



SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK THE WORLD TALKS ABOUT UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS CHANGE; WE CREATE CHANGE.

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SOCIAL JUSTICE SPOTLIGHT

July 26 is National Disability Independence Day!

On July 26, 1990, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was signed into law by George H.W Bush. The ADA National Network recognizes this landmark event and the important work to promote equal opportunity for people with disabilities. This law broke down barriers that people with disabilities were facing everyday. Changes that came along were to improve the safety and mobility of a person. This year ADA turns 32 years old!

How to Observe

- Share Your #ThanksToTheADA Moment on Social Media
- Read the history of the ADA here!
- Take ADA Trainings (Trainings are available in-person, webcast, and online) Click here to find out how!
- Get inspired, read about Ed Roberts, who was a leader in disability rights!



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Sources: https://adata.org/ada-

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Get to know our Student Leaders!

Meet Katie Murrillo

Hello! My name is Katie Murillo (they/them), and this is my first semester serving as a USL. I am a transfer student and am currently in my senior year of the BSW program with plans to enter the MSW program Spring 2023.

I am interning at UTA's Relationship
Violence and Sexual Assault Prevention
program for my field placement, and I hope
to eventually work in the field of survivor
advocacy once I receive my license. My
passion for social justice and my
intersecting identities as a Latinx nonbinary
lesbian have informed the ways in which I
navigate society and have played a large
role in why I chose social work. Outside of
academia, I love to spend time with friends,
play video games, and spend time with my
cat! I'm honored to serve as a USL and
foster community and create connections
with my peers!

YOU MATTER



What is Living Mindfully?

Hello everyone, my name is Olga Carrillo. I am an MSW Foundation student, and honestly, I'm trying my best to juggle a work- school- sleep balance. This semester has been a tough one to readjust myself to only doing online courses and finding the time to implement self-care habits into my routine while finishing all my to-do list. The best advice I give myself those days "is to be kind to yourself". I say this because you wouldn't tell your friends they aren't doing enough or criticize them harshly, especially when they look like they've had a tough day.

I think we often forget that we are human, and the simplicity in that is we aren't perfect whatsoever. We were born to make mistakes and grow from them. The key element to this is **perspective** and how a person's point of view can either limit what they see or helps them overcome obstacles. This is when I discovered what is "living mindfully" and being self aware of one's actions, especially when needing to reach out for help.

Something I'd love to share with you all

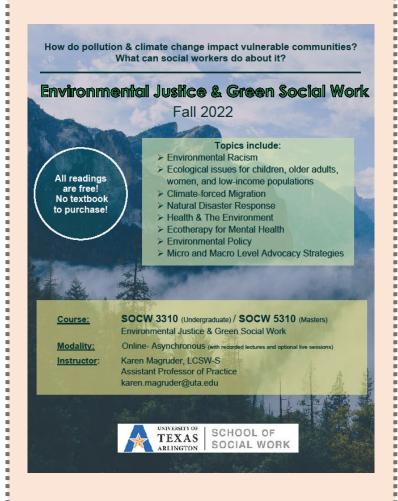
I was listening to a podcast by "Savvy Psychologists", Host Dr. Monica Johnson. It's titled, "5 Building Blocks of Mindfulness". Here she says that there is so much power in perspective. She says If we continously tell ourselves we are nothing, then you will shrink to match the reality you've created", in other words these are faulty interprétations of our reality.

What do you think living mindfully means?

