



WEEKLY UPDATE
March 28, 2022

SOCIAL JUSTICE SPOTLIGHT

World Autism Awareness Day
April 2nd

Autism Spectrum Disorder is a bio-neurological developmental disorder that typically appears in early childhood and affects mental, physical and behavioral development. Autism affects 1 in 59 children, so it is very likely that you know someone who has autism or has been affected by autism. Autism is diagnosed 4.3 times more in boys than girls because girls mask symptoms more often.

Children with autism face many obstacles growing up. Developmental delays, lack of social skills, and health issues are some of facets of life that are affected. As social workers, we can advocate to improve resources available to schools and families to help support these children to lead healthy and happy lives into adulthood. Adults with autism are more likely to be unemployed or underemployed.

This day is to bring awareness to the rights of people with autism and encourage inclusion in the workplace.

Ways to Observe

- Attend or host an event supporting autism awareness
- Share and encourage others to share their stories on how autism affects their life
- Wear blue on April 2nd to show your support for increasing understanding and acceptance for people with autism

Source: <https://www.autismspeaks.org/world-autism-awareness-day>



WORLD
AUTISM
Awareness
Day
2022

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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

Be Essential. Make a Difference.

TEXAS
Department of Family and Protective Services

We can change everything together.

IMPORTANT DATES

SPRING 2022

- **April 1st** – Last day to drop from regular session by 4PM
- **April 4th** – Registration Begins for Summer and Fall
- **April 9th** – The Big Event
- **April 26th** – Last day to drop from 2nd-8 week sessions
- **May 3rd** – Last day of classes
- **May 12 – 14th** – Commencement Ceremonies

UT ARLINGTON - ACADEMIC SUCCESS CENTER

Hiring Peer Educators
TRIO Student Support Services

Tutor SSS students one-on-one and in small groups to provide course support and improve study skills

Start date flexible Summer or Fall!

-GPA of 3.0 or higher
-A or B in courses to be tutored

Apply on Handshake
Job #6151917
UTA Student Assistant
TRIO SSS Peer Educator (Tutor)

Hiring in ALL subject areas!



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 will 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.

CEU OPPORTUNITIES

Free CEU's from Valdosta State University

For All Licensed Clinical Social Workers

Do you want to learn more about dementia, caregiving, and cultural considerations while working with diverse communities? [Click](#) for more information.



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.

Feeling a bit lost?
Start with
your
Graduate Student
Leader!

Don't know who that is?

Email [Stacie Hill](#) to get
connected!

LICENSING

- If you're in your final semester and want to get started on applying to ASWB to take the LMSW 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](#).
- **There's lots of great updated information about licensing in the Student Success and Advising Course on Canvas—Check it out!**
- 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.



FIELD PLACEMENTS

General

- **InPlace has a new URL! All students, agencies, and Field Instructors will need to use the new URL.** <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!
- [Field forms are available here!](#)
- [Field FAQ](#)
- If you are having technical difficulties with InPlace please email sswfield@uta.edu and include a screenshot of the issue.
- Are you a CAP student ready for your advanced field placement? Check out the Funding section for paid opportunities!

The Summer Field Application closes Friday, April 23rd. If you are planning on starting Field this summer, you **must** apply before this deadline.

FIELD POWER HOURS

This is an opportunity for you to ask questions, similar to Office Hours for faculty!

- Foundation MSW
 - Field Advisor: Natalie Mangham
 - 1st & 3rd Monday of the month, 3-4
 - [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- CAP & Children & Families
 - Field Advisor: Monica Brown
 - 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, 3-4
 - [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- Mental Health
 - Field Advisor: Hector Ramos
 - 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month, 3-4
 - [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- Aging & Health
 - Field Advisor: Sharon Martin
 - 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, 3:30-4
 - [Click here to join the meeting](#)



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		

At this time, the Virtual Support Groups are not available for MSW students, but we do ask for support and to please refer anyone that could use these services. 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/BnHefg753iB1EXqa9>

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

[Click Here for more info](#)

Make it happen!

Be a part of our special team of **Compass 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 sit 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."
- Susan Tomlin

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

TEXAS DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS #CommunityThatCares

INTERESTED IN MACRO SOCIAL WORK?

STUDENT ASSOCIATION FOR MACRO SOCIAL WORK
JOIN SANSW 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:

- 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

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!

