

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

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SOCIAL WORK

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CHANGE; WE CREATE CHANGE.

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WEEKLY UPDATE
November 29, 2021

SOCIAL JUSTICE SPOTLIGHT

Giving Tuesday November 30th

History

Giving Tuesday was begun in November 2012 by the website, Mashable. The intent was to inspire people to start the holiday off by doing good and giving back to their community. It was announced in September of that year and covered by "The Washington Post", The Whitehouse official blog, ABC News and "Huffington Post."

Giving Tuesday has grown into a global network and is support by many worldwide companies.

Ways You Can Participate

- Discover local fundraisers or coordinate an event to give back
- Volunteer virtually
- Share kindness with your neighbors
- Give to your favorite cause

#GivingTuesday

Learn more about Giving Tuesday [here](https://www.givingtuesday.org/).

Source: <https://www.givingtuesday.org/>

GIVING TUESDAY

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GRADUATING THIS SEMESTER?

TAKE THE UNDERGRADUATE EXIT SURVEY

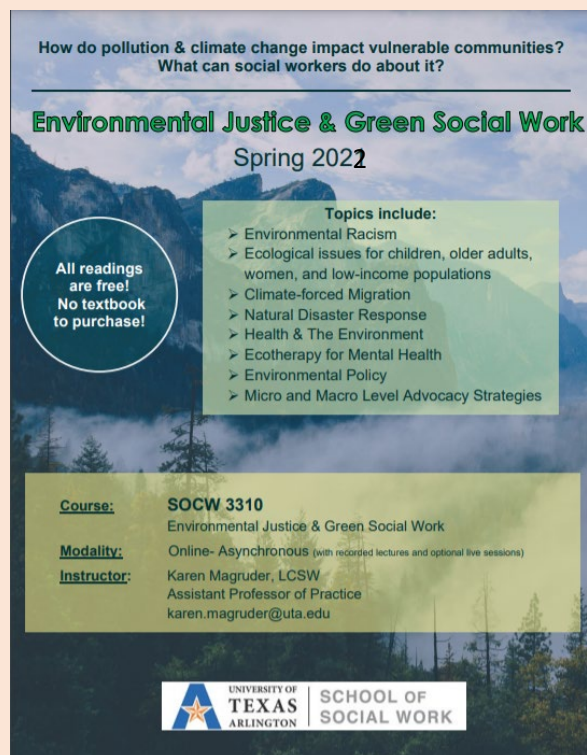
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COURSE SPOTLIGHT

SPECIAL ISSUES IN SOCIAL WORK SOCW 4350

Relevant social work topics generated and explored in depth according to student and professional needs.

Prerequisite: Permission of the Director.



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

Environmental Justice & Green Social Work
Spring 2022

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

All readings are free! No textbook to purchase!

Course: SOCW 3310
Environmental Justice & Green Social Work

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

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

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VIRTUAL CLINIC

Weekly Virtual Support Group Schedule

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10:00AM-11:00AM First-Generation & International Students' Success	6:15PM-7:15PM Building Better Interpersonal Relationships	10:00AM-11:00AM Men's Virtual Room of Recovery
1:30PM-2:30PM Accommodating for Success		11:30AM-12:30PM Women's Virtual Room of Recovery
3:30PM-4:30PM Promoting Healthy Habits		6:30PM-7:30PM Active Duty, Deployed Guard and Reserve Group
6:30PM-7:30PM COVID and Caregivers		

For inquiries or referrals contact us at SSWVirtualClinic@uta.edu

Presented by University of Texas Arlington | School of Social Work



Remember this:
"Be kind to your mind"

Promoting Healthy Habits
Virtual Support Group

We're here for you
e-mail SSWVirtualClinic@uta.edu
Wednesday's 3:30PM - 4:30PM

[Click here to email](#)

For Graduating Students

The North Central Texas Fort Worth Area Branch of the NASW Texas Chapter would like to gift a graduation honor cord to each graduating student who is a member of the Fort Worth Area branch or who is graduating from a university located within the Fort Worth Area branch.

Please complete this online form to request your honor

cord: <https://forms.gle/rR7CYRZQz64JtbC68>



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.