Interested in writing your own "YOU MATTER" section for others? Email: Olga.carrillo@mavs.uta.edu

Sources: https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-savvy-psychologists-quick-and-dirty-tips-for/id803978236

COURSE SPOTLIGHT



IMPORTANT DATES

SUMMER 2022

- August 10 Last Day of Classes
- August 13 Graduation Reception (See flyer in events on page 5!)
- August 13 Commencement Ceremonies
- August 22

 First day of Fall classes
- September 5 -- Labor Day Holiday
- September 7- Census Date
- Oct. 28-- Last day to drop classes; submit requests to advisor prior to 4:00pm

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

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For more info and FAQ's Click Here

Degree Progress Worksheet Click Here



- 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:

- Sabrina Earle <u>sabrina.earle@uta.edu</u>
- Kyleigh Easter- kyleigh.easter@uta.edu

LICENSING

- If you're in your final semester and want to get started on applying to ASWB to take the LBSW licensing exam, <u>click here</u> to request the Dean's Letter for Licensure, which UTA will send to ASWB. More info can be found <u>on the ASWB site</u> and our <u>SSW licensure page</u>.
- 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
 <u>Licensure</u> 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 doloresbevins@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.
- <u>InPlace Training</u> and <u>Logbook Training</u> can be found here!
- If you are having technical difficulties with InPlace please email <u>sswfield@uta.edu</u> and include a screenshot of the issue.
- Field forms are available here!
- Field FAQ
- Contact <u>Sharon Martin</u>, <u>LMSW</u>, <u>Field Advisor</u>, <u>with any questions</u>! You can also connect with her during her Field Power Hours every 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month from 3:00-3:30.
 <u>Click here to join the meeting</u>

Fall 2022

- The Fall 2022 Field Application is now open.
- Application Deadline is June 24, 2022.
- See the Summer 2022 Field Education Calendar for Block and for Split here.

InPlace fee is due on the first day of class

Spring 2023

- The Spring 2023 Field Application is open October 03, 2022.
- Application deadline is November 25, 2022
- See the Spring 2023 Field Education Calendar for Block and for Split <u>here.</u>

InPlace fee is due on the first day of class



GET INVOLVED

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.











EVENTS



UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON
School of Social Work
Invites you and your family to a

Graduation Reception

in recognition of your outstanding student achievements

Saturday, August 13, 2022 11:00 am-1:30 pm (come & go) School of Social Work Building B, Room 107 211 S. Cooper St., Arlington, TX 76019

Please join us for sandwiches and refreshments prior to the 3:00 pm Commencement Ceremony!

Maverick FRIENDzy

This high-energy, interactive event is the perfect way to make new friends (or reconnect with old ones) at UTA. Pizza and drinks will be provided to participants following the event. A great way for transfer and off-campus students to meet new.friends. Open to all Mavericks!

O. Tuesday, August 23 at 4:00pm to 5:30pm

Brazos Park

601 S. West St., Arlington, Texas 76010



ACADEMIC **OPPORTUNITIES**

IPE Distinction Certificate

Interprofessional education (IPE) is "when students from two or more professions learn about, from and with each other" (WHO, 2010).

Have you participated in IPE activities while attending UTA?

Want to be recognized for your hard work?

Apply for an IPE Distinction Certificate!

REQUIREMENTS:

- MUST HAVE COMPLETED AT LEAST TWO IPE ACTIVITIES WHILE ATTENDING UTA
- MUST BE ABLE TO DISCUSS THE IPE ACTIVITIES IN WHICH. YOU PARTICIPATED
- SUBMIT A COPY OF YOUR RESUME THAT INCLUDES THE IPE ACTIVITIES
- . SUBMIT AN EXAMPLE COVER LETTER EXPLAINING HOW IPE HAS HELPED YOU TO PREPARE FOR A 10B

To fill out an application **CLICK HERE!**

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE: July 15, 2022

Questions? Contact: Professor Tracy Orwig tracy.orwig@uta.edu

Introducing the 1st Annual

SOCIAL WORK AND LAW

National Symposium

Strengthening Pathways and Partnerships to Advance Empowerment, Justice, and Change

ONE DAY VIRTUAL EVENT

FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The 1st Annual Social Work and Law National Symposium exists to harness energy, passion, and wisdom to advance the field of forensic social work and the capacity of forensic social work of practitioners. This is a future forward event bringing together educators, researchers, community practitioners, justice-oriented leaders, and students for synergistic learning collaborations.

