



**BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN SUBSTANCE USE  
TREATMENT**

# WEEKLY UPDATE

October 18, 2022



## SOCIAL JUSTICE SPOTLIGHT

**October 20<sup>th</sup> is National Youth Confidence Day!**

**On October 20<sup>th</sup> we celebrate National Youth Confidence Day!**

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

Why encourage confidence within youth? Because today's youth 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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## BSW STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Hello to all, my name is Maria Cruz a Mexican DACA receipt first-generation college student. I am a BSW senior at the University of Texas at Arlington and an intern for the BSW USL program. I graduated from Dallas college with my Associate Degree in Liberal Arts. While looking for my career path, I stumbled into the field of Social Work. I realized helping to protect vulnerable individuals, groups, and families from harm or abuse or supporting them to live independently helps me feel as a candle that was needed in the darkness. Someone one said to me "Be the change you want to see in the world". I will graduate with my BSW in Spring 2023 and persist to earn a MSW all the way to LCSW.

Kind regards,  
Maria Cruz  
USL Intern- UTA School of Social Work



## 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 understand how to use ethics to find solutions. Ethics is defined as knowing what is morally right or wrong. Values are defined as a set of beliefs taught within our culture, family, community, profession, etc. .

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*  
**BSW Student Undergraduate**  
**Intern - the University of Texas at Arlington**



## 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.

## 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](#).
- 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.

## 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](mailto:leslie.reyna@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](mailto: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](#)

### Spring

- **The Spring 2023 Field Application Opens October 3rd. Apply ASAP once Inplace accepts Applications.**
- **All students have been placed.** Students should contact their [field advisor](#) if they are still awaiting placement.

### Spring 2023

- The Spring 2023 Field Application will be open Oct. 03 – Nov. 25, 2022. These dates are subject to change. See the full Spring 2023 Field Education Calendar [here](#).

## USL Opportunity!!!

### USLS NEEDED!

#### ATTENTION BSW STUDENTS !

The School of Social Work is recruiting Undergraduate Student Leaders (USLs)



Spring 23 Applications are open now!



#### NEED MORE INFORMATION CONTACT US:

Precious Bell or Laina Scivally  
[precious.bell@mavs.uta.edu](mailto:precious.bell@mavs.uta.edu)  
[lms1135@mavs.uta.edu](mailto:lms1135@mavs.uta.edu)

### Interested in Becoming a USL?

[Click here!](#) You can also contact [Precious Bell](#) or [Laina Scivally](#)  
[Click here for the USL Application](#)

### Scholarship Opportunities

Get Scholarships [TODAY!!!](#)



Sign In

Opportunities

#### All Opportunities

Show Filters

Welcome to Mavs ScholarShop, UTA's online scholarship system! Mavs ScholarShop is a one-stop shop designed to give you the most comprehensive access to UTA's generous scholarship offerings.

#### Your Scholarship Opportunities

As a current or newly-admitted student, Mavs ScholarShop has created a student profile for you – also referred to as a general application – based on your MyMavs information. Your profile is then matched nightly with open scholarship opportunities across campus.

You may be automatically matched with scholarships for which you meet the criteria, and your profile will be available to the awarding department for review. This is not a guarantee of a scholarship. These automatch scholarships will be listed as "None" under the Action column meaning no further action is required on your part.

OR

You may be a good candidate for a scholarship but more information is required. "Apply" will appear under the Action column, and you will have to complete an application specifically designed for that scholarship. These are "Recommended" scholarship opportunities and are not a guaranteed award.

#### All Available Scholarship Opportunities

To browse all available scholarships, click "All" under "Opportunities". Save yourself valuable time and read the scholarship descriptions carefully to determine if you would be a good candidate for the scholarship.

To view scholarship opportunities filtered according to your profile, click "Recommended" under "Opportunities". Recommended does not mean that you will definitely qualify, but it may be a good option for you. To apply directly for a Recommended opportunity, you must complete and submit the additional application associated with that opportunity.

#### Get Started

Log In, Log In to Mavs ScholarShop using your Net ID and password. You can return to this website at any time to review your profile and any new scholarship opportunities. Follow up. Scholarship deadlines vary, so log in often to view any new scholarships or to check on pending scholarships.

## 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)

### [SSW Lending Closet](#)

## CALLING SOCIAL WORK ALUMNI!



BSW & MSW students would like you to donate your cap, gown, and hood to the Lending Closet at UTA! If you would like to donate, please reach out to the contacts below.

#### CONTACT US:

[Precious.Bell@mavs.uta.edu](mailto:Precious.Bell@mavs.uta.edu)  
[lms1135@mavs.uta.edu](mailto:lms1135@mavs.uta.edu)  
[Shermell.Osborne@uta.edu](mailto:Shermell.Osborne@uta.edu)

SCAN HERE



## Thank You

SSW Lending Closet

**BSW and new BS in Substance Use & Treatment  
Information Session**

**THE WORLD**  
*talks* **ABOUT**  
**CHANGE, BUT**  
**WE** *create*  
**CHANGE.**

Academic recruiters from the UTA School of Social Work will provide you with an overview of the career fields, jobs, application and admissions process. Recruiters will also discuss the academic program structure for the Bachelor of Social Work degree and for the new Bachelor of Science in Substance Use & Treatment degree.

