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Update for March 06 – 10, 2023



**Be on the
lookout for a
new format
of the MSW
Newsletter!**

SOCIAL JUSTICE SPOTLIGHT

Celebrate National Social Work Month with Us!

According to the [National Day Calendar](#), in 1963 the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) developed National Social Work History Month, and in 1984 it was officially recognized by President Ronald Reagan under Proclamation 5167.

The theme this year is "Social Work Breaks Barriers," which can be accomplished by social workers from the micro-, mezzo- and macro-levels!

Social Workers are breaking barriers daily, like Jennifer Garross who helps individuals who experience mental health crises through the Chicago Crisis Assistance Response and Engagement (CARE) program, Kristina M. Whiton-O'Brien who helps individuals with voting access through Vot-ER, and Caitlyn Ryan who helps families with the acceptance process of children who identify as LGBTQIA2S+ through the Family Acceptance Project.

Through your chosen specialty and future career, you too can break barriers for the populations you feel most passionate about!

[Click HERE to read more about the NASW's theme for this month.](#)

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



My name is Blake McCafferty, and I am an Army veteran. I spent nine years in the service. I helped my Soldiers grow, so that they get the most out of life. My undergraduate program was in Emergency and Disaster Management. I joined the GSL program to help students, like with my Soldiers, with questions as they go through the MSW program. My goals are to help you experience your best years at the university. I want you to grow and help the way you are training and learning. We are the future and are the ones that can make a difference. In everything you do, realize that you can achieve what you put your mind to. You could be the one, the one that ends the negative in society bringing out the brightest picture.

Interests: writing songs, research, and helping overcome challenges.

Interested in becoming a GSL? [Click here!](#)

YOU MATTER

Consistency

Within this new year, many individuals want to make change for the better. The first step is to identify the problems within ourselves. Finding our failures and accepting it as a big mistake, then that is the first progress of change.

Second, observing plateaus in life may help benefit your goals. Acknowledging your previous failures will help you strive for consistency.

Once you acknowledge it, change your habits. Examples could be cooking food at home rather than eating out, studying more at the library, finding a gym and sticking to a plan, or deleting social media to focus on building confidence, self-esteem, and security.

Consistency will change you for the better. In order to better yourself, you must make a change for improvement.

So therefore, stay consistent!

Best Regards,
Andwelah Givens
The University of Texas at Arlington
BSW Student



My name is Traecia Nichols, I am the Student Success Coordinator for the School of Social Work. In my role I work with students who are facing crises and need help accessing university

and community resources. This section will consist of resources that are available to you as a student. If you are in need of resources or have any questions or concerns, please contact me at traecia.nichols@uta.edu.

RESOURCE OF THE WEEK

Student Employment

The Division employs over 500 students in various capacities. We use Handshake as our application platform, and we'd love you to learn more about the variety of opportunities across the division by looking at our Student Employment page. To find the current listing of job opportunities follow the link below.

Contact Information

Website: <https://www.uta.edu/student-success/about/employment>

[Represent Social Work by clicking HERE and purchasing your own t-shirt or sweater!](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

SPRING 2023

- March 13 – March 17: Spring Vacation
- March 31: Last day to drop classes (submit a request to advisors by 4pm); last day to apply for Summer Field in InPlace
- April 03: Registration Opens for Summer 2023 & Fall 2023
- April 23: co-hort students deadline to drop courses
- May 02: Last day of classes
- May 03: Student Study Day (No classes)
- May 04 – May 10: Final Exams
- May 12: Commencement Ceremonies (Tentative)
- May 24: Final official transcripts due for courses taken outside of UTA

Graduating? Check your Outlook MyMav!

- Go to your MyMav student center
- Select "Apply for Graduation" in the drop-down menu
- Pay the \$40 application fee
- Complete Exit Survey
- Monitor your student email for notices from the graduation desk
- Please click [here](#) for more information regarding how to apply for graduation.
- **Additional graduation information such as attire and purchasing honor cords can be found by clicking [here](#)**



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 [Martaya Brown](#) or [Lecia Edwards](#) to get connected!

