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!

Sources: https://adata.org/ada-anniversary#text=The%20Americans%20with%20Disabilities%20Act%20opportunity%20for%20people%20with%20disabilities.
Get to know our Student Leaders!

Hello fellow social work students, my name is Tina Shuey. I was born in Dallas, TX and grew up in Arlington. The thought of someday attending UTA was so intimidating, but now I am so proud to be a Maverick! I am also the proud mom of two children, who are also on their college journey (OSU & Arkansas University). My wife and I live in McKinney, TX and we have 3 dogs and a grandcat. I also serve as Board Chair for The Magdalen House, a non-profit in Dallas that serves women, at no cost, who desire help to recover from alcoholism. Giving back to this agency is an honor since they saved my life. I returned to school mid-life to follow a passion (and calling) to help others. My first degree was from Stephen F. Austin State University in 1994, a BBA with a major in management. I have enjoyed a long career in advertising and marketing. But with age, comes an appreciation for giving back and contributing to our communities and being of service. And that is where UTA kept coming up as one of the best Social Work programs in the country. Several of the women I admire, and aspire to be, went through the MSW program - so here I am. I started on the BSW track to get the basic social work knowledge and then to be able to enter the MSW with advanced standing. Pursuing my dream of Social Work at UTA is one of the biggest highlights of my life!

But then I was introduced to the Student Leader program my first semester in my BSW program. In the Fall of 2020, I started as an Undergrad Student Leader and then transitioned to a Graduate Student Leader. Being a student leader has given me a head start on practicing the Social Work Code of Ethics, as well as resource allocation. I get so much joy from helping my peers get connected to the answers they need for a successful experience with the UTA social work program. I also get exposure to the leadership of our program, which is a treat to see their passion and concern for students. The Student Leader role has helped me to see I found my community of like-minded individuals.

Interested in becoming a GSL? [Click here!]

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

**COURSE SPOTLIGHT**

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

**Environmental Justice & Green Social Work**

Fall 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

- **Course:** SOCW 3310 (Undergraduate) / SOCW 5310 (Masters)
- **Modality:** Online-Asynchronous (with recorded lectures and optional live sessions)
- **Instructor:** Karen Magruder, LCSW-S
  Assistant Professor of Practice
  karen.magruder@uta.edu

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

**SUMMER 2022**

- **August 10** – Last Day of Classes
- **August 13** – Graduation Reception (See flyer in events on page 51)
- **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

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**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.

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**FALL 2022**

**SOCW 5392**

**ONLINE-ASYNCHRONOUS**

**SOCIAL WORK AND LAW**

**SPECIAL TOPICS COURSE**

Designed to provide essential forensic knowledge and skills to advance social worker influence within legal environments.

- Students will learn how to:
  - Discover when problems are legal and require legal action
  - Respond to Subpoena
  - Analyze Case Law
  - Participate in Judicial Proceedings
  - Perform as a witness in court
  - And more

**INSTRUCTOR**

Dr. Sheree Shavel, Assistant Professor of Practice

**EMAIL FOR MORE INFORMATION**

sheree.shavel@uta.edu

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**SOCW 5356**

**COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTIONS**

Learn practical tools for engagement, assessment and intervention using this popular, evidence-based approach!

- **Format:** Online Asynchronous
- **Instructor:** Karen Magruder, LCSW-S

**Prerequisite:** SOCW 5311

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**SOCW 5310**

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSE**

Environmental Justice & Green Social Work

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**SOCW 5310**

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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!

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!

Fall 2022

- See the Fall 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 will open October 03, 2022.
- Application deadline is November 25, 2022
- See the Spring 2023 Field Education Calendar for Block and for Split here.
  InPlace fee is due on the first day of class

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 Wednesday of the month, 3:30-4
  - 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 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.
**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 FOR EACH MONTH | 5-6 PM | TEAMS VIRTUAL MEETINGS EVERYBODY'S WELCOME!**

To participate, please register: https://forms.gle/8rH4yf5R38R1Et9e9

Follow us @GGCUATA-Students for Global Change

Email us at sgc.uta@gmail.com

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**GET INVOLVED**

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**Connections Tutoring Lab**

**UTA School of Social Work**

**NOW OPEN**

Schedule a 30 minute session with a writing tutor!