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!

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EVENTS

Save the Date!
SOCIAL WORK TAKEOVER
 @UNIVERSITYCENTER
 Addiction & Recovery Workforce Symposium
 March 29, 2022 | 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. | E.H. Hereford University Center

Job & Field Agency Fair

Student Research Poster Contest

Afternoon Breakout Sessions - Earn CEUs
 (HRSA addiction and recovery topics)

This is an in-person event.
 For 100% Online Students - Job & Field Agency Fair and select breakout sessions will be livestreamed

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For special accommodations, contact Coral Simpkins-Mims at SSWSpecialEvents@uta.edu.
 This project is supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Let's Get Digital!
 capitalizing on digital resources to meet your power of 3 campaign goals

SPEAK Invites YOU to Join **Voting is Social**
Work's Power of 3 Campaign!

First of the Power of 3 Campaign Webinars:
Let's Get Digital

Wednesday, March 30
 10AM PT / 12PM CT / 1PM ET

REGISTER NOW!

Social workers have a long history of social and political action – including voter registration! With Democracy on the brink, the stakes are higher than ever.

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-NTM4MDgyMTktY2FhNi00MDZhLTkyODktZmUzM2JyJjNlY2M0%40thread_v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%225cdc5b43-d7be-4cna-8173-729e3b0a62d9%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22d633e156-63ed-4ca2-8e81-d48afa65e64c%22%7d)
https://teams.microsoft.com/j/1/meetup-join/19%3ameeting-NTM4MDgyMTktY2FhNi00MDZhLTkyODktZmUzM2JyJjNlY2M0%40thread_v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%225cdc5b43-d7be-4cna-8173-729e3b0a62d9%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22d633e156-63ed-4ca2-8e81-d48afa65e64c%22%7d

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



It's time to celebrate the UTA Graduates in Spring 2022 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 this form to RSVP for the event:
<https://forms.office.com/r/5Vbh8Gcmqc>



UTA
 LGBTQ+ Program
 817-727-3947

If you need accommodations to participate, please contact the LGBTQ+ Program at 817-727-3947 or LGBTQA@uta.edu at least five days prior to the event date.

SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

PAT BRANDENBURG SCHOLARSHIP FOR MALS MINORS

\$1,500



Deadline:
April 15, 2022

Scan to apply!

Requirements:

- Have declared a Minor in Mexican American/Latino Studies (MALS)
 - Have completed 1 MALS/MAS course with a "B" or higher.
 - Will enroll in at least 9 hours of coursework in Fall 2022
 - Submit a one-page application statement.
- No recommendation letters needed.



Contact Information:
Cristina Salinas, Ph.D
Center for Mexican American Studies
csalinas@uta.edu

PAT BRANDENBURG SCHOLARSHIP IN LATINO STUDIES IN THE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

\$1,500



Deadline:
April 15, 2022

Scan to apply!

Requirements:

- Have completed 1 MALS/MAS course with a "B" or higher.
 - Will enroll in at least 9 hours of coursework in Fall 2022
 - Submit a one-page application statement.
- No recommendation letters needed.



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Brandenburg Graduate Student Scholarship 2022

Applications due by April 15, 2022

\$2,500

These scholarships are open to any UTA graduate student engaged in research topics or creative work related to the Latinx experience in the United States.

The scholarship is intended to help support graduate student work and can cover tuition fees, travel and research costs, and other costs related to professional conferences and associations.

Scan to apply!



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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Camp Volunteers Needed

Email
lindsay.garrett@gladney.org
for more info



Dates: July 31st-
August 5th, 2022

Location:
Camp El Tesoro
Granbury, Texas

Volunteer Positions:

- **Cabin Counselor:** Stay in a cabin with a group of children for the week
- **Support Buddy:** Be a one on one buddy for a child that needs extra support at camp
- **Camp Nurse:** Certified medical professional to assist with medication and first aid

"It was so amazing to have the privilege to share what my adoptee status means to me, and listen and learn from all of the other adoptees there. While all of our stories are different, camp provided a needed outlet to let each of our experiences shine!"

-Elena, Gladney Adoptee and Camp Volunteer

Complete your application [HERE!](#)



[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)

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Call (817)272-8255



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[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](tel: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