Connections Lab Highlight

Attend Tutoring Office Hour March 20th, 6pm: [Proof Checking Your Paper](#)

[Click HERE to schedule a session with our Connections Lab tutors](#)

Study tip: Use the buddy system

A study of college students at 38 different US institutions revealed that of the 78% that participated in study groups, 70% reported that being in a study group increased their motivation to study. 60% also reported that their level of learning increased in the group setting. Reach out to your classmates today to form a study group & utilize this academic hack.

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.

FIELD POWER HOURS

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

- Aging, CAP & Health (Interim Field Advisor for Mental Health last names A-L)
 - Field Advisor: Natalie Mangham
 - 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, 2-3 pm
 - [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- Children & Families
 - Field Advisor: Monica Brown
 - 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month, 4-5 pm
 - [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- BSW/BSSUT (Interim Field Advisor for Mental Health last names M-Z)
 - Field Advisor: Sharon Martin
 - 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, 3-4 pm
 - [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- Foundation
 - Field Advisor: Andrea Jameson
 - 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month, 6-7 pm
 - [Click here to join the meeting](#)

EVENTS

EpicMa's SCHEDULE

PROGRAM FACILITATORS:
 Hayden Blackburn, Executive Director at TechWV
 Dev'n Goodman, Engagement Manager at TechWV

Week 1: 2.26.23 Entrepreneurial Mindset	Week 2: 2.27.23 Fall in Love with the Problem: Customer Discovery & Development	Week 3: 2.28.23 "I have an idea - what's next?" Prototyping & Product Design	Week 4: 2.16.23 Social Entrepreneur: Solving Community Problems
Week 5: 2.23.23 Startup Stories: MaxPitch Winners UTA Alumni	Week 6: 3.2.23 Don't stop at the first 'No'	Week 7: 3.9.23 Bootstrapping: Launching and growing with your own resources	Week 8: 3.16.23 Spring Break: No Session
Week 9: 3.23.23 Angel Funding Q&A: Green Lights & Red Flags	Week 10: 3.30.23 Lessons in Failure	Week 11: 4.6.23 Digital Marketing	Week 12: 4.13.23 Founders' Health & Self-Care: Entrepreneurship Mental Health

POINTS OF DISCUSSION
 • Foundation vs. Advanced students
 • The five specialties

JOIN US FOR OUR VIRTUAL NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

PRESENTED BY
 DR. JOYCE WHITE, DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE PROGRAMS & GRADUATE STUDENT LEADERS
 AARON FERRIS
 MARY BELL
 REGAN LEBLIE
 JORDAN WARD

Graduate leadership certificate program
 Military certificates

MARCH 09 12-1:30PM

SCAN HERE TO JOIN US!

• GSI program
 • Upcoming "Developing an MSW Identity Workshop"

CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE MEETING

PRISM
 LGBTQ+ Community Conversations

Join the LGBTQ+ Program for an opportunity to connect with other queer students and discuss all topics relating to the LGBTQ+ community

UTA LGBTQ+ Program
 Division of Student Affairs

Mondays 1-2
 Central Library Room 318

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

The University of Texas Arlington has developed the EDGE Program (Empowerment, Development, and Growth in Education for Hispanic Graduate Students), to increase post-baccalaureate support and services to students. Students who are awarded funds from the EDGE Program Scholarship are expected to participate in activities with the EDGE Center, these include professional development workshops, academic skill building sessions, and activities outside of the classroom. **Applicants can be from any graduate Master's degree program at UT Arlington.**

If you, or someone you know is in a Master's program at UTA, you/they might want to check out this scholarship. It's for graduate students, under-represented backgrounds and we are awarding for this current Spring 2023 semester. Awards are \$1,000 and the application closes 3/17/2023.

IPE Distinction Certificate

Interprofessional education (IPE) is "when students from two or more professions learn about, from and with each other" (WHO, 2010).

Have you participated in IPE activities while attending UTA? Want to be recognized for your hard work?

Apply for an IPE Distinction Certificate!

