

SOCIAL JUSTICE SPOTLIGHT

On October 20th we celebrate National Youth Confidence Day!

On this day, the youths are encouraged to be confident! National Youth Confidence day celebrates the energy, spirit, and potential thoughts of the young ones.

Why encourage confidence within the youth? Because the youths are the future of society. Today's youth will learn how to overcome obstacles and to manage negative thinking when learning how to become confident.

Joan of Arc was the start of this national celebration. She was only 19 years old when captured by Burgundian soldiers before her untimely death. She was a French heroine and saint before her time.

Want to know more? Click Here

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Get to know our Student Leaders!

Greetings! My name is Lecia Edwards and this is my first semester serving as a Graduate Student Leader (GSL) and as a GSL intern. I received my bachelor's degree in sociology from the University of North Texas in 2004. I am currently in my second year as a foundation student in the MSW Program, and I plan to pursue Direct Practice in Children and Families as my concentration. Currently married for 34 years, my husband and I are proud parents of three adult children ages 34, 32, and 29. I am also a Nana to my wonderful seven-year-old grandson who lives in Kansas City, MO. In my spare time, I enjoy reading, traveling, playing the piano, shopping, and driving my "muscle car". As a longtime special education administrator in a public school district, I have a passion for helping others. My work facilitates the development of children by giving them access to the resources they need to excel in the classroom, and also performing tasks outside of school. My goal is to become a school social worker and continue to serve the needs of children with the goal of helping them reach pliable goals and assist them with the best chance to succeed in life regardless of their circumstances. I am excited about completing my internship with the program and honored to serve as a GSL. I look forward to supporting other students during OUR journey through the UTA MSW program

Interested in becoming a GSL? Click here!

OPPORTUNITY

Graduate Student Leader (GSL) Internship Program – Spring 2023

Are you looking for an internship placement where you can grow professionally, learn leadership skills, receive mentoring, work on important special projects to improve the MSW program, and help fellow MSW students? If so, we may have the opportunity you are looking for. We are actively recruiting for GSL interns for

the spring 2023 semester.

Foundation MSW students, students in the CAP specialty, mental health & substance misuse specialty and children & families specialty (split) can choose to intern within the School of Social Work Academic Affairs Department as a GSL. How cool is that?!?! If you are interested in this new initiative, here is what you need to do. Complete the GSL application: <u>CLICK HERE!</u>

Keep in mind that you can still serve as a GSL even if you do not want to use this as your field placement. whether you are a volunteer GSL, or you use this as a field placement, you will provide much needed support to fellow MSW students. Interns will have additional opportunities to lead special projects and receive mentoring.

Applications open for Spring Field placement on October 3rd. The deadline to submit applications is November 25, 2022.

YOU MATTER

Ethics and Professionalism within the Branch of Social Work

What is Ethics? What ethical qualities are needed to become a good professional? How do we ethically help solve problems?

When it comes to helping clients, we as Social Workers must understands how to use ethics to find solutions. Ethics is defined as knowing what is morally right or wrong. Values is defined as what is taught within our culture, conformities, groups, principles, or as an individual.

As social workers, we must look at the NASW Code of Ethics for perspective. The NASW Code of Ethics explains professional ethics within Social Work. Ethical Principles within the NASW Code of ethics are based off the core values of:

- Service
- Importance of Human Relations
- Integrity
- Social Justice
- Competence
- Dignity and Worth of the Person

Legal Issues concerning ethical standards are minimum standard that society will accept. It is also related to federal, state and municipal standards of practice that is regulated by law.

Most laws within the branch of social work are considered "virtue" ethics. In a nutshell, virtue ethics reflects a person's set of values.

As future Social Workers, it is necessary to understand our clients needs. When it comes to any situation that a client may face, it's necessary to find solutions within ethics. For without ethics there will be a lack of moral judgement within human relationships.

As Aristotle once stated:

"Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all."

Best Regards,

Andwelah Givens BGW Student Undergraduate Intern - the University of Texas at Arlington

IMPORTANT DATES

FALL 2022

- Oct. 28-- Last day to drop classes; submit requests to advisor prior to 4:00pm
- Nov. 23- No classes scheduled
- Nov. 24- Thanksgiving Holiday
- Nov. 25- Thanksgiving Holiday Field Applications Close
- Dec. 6- Last day of classes
- Dec. 7- Student Study Day (no classes)
- Dec. 16- School of Social work Graduation, 6:30
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NEW FIELD ADVISOR UPDATE ON PAGE 4!

*Sharon & Natalie will be splitting MHSU students!

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



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 <u>here</u>. 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 <u>Martaya Brown</u> or <u>Lecia</u> <u>Edwards</u> 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, <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>.
- 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 <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.



FIELD PLACEMENTS



- InPlace has a new URL! All students, agencies, and Field Instructors will need to use the new URL. <u>https://inplace.uta.edu/</u>
- 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!
- Field forms are available here!
- Field FAQ
- If you are having technical difficulties with InPlace please email <u>sswfield@uta.edu</u> 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!

FIELD POWER HOURS

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

- Aging & Health (Interim Field Advisor for Mental Health last names A-L)
 - 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
- BSW/BSSUT (Interim Field Advisor for Mental Health last names M-Z)
 - Field Advisor: Sharon Martin
 - 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month, 3:30-4
 - <u>Click here to join the meeting</u>

Update Foundation: Andrea Jamesonandrea.jameson@uta.edu





UTA Drag Show Join us for the main event for UTA's Pride Month, Tuesday, October 25th, in University Center Rosebud for our EPIC DRAG SHOW! Doors open at 6:30 pm!



Student and Academic Affairs

MSW Student Guidance Protocol

Do you have questions about the MSW program, registration/course information, your degree plan, field, graduation, or something other about the MSW program? Are you having issues navigating your class information or have instructor questions? Follow the steps below to get the answers you need quickly!



Step I: Initial point of contact

- I. Registration issues, degree plan, graduation information:
- Questions about field:

<u>Academic Advisor</u>



• Field Advisor



3. General questions about MSW program:

- Reach out to a <u>GSL</u> (Graduate Student Leader)
 Still have questions or other program issues:
- Reach out to the Office of Graduate Programs:
- Dr. Joyce White



Ginger Jackson

4. Questions about your course assignments, Canvas, syllabus:

• Reach out to your instructor first (see Canvas for details)

 \rightarrow Step 2: Second point of contact

Still need answers after initial point of contact or issue not resolved from step 1?

- Academic Advising and Field Education Concerns:
 - o Ms. Patrice Green, Manager of Student Success & Advising



- Course or instructor issues:
 - o Dr. Amanda Hassan, Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs



- Graduate program issues:
 - o Dr. Diane Mitschke, Associate Dean of Student & Academic Affairs





JOB OPPORTUNITES

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



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Click here for more information



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITES





Road To Recovery: Trauma Informed Care Applications Open for 2023

The Texas Center for Disability Studies is offering an exciting training opportunity – FREE to selected applicants. The Center is recruiting applicants to become master trainers of the Road to Recovery: Supporting Children with Intellectual/ Developmental Disabilities Who Have Experienced Trauma.

The virtual training offers IDD professionals, mental health professionals, family members, educators, direct care workers and others valuable insights into how to support children with intellectual and other developmental disabilities in healing from trauma.

> Interested in becoming a trainer? Complete the application on

disabilitystudies.utexas.edu/R2R

Deadline to submit your application is November 14, 2022. Questions? Contact r2rtcds@gmail.com.

The University of Texas at Austin Texas Center for Disability Studies

Hogg Foundation for Mental Health





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(817) 272-2135

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