**When is it? Tuesday Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm to 7:00pm**

**Location? Social Work Complex B Room 133**

**Interested in joining? [Click Here!](#)**

## Job Opportunities

### Bhojani for Texas Job Opportunity

# WE'RE HIRING!

#### HOURLY DEMOCRATIC ORGANIZERS

Join us in making history as we work to elect the first Muslim and South Asian member of the Texas Legislature!

We are looking to hire passionate and talented Organizers. Each team member will work up to 40 hours per week and will be paid \$20 an hour.

**BHOJANI**  
DEMOCRAT FOR HD-92

**WOMEN, PEOPLE OF COLOR, AND LGBTQIA+  
APPLICANTS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.**

To apply: Please send your resume and cover letter to [Team@bhojanifortexas.com](mailto:Team@bhojanifortexas.com)

Click [HERE](#) for more Information!

## Fall 2022 IPE Activity

**Domestic Violence Simulation-  
"In Her Shoes"** Date: October  
4th-18th Format: Asynchronous  
Online Focus: In Her Shoes series  
is designed for experiential  
learning about domestic  
violence. Students will be  
debriefed after the activity and  
supportive resources are  
provided. "In Her Shoes Sign Up  
Fall 2022.xlsx IPE Domestic  
Violence Simulation-"Escalation"  
Date: October 6th at 7pm  
Format: Synchronous online and  
in person Focus: This 38-minute  
film follows the story of a college  
couple from the sweet  
beginnings of their relationship  
to the tragic end. The film  
examines the warning signs of an  
abusive relationship. Students  
will be debriefed after the  
activity and supportive resources  
are provided. Sign up link:  
Escalation Sign Up.xlsx  
Newsletter each other to enable  
effective collaboration and  
improve health outcomes"  
(WHO, 2010).

Click [HERE](#) to learn more



# Upcoming Events within UTA



**JOIN US!**



# STUDENTS FOR GLOBAL CHANGE

## SIGN UP NOW

Meetings every 2nd Thursday of each month on our teams channel: <https://bit.ly/3TgYgBl>

Next meeting:

**10.13.22**  
**4 PM**

for more information, contact us at

[SGC.UTA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SGC.UTA@GMAIL.COM)

## Field Placement Opportunity for Catholic Social Work Students

**LOOKING FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE:**

- Practicing Catholic
- Local (the school is in Arlington, close to UTA)
- Interested in social work in schools or with children and families

Block and Split Placements available depending on start date  
If you are interested in a field placement within a Catholic K-8 school, please reach out to Dr. Regina Praetorius.

[rtpraetorious@uta.edu](mailto:rtpraetorious@uta.edu)

School Of Social Work  
Welcomes you to the  
**Honors College**  
Info Session

**October 27**  
Thursday

**3pm-5pm Room B107**

Learn more about the Honors program while engaging with other students and organizations  
Light Refreshments will be served!

# DOGGY DAZE IS BACK!

**DOGGY DAZE IS RETURNING FOR A FUN-FILLED FALL SEMESTER!**

Stop by and de-stress with the cutest pups Arlington has to offer!

September 14

October 12

November 9



## LUNAFEST

Join the Gender, Women & Sexuality Studies program in LUNAFEST—films by and about women. Attend the reception after, which will have food and drinks.

**When? October 21<sup>st</sup> @7pm**

**Where? Lone Star Auditorium**  
500 W Nedderman Dr.  
Arlington, TX

## [UTA Academic Calendar](#)

## [Evidence-Based Practice Research Guide](#)

### MANAGING STRESS AND ANXIETY DURING COVID-19

UTA COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

#### THERAPIST ASSISTED ONLINE (TAO)

Visit [TAOconnect.org](http://TAOconnect.org)



#### THRIVE APP



Download "Thrive at UT" on App Store or Google Play

Visit [uta.edu/caps](http://uta.edu/caps) for more information

#### MAVS TALK 24HR CRISIS LINE

Call (817)272-8255



UTA is a...  
COMMUNITY THAT CARES



## [SAR Center](#)

(Formerly Office of Students with Disabilities)

## Survivor Support Group

Hosted by Tiffany Bland, Confidential Advocate

EVERY TUESDAY 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

301 Ransom Hall

### 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.



## KNOW YOUR STATUS

No cost & confidential HIV testing

CALL OR TEXT TO SETUP AN APPOINTMENT!

PHONE: 822-678-6965  
EMAIL: [TYLERB@MHMRTC.ORG](mailto:TYLERB@MHMRTC.ORG)

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

### Webinar Library

Isabella Hong, an MSW Alum, graciously compiled a list of webinar resources and a video going over the basic functioning of Teams to any who may need assistance. Special thanks to Jose B. Yerena, LCPAA, who has taken over updating the list on a weekly basis! **Please note that it is necessary to ask your supervisor permission for these to count towards any required field hours.**

[MSW Specialties](#)

[Social Work Webinars List](#)

[Basic Function of Teams](#)

### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 Maria Cruz [mxc5965@mavs.uta.edu](mailto:mxc5965@mavs.uta.edu)



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