Mark Wednesday 12:00-1:00 [Click here to join the meeting](#)
 Valerie Thursday 11:00-12:00 [Click here to join the meeting](#)

BSW Academic Advisors:

- Last names A-C/S-Z: Valerie Adame – adamev@uta.edu
- Last names D-R: Mark Frazier – mark.frazier@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.

Fall 2021

- **The Fall 2021 Field Application closed June 4th. No late applications will be accepted.**
- **All students have been placed.** Students should contact their [field advisor](#) if they are still awaiting placement.
- See the Fall 2021 Field Education Calendar [here](#). **InPlace fee is due on the first day of class**

Spring 2022

- The Spring 2022 Field Application will be open Oct. 01 – Nov. 26, 2021. These dates are subject to change. See the full Spring 2022 Field Education Calendar [here](#).
- Read the Summer 2021 – Spring 2022 Field Accommodations [here](#).

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

IMPORTANT DATES

FALL 2021

- Dec 7 Last Day of Classes
- Dec 8 Student Study Day
- Dec 9 – 15 Final Exams
- Dec 16 – 18 Commencement Ceremonies
- Dec 16 – Jan 17 Winter Break
- Jan 18 - First Day of Classes



EVENTS

FREE Dental, Vision,
and Health Services

December 11-12, 2021
13901 Aviator Way,
Fort Worth, TX 76177



JOIN US IN MAKING TEXAS HEALTHIER

HSC and Remote Area Medical – RAM – is a major nonprofit provider of pop-up clinics delivering free, quality dental, vision, and medical care to underserved and uninsured individuals – are bringing a free clinic to Fort Worth.

The free clinic will provide dental, vision, and medical services to patients on a first-come, first-served basis. All RAM services are free and no ID is required.

The University of North Texas Health Science Center is proud to partner with RAM to provide these crucial medical services to our community.

To learn more about the event, visit: unthsc.edu/ram
To learn more about RAM, visit: ramusa.org

EVENT DETAILS

- December 11 & 12, 2021
- First-come, first-served
- All RAM services are free of cost
- No ID required

SERVICES OFFERED:

- Adult/Pediatric Dental Services
- Adult/Pediatric Medical Services
- Adult/Pediatric Vision Services
- Women's Health Services



[Click Here for more info](#)

Cocoa & Clubs

DECEMBER 2, 2021 | 12:00PM TO 1:30PM
ROOM B107

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE YOUR HARD WORK THIS SEMESTER WITH FREE HOT COCOA AND SNACKS. CONNECT WITH STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND MINGLE WITH FRIENDS, FACULTY AND STAFF.

MASK UP! MAYS UP!

UTA School of Social Work

For accommodations, please email Coral Simpkins-Mims at SSWSPEIALEVENTS@UTA.edu



GET INVOLVED

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://phsociohbook.com.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bkgC8q8h5YK1m



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 817-498-14015. 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 817-572-3223 or regulation@uta.edu



[Click Here for Screening](#)

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.

UT Arlington Division of Student Affairs #CommunityThatCares

MAVERICKS UT ARLINGTON

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 POF EACH MONTH | 5-6 PM | TEAMS VIRTUAL MEETINGS EVERYBODY'S WELCOME!

To participate, please register: <https://forms.gle/BnHefgF53iB1EXqa9>

Follow us @SGCUTA- Students for Global Change

Email us at sgc.uta@gmail.com

[Click Here for more info](#)

get your team INVOLVED

WE HAVE A PLAN FOR YOUR CALENDAR

BRING A GROUP UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Fall Carnival: October 30, 2021
- Thanksgiving Grocery Giveaway: November 20, 2021
- Christmas Giveaway: December 16, 2021
- Spring Carnival: March 12, 2022
- Easter Basket Giveaway: April 16, 2022

Which event can you see yourself at?

HOST A DRIVE WE HAVE A NEED FOR:

- Candy
- Groceries
- Coats
- Christmas Toys
- Small Toys and Trinkets
- Easter Eggs and Candy
- Easter Baskets

This covers all the materials needed for the rest of our events! Which need can you fill?