Book your session HERE!

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**Events**

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**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!

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

**Brazos Park**

601 S. West St., Arlington, Texas 76010

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**Univ of Texas at Arlington**

**School of Social Work**

**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 8, Room 107
211 S. Cooper St., Arlington, TX 76019

Please join us for sandwiches and refreshments prior to the 11:00 am Commencement Ceremony!
ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Introducing the 1st Annual Social Work and Law National Symposium

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The 1st Annual Social Work and Law National Symposium serves as a forum to explore the intersections of social work and law, and to advance the field of forensic social work. The symposium will feature presentations on cutting-edge research, best practices, and emerging trends in the field. We encourage proposals that focus on theoretical, empirical, and applied research in forensic social work.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: April 1, 2022

CALL FOR EXHIBITORS

Exhibit opportunities are available for organizations, businesses, and individuals interested in promoting their services or products. Exhibit spaces are limited, so early application is encouraged.

PERMISSION TO CHECK RECORDS

BECOME A CONFERENCE VOLUNTEER

INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED CONFERENCE

The 1st Annual Social Work and Law National Symposium is an international conference that brings together researchers, practitioners, and policymakers from across the globe to discuss the latest trends and developments in forensic social work.

VOLUNTEER RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS

- Welcome and orient attendees
- Provide information and assistance to attendees
- Assist with registration
- Assist with setup and teardown of event spaces

VOLUNTEER TIME COMMITMENTS

- Thursday, August 18: Volunteer Training 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM
- Friday, August 19: Registration 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM
- Saturday, August 20: Registration 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Volunteers are expected to work a minimum of 8 hours per day.

VOLUNTEER BENEFITS

- Attend the conference at no cost
- Receive a complimentary meal per day of volunteering
- Receive a conference t-shirt

APPLICATION DEADLINE: June 1, 2022

If you are interested in volunteering, please complete the application form below.

Click HERE to Apply TODAY!
Trauma Therapist

Overview
Date Posted: 6/23/2022
Job Code: THRTDSP
Position Type: Exempt
City: Fort Worth
State: TX
Country: United States of America
Category: Direct Care - Clinical Therapist/Social Work/Case Worker
Requisition Number: 8977
Position Number: 12493

ABOUT US
As the public hospital for Dallas, Parkland has been providing exceptional care stretches back for over a century. Today, many of Parkland’s specialty areas have garnered national achievements in care, research, and technological innovation.

CURRENT OPENINGS:
• Social Worker (BSW) - bilingual Spanish
• Social Worker (LMSW)
• Mgr, Social work

BENEFITS
• Medical, Dental, Vision
• 401K
• Pension
• Employee Assistance Program
• Life Insurance
• Child Care
• And many others

CONTACT
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ParklandCareers.com
5200 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, TX, 75336

BENEFITS
Healthcare
• Medical
• Dental
• Vision
• Life Insurance
• Flexible Spending Account
• Disability
• Pet Insurance
• Supplemental Insurance
• Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account

Financial
• Pension
• 401K up to 6% Match
• Legal Insurance
• Tuition Reimbursement
• Federal Loan Repayment Program
• Milliman Financial Advisor Support for Retirement
• Employee Assistance Program

Benefit
• Discounts
• Fitness Program
• Weight Loss Support
• Auto & Home Insurance

Additional Benefits
• Employee Health Center
• Pharmacy
• Expectant Mothers deliver for free *
• Child Care
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

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.

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.

If you have any questions, please contact the research team at katherine.fahrenthold@mavs.uta.edu
Check Canvas for the MavsUnite Page! To add please e-mail: Emily Clark

Managing Stress and Anxiety During COVID-19
UTA Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)
THERAPIST ASSISTED ONLINE (TAO)
Visit TAO.connect.org
Mavs Talk 24HR Crisis Line
Call (817) 272-0255
Visit uta.edu/caps for more information

SAR Center
(Formerly Office of Students with Disabilities)

In Crisis? Text HELLO to 741741

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

"You must not be fearful about what you are doing when it is right"
— Rosa Parks