Requirements:

- Must have completed at least two IPE activities while attending UTA
- Must be able to discuss the IPE activities in which you participated
- Submit a copy of your resume that includes the IPE activities

To fill out an application **CLICK HERE!**

Applications are due April 9th, 2023
 Questions? Contact: Professor Tracy Orwig
 tracorwig@uta.edu

MSW Thesis Peer Support

Click the flyer to fill in an interest form at <https://forms.office.com/r/WvDpexyaf>

We're looking to start an ongoing group that will share a Teams chat to provide a space for coworking and support

BRANDENBURG GRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

DEADLINE: APRIL 14, 2023

\$2,500

These scholarships are open to any UTA graduate student (master's) research Apply or creative work related to that relates opportunity to the United States. The scholarship is intended to help support graduate student work and can cover tuition, books and research costs, and other costs related to professional conferences and associations.

CONTACT INFORMATION:
 Dr. Susan McQuinn Miller
 Chair of the Selection Committee
 mcquinn@uta.edu

Get questions? Contact 817-272-2939 or visit emas.uta.edu

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Statewide Child Protective Investigator
Virtual Career Fair
 Same Day Interviews
March 28, 2023
https://www.dfps.state.tx.us/Jobs/job_fairs.asp

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND BENEFITS FOR THERAPISTS

Trillium Family Services is committed to the provision of staff training and development opportunities for our Child & Family Therapists in order to promote professional growth and development. Orientation and classroom training are provided for all new employees. This Professional Staff Development Program includes in-service activities scheduled in advance and conducted on an ongoing basis. The Training and Development Program includes opportunities to participate in training outside the organization, such as workshops, institutes, seminars and formal continuing education courses. CSDs are available for some courses.

Prior to obtaining a license as a professional counselor, you will be required to have weekly or monthly clinical supervision for up to 2 years or more. We provide free in-house supervision, which costs an average of \$100/hour. This temporary benefit saves our employees many thousands of dollars. We hold a high value on the wealth of experience new employees bring to our organization. We believe employees are our greatest asset and continue to seek ways to improve employee satisfaction and retention such as our benefits summarized below.

CLINICAL LICENSURE SUPERVISION

Employees may receive free clinical supervision for licensure in the following ways:

- Individual and group supervision is offered internally.
- Employees will be allowed to flex time as appropriate and feasible to accommodate supervision time needs.
- Employees will have access to internal licensed supervisors as they are available.
- For employees unable to use internal supervisory resources, they will be reimbursed for external supervision expenses up to \$30.00 per hour for the required hours as indicated by the licensing board. Reimbursement amount is not to exceed \$120 per month.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



****Need of internship or volunteer hours?**

Housing Forward (previously MDHA) is looking for in-person help for a short time. It would be mostly office and clerical work. If anyone is interested, please reach out to Stephanie Mace by 12pm on Monday, March 06 . You can contact Ms. Mace via email at smace@unitedwaydallas.org.

May 18 2023
 27th Annual UTA Scholarship Benefit Powwow

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Learn about Native American Culture while helping the community

When: March 18
 Where: UTA MAC

If you are interested please email Stephanie Mace: smace@unitedwaydallas.org

Please note: If you are hoping to fulfill internship hours with this opportunity, you will need to get approval from your supervisor.

UTA Academic Calendar

UTA Library Accessibility

MAVS UNITE

Created for you!



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)

THERAPIST ASSISTED ONLINE (TAO)

Visit TAOconnect.org



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Visit uta.edu/caps for more information

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- Brainstorming ideas
- APA formatting
- Writing flow & structure
- Meeting requirements
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- Avoiding plagiarism

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UTA
Academic Success Center
Office of Student Success

Information for Students

Our Services

Peer-Led Team Learning (PLTL)
Peer-Led Team Learning (PLTL) is a research-based approach to learning that involves students working together in small groups to learn from each other. PLTL is a free for students but requires registration required during first semester.

Supplemental Instruction (SI)
Supplemental Instruction (SI) is a free for students but requires registration required during first semester.

Tutoring
Tutoring is available for all students who have completed the following qualifications:

Academic Coaching
Academic Coaching is a free for students but requires registration required during first semester.

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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).

The Lifeline is **FREE**, confidential, and always available.

HELP a loved one, a friend, or yourself.

Community crisis centers answer Lifeline calls.

NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE
1-800-273-TALK (8255)
suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Learn the Warning Signs.

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 Jordon Ward: jxw9372@mavs.uta.edu or Reagan Leslie: reagan.leslie@uta.edu



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"One person can make a difference, and everyone should try."
— John Fitzgerald Kennedy