JOIN A CAMP SUMMER AND SPRING BREAK:

- Spring Break Camp: March 13 to March 16, 2022
- Summer Camp: June and July of 2022

Join camp for a day or a week, which works best for you? Either way, book your dates today, they fill up quick!

Win \$50!

Enter SPEAK's Policy Brief Contest!

We will be awarding a \$50 Target Gift Card to five submissions in each MSW track - that's 25 prizes!

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE!

[Click Here for more info](#)

LEARN A NEW ADVOCACY SKILL WITH SPEAK & SKILLSHARE!

IT'S FREE!

RSUASIVE WRITING TIME MANAGEMENT ARTIVISM ADVOCACY

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE

[Click Here for more info](#)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



Volunteer Opportunity

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DATE
December 11 & 12, 2021

LOCATION
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Fort Worth, TX 76177

To learn more, visit: unthsc.edu/ram

Students, practicing professionals, and general volunteers needed! Sign up using the QR code below.

Register to volunteer at ramusa.org

Logos: hsc, RAM, Hill Country, United Way

[Click Here for more info](#)



RESEARCH

[Social Work Course Guides](#)

[Student Research Opportunity Center](#)

Fall 2021 Students Please Join
UTA School of Social Work
Research Focus Group on Experiential
Learning and Multiculturalism

IN AND BEYOND THE CLASSROOM



Please check your email and newsletter or contact
Dr Marie Salimbeni,
marie.salimbeni@uta.edu
for recruitment information

[Email Here for more info](#)

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

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

Degree Progress Worksheet [Click Here](#)

Dr. Allison Tomlinson, PhD, LCSW-S
allison.tomlinson@uta.edu



STAY SAFE

COVID-19 Testing



REQUIRED COVID-19 TESTING

Beginning Monday, Sept. 13, students, faculty and staff coming to any UTA campus in any capacity will be selected [at random for mandatory COVID-19 testing](#).

Until further notice, 20% of our campus population, regardless of vaccination status, will be selected each week for testing. Notifications will come from covidtesting@uta.edu, and you will have seven days to get tested after being selected. 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.

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.

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; you do not need to wait until you are selected for random testing.

Covid-19 Vaccine

Click to [find vaccine opportunity](#).

Listen to UTA public health experts explain [why getting a COVID-19 vaccine is beneficial](#) for you and your community.

[Required COVID-19 testing and new protective measures for Fall 2021 \(English and Español\) \(uta.edu\)](#)

Classroom density, updated info from university on testing and return to campus

Flu Shots

Health Services recommends getting vaccinated by the end of October to be protected against flu before the start of flu season. [Email](#) the Immunization Clinic with your name, date of birth, student ID number, and phone number to schedule your free flu shot.

KNOW YOUR STATUS

No cost & confidential HIV testing

CALL OR TEXT TO SETUP AN APPOINTMENT!

PHONE: 882-478-8965
EMAIL: TYLER@HHMRTC.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

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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.**



In Crisis?
Text HELLO to 741741

CRISIS TEXT LINE | Free, 24/7, Confidential

Our Services

Peer-Led Team Learning (PLTL)
Ready, small group study sessions are offered to support students' understanding of course material and to provide a better understanding of academic concepts and how to apply what is learned.
PLTL is a free for student but requires registration required during first week of classes.
PLTL study groups begin the 3rd week of class and attendance is mandatory.
PLTL groups meet weekly at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. from Monday to Friday.
PLTL sessions are limited to students who have demonstrated academic competency in the related course.
PLTL is available to all students.

Supplemental Instruction (SI)
For challenging courses, SI provides additional support and resources. SI is available for students who are struggling in a course. SI is available for students who are struggling in a course. SI is available for students who are struggling in a course.

Tutoring
Tutoring is available for all students. Tutoring is available for all students. Tutoring is available for all students.

Academic Coaching
Academic Coaching is available for all students. Academic Coaching is available for all students. Academic Coaching is available for all students.

TRIO Student Support Services
TRIO Student Support Services is available for all students. TRIO Student Support Services is available for all students. TRIO Student Support Services is available for all students.

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](https://www.tarrantcountytx.gov/rental-assistance) 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)
suicidepreventionlifeline.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