We seek dynamic presenters to lead engaging workshops and interactive discussions focused on advancing knowledge, skills, and abilities around forensic social work practice including the intersection of social work and law as related to this year's theme, "Strengthening Pathways and Partnerships to Advance Empowerment, Justice, and Change."

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF PROPOSAL IS JUNE 15, 2022 See attached for submission instructions.

FOR INQUIRIES AND PROPOSAL SUBMISSION:

CALL FOR EXHIBITORS

Exhibition for the Social Work and Law Symposium is a virtual platform to provide information about an advocacy campaign, inspirational idea, cutting-edge research, services as well as personal and professional stories pertinent to the national audience. Prospective exhibitors will be solely responsible for the facilitation of their esssion and maintaining event

Exhibit types include visual displays in the form of posters, banners, pamphiles, storied images, flyers, expressive arts (e.g., drawings, paintings, peopley, etc.). doos, and other types of information. Exhibits should be accompanied by a clear statement of purpose. Exhibitor should be prepared to respond to aftendee questions during their 10-minute session.

Prospective exhibitors must submit proposals that are consistent with the virtual orientation of the symposium and this year's theme, Strengthening Pathways and Partnerships to Advance Empowerment, Justice, and Change.

SUBMISSION

General Guidelines: Proposals are to include the following information for consideration. Student submissions are encouraged.

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 Title of session

 Name, title, affiliation, and contact for each presenter (include phone number of lead presenter)

 Session type

 Learning area and learning objectives

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 Describe interdisciplinary, cross-professional or student collaboration (if applicable). Del emphasis, and relevance of the topic (50 words)

 Description of the topic (200-300 words)

 Summary of interactive elements and technical requirements (150-200 words)

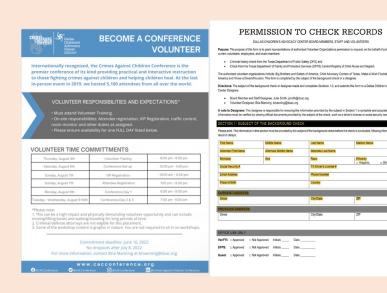
- Biographical statement for each presenter

Proposals should be saved as PDF files and submitted to Symposium Review Committee by email (SWLSymposium@gmail.com) no later than June 15, 2022. Notifications about participation will be delivered by July 1, 2022. Registration will be available by July 15, 2022. All accepted presenters must register to confirm virtual attendance no later than August 1, 2022.

COSTS: Regular \$45 before August 1, Regular \$55 after August 1 Student registration is Free. CEUs included. Certificates available at a cost of \$5 per certificate upon request.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITES









RESEARCH

Social Work **Course Guides** Student Research **Opportunity** Center







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

KNOW YOUR STATUS

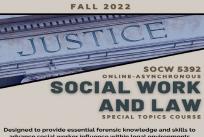
CALL OR TEXT TO SETUP AN APPOINTMENT!

Dean Ryan's

Statement on COVID-19 **Health Disparities**



Are you a student in recovery from substance use? If so, you may be eligible to offer feedback on a new VR based tool for substance use treatment. Click here for more information.



INSTRUCTOR
Dr. Sherece Shavel, Assistant Professor of Practice

EMAIL FOR MORE INFORMATION sherece.shavel@uta.edu

As a phoenix rises from the ashes





Research Participation Opportunity

Volunteers needed for an exploratory survey of childhood experiences and well-being in transition-age youth.



youngadultwellbeing.questionpro.com

Thank you for your interest and participation! We understand that your time is valuable. Participants who complete the survey will be entered into a raffle for one of ten \$20 Amazon gift cards.



UTA Academic Calendar

Evidence-Based Practice Research Guide



Check Canvas for the MavsUnite Page! To add please e-mail:

Emily Clark

SAR Center

(Formerly Office of Students with Disabilities)











UTA Library Accessibility

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 Olga Carrillo: Olga.carrillo@mavs.uta.edu



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