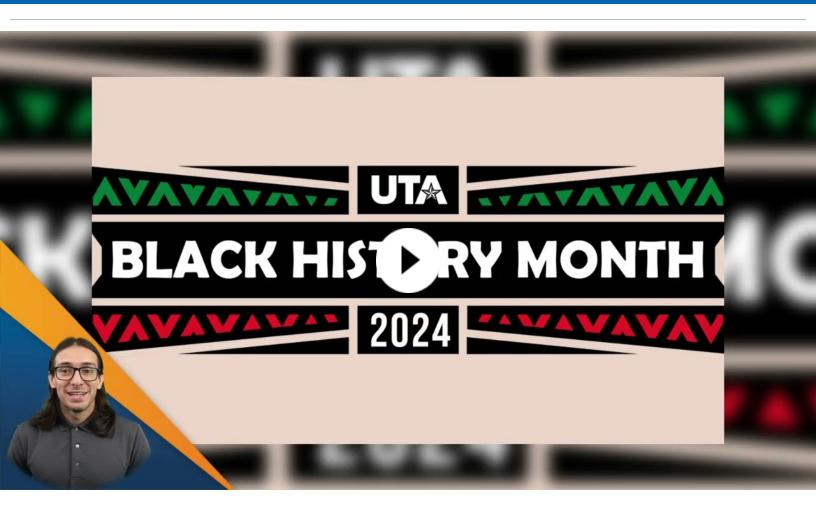


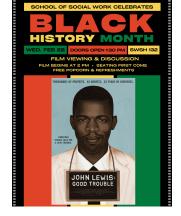
FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER



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Flyer for Black History Month Film Viewing

Social Work school premieres John Lewis documentary

By Jaelon Jackson

Faculty, staff and students were invited to a film and discussion event for Black History Month hosted Feb. 28 by The University of Texas at Arlington School of Social Work.

In the School of Social Work and SMART Hospital building, the audience watched and discussed the film "John Lewis: Good Trouble," a 2020 documentary directed by Dawn Porter depicting the life and accomplishments of U.S. Rep. John Lewis.

John Lewis emerged as a significant figure in American civil rights and politics, contributing profoundly to the quest for racial equality. Originating from Alabama, Lewis played a pivotal role within the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, orchestrating impactful events like the 1963 March on Washington.

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From left: Dr. Anthony D. Greene, director of the African American Studies Program and sociology associate professor at College of Charleston, and from the University of Texas at Arlington Social Work Associate Professor Dr. Jandel Crutchfield, History Assistant Professor Dr. J. Anthony Guillory, Social Work Adjunct Assistant Professor Dr. Pamela "Safisha" Hill, and Dr. Jason Shelton, sociology professor and Director of the Center for African American Studies pose for a photo at CAAS' 12th Annual Conference held Feb. 7 in the University Center at UTA.

Social Work, Hip-Hop unite

By Jaelon Jackson

The University of Texas at Arlington's Center for African American Studies recently marked the 50th anniversary of hip-hop at its 12th Annual Conference, offering two social work professors a platform for reflection and dialogue.

Dr. Jandel Crutchfield, social work associate professor and CAAS faculty affiliate, not only attended the event but also took on the role of a panel moderator. Alongside her, Social Work Adjunct Assistant Professor and CAAS faculty affiliate Dr. Pamela "Safisha" Hill lent her insights to the discussion as a panel member.

"As a CAAS faculty affiliate, I always want to show up to support the important work of CAAS. It was a treat to be able to reminisce with panelists on the history of hip hop," Crutchfield said.

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UTA awarded \$100,000 gift from Hoblitzelle Foundation supporting social work building

By Neph Rivera

The University of Texas at Arlington's innovative School of Social Work/College of Nursing and Health Innovation Smart Hospital Building received a generous gift that will support cutting-edge learning and teaching.

<u>The Hoblitzelle Foundation</u> has made a \$100,000 gift to support educational efforts in nursing and social work programs. The University will name a terrace in the foundation's honor.

"The Hoblitzelle Foundation sees UTA as an important partner in training and developing the North Texas workforce," said Katie Robbins, president and CEO of Hoblitzelle Foundation. "Specifically as it relates to nursing and social work, UTA provides access to these much-needed careers at a reasonable cost for students."

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From left: Assistant Professor Dr. Sophia Fantus, Assistant Professor of Practice Karen Magruder, and Associate Professor Dr. Ling Xu

Social Work professors to be honored for teaching excellence

By Jaelon Jackson

Three Social Work Professors have been selected as award winners for the spring meeting of the University Faculty and Associates here at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Sophia Fantus, Karen Magruder and Ling Xu from the School of Social Work will receive awards for teaching excellence.

"Karen, Ling and Sophia reflect the rich culture of academic and teaching excellence we try to achieve every day and with each student in the School of Social Work," Dr. Kirk A. Foster, dean of the School of Social Work said.

Dr. Foster, who began his tenure as dean of the school Feb.1, reflected on how the social work professors honor their commitment to students and the community.

"The fact that we have three professors recognized for their teaching excellence is testament to our collective commitment to our students and the communities they will serve," Dean Foster said.

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Upcoming SSW Events:

- March is Social Work Month
- Dean's Alumni Breakfast (March 21)
- Social Work Advocacy Day in Austin (March 22)
- School of Social Work Mini Conference (March 26)
- April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM)
- SAAM Day of Action (April 2)

• Eclipsed Humanity (April 8) - Submit Photo for Solar Eclipse SSW Project

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