**

- July 3rd No classes
- July 4th Independence Day & No classes
- July 21st Last day to drop
- August 10th Last day of class

**FIELD PLACEMENT Summer 23**

- All students, agencies, and Field Instructors should use this URL for InPlace: [https://inplace.uta.edu/](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](mailto: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](#)
**Upcoming Events**

**Opioid Endemic & Sex Trafficking Awareness in Rural Texas**

Guest speakers will discuss the opioid endemic during the event's morning sessions and sex trafficking in rural Texas during afternoon sessions.

**JULY 21, 2023**
8 am - 4pm
SEIR Building, Room 194

For any questions, contact the Center for Rural Health and Nursing at crhn@uta.com

**Registration**
Limited to 100 in-person attendees. The first 50 participants from rural communities to register will be sponsored to attend.

Participants must attend the full day to receive contact hours.

Virtual attendance available.

**Click here to register now!**

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**YOU'RE INVITED**

**CRIP CAMP**

A Disability Revolution

**THURSDAY**

**July 27th**

**Food will be served!**

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**Join us for our GSL led YOGA SESSION**

**DATE:** THURSDAY | JULY 06

**TIME:** 7:30PM - 8:30PM

**MEETING LINK:** HTTPs://TINYURL.COM/GSL-YOGA-MEETING

Scan here to join!

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**Deaf Coffee Chat**

**Last Thursday of every month**

5:00pm - 7:00pm

**Second Sunday of every month**

3:00pm - 8:00pm

**LOCATION:**

Inclusion Coffee
101 E Abram St #110
Arlington, TX 76010

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Are you looking for scholarship opportunities?

You've come to the right place!

1. Enter this link into your browser: https://buff.ly/3qWM5AS
2. Login with your UTA credentials.
3. Find a scholarship you may be a good candidate for and apply!

For more info click here for MavTemp

Summer & Fall Course Spotlight

Environmental Justice & Green Social Work
Fall 2023

How do pollution & climate change impact vulnerable communities? What can social workers do about it?

Topics include:
- Environmental Racism
- Ecological issues for children, older adults, women, and low-income populations
- Climate-forced Migration
- Natural Disaster Response
- Health & The Environment
- Ecotherapy for Mental Health
- Environmental Policy
- Micro and Macro Level Advocacy Strategies

Course:
SOCW 3310/5310
Environmental Justice & Green Social Work

Modality:
Online- Asynchronous (with recorded lectures and optional live sessions)

Instructor:
Karen Magruder, LCSW-S
Assistant Professor of Practice
karen.magruder@uta.edu
Volunteers Opportunities

ATTENTION BSW STUDENTS!

THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK IS RECRUITING UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT LEADERS (USLS) VOLUNTEERS FOR FALL 2023!

JOIN OUR TEAM

• WORK DIRECTLY WITH BSW PROGRAM DIRECTORS
• SERVE AS ADVOCATES AND COMMUNICATION FACILITATORS FOR BSW STUDENTS
• CONNECT STUDENTS TO SERVICES AND RESOURCES

DEADLINE: AUGUST 11TH

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STUDENT ADVOCATES FOR WELL-BEING

Become a WELL-BEING ADVOCATE!

About Us
Student Advocates for Well-Being is a group of undergraduate and graduate students who use their voice to amplify student issues and concerns regarding health and well-being topics to UTA administration.

Experience You Will Gain
• Public speaking
• Data collection and analysis
• Writing a white paper
• Advocacy
• Leadership
• Group development

Commitment
• No dues or fundraising
• Attend general body meetings
• Maintain membership for two consecutive semesters
• Work within a subcommittee

For more information Click Here or may contact Anna Fagan
My name is Traecia Nichols, I am the Student Success Coordinator for the School of Social Work. In my role I work with students who are facing crises and need help accessing university and community resources. This section will consist of resources that are available to you as a student. If you need anything of resources or have any questions or concerns, please contact me at traecia.nichols@uta.edu

Sincerely,
Traecia

WEBINARS ON SOCIAL WORK WRITING (GUIDE)
- Write that policy paper
- Write that case study
- APA Style for Social Work
- Professional writing for field. CLICK HERE.

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MAC SUMMER HOURS (JUNE 5 - AUGUST 19)
MONDAY - FRIDAY 6 AM - 10 PM
SATURDAY CLOSED
SUNDAY 2 PM - 10 PM

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

If you have any questions or content suggestion for the newsletter, please contact Tamika Hayes TXC9187@MAVS.UTA.EDU