

WEEKLY UPDATE
February 07, 2023

SOCIAL JUSTICE SPOTLIGHT

Celebrate Black History Month with Us!

This February we celebrate the 47th annual Black History Month (or 37th depending on your perception – [Public Law 99-244 was passed in 1986](#)), which serves as both a necessary reminder for the significantly dark history of slavery in our nation and commemoration of all the wonderful accomplishments African Americans have achieved over the centuries since America's beginning.

The Library of Congress has published a collection called, "Voices Remembering Slavery: Freed People Tell Their Stories."

This online collection contains 61 audio recordings taped between 1932 and 1975 of 22 former slaves recollecting their experiences as Black people living in America.

To learn from our nations' history and honor the lives of those who experienced slavery on American soil you may listen to their voices here: [Voices Remembering Slavery: Freed People Tell Their Stories, Available Online | Library of Congress \(loc.gov\)](#).

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Hello fellow Mavs! My name is Chloé Glenn. I am in my final semester of my foundation year at UTA, and I plan on concentrating in Mental Health and Substance Abuse. This is my first semester as a GSL. I received my bachelor's in psychology from Austin College and have since worked as an adult probation officer. I plan on continuing working with offenders after graduation. In my free time I love to spend time with my family, listen to crime podcasts and baking new recipes. I look forward to serving UTA as a GSL Intern this semester and am excited to contribute to the success of the MSW program!

Interested in becoming a GSL?

[Click here!](#)

YOU MATTER

Breaking Bad Habits

When starting a goal, always remember that: habits and actions are two different things. When it comes to improvement, it starts by changing the bad habits. Reaching a goal depends on what type of habits you have. It could be by losing weight, having a good GPA, graduating on time, wanting to reach higher education, etc.

In order to fix your habits, you must stay consistent and pursue the main goal. If the goal is not attainable, then the habits does not match it. Staying consistent means to take away the negative actions. This means to leave old habits to achieve your goal.

Bad friends, peer pressure, alcohol, excess fast food, staying up all night, and procrastination are a few examples of bad habits. Drinking, bingeing, unnecessary lack of sleep, and avoiding homework are examples of actions that are negative. In order to improve on a specific goal, then changing the habits and the actions for achievements.

By doing so, the goal is achievable! By changing your habits and actions, it is achievable to succeed for your objectives. It all starts with the mindset. What are your manifestations? What are you visualizing? Is it negative? Or is it positive?

Therefore, What are your goals and how are you going to achieve it?

Best Regards,
Andwelah Givens

BSW Student, Undergraduate Student Leader, The University of Texas at Arlington



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

MAVS TALK

MAVS TALK is a crisis line that students can utilize to speak to a crisis counselor 24/7. You can contact them at (817)272-TALK(8255).



Contact Information

Website: [Counseling and Psychological Services- CAPS](#)

Location(s): **Ransom Hall** Suite 301
Arlington, TX 76019

Maverick Activities Center Suite 212 500
W. Nedderman Dr.

IMPORTANT DATES

SPRING 2023

- Feb. 01: Census Date (Spring); Summer Field Application Open
- March 01: Last day to apply for Spring '23 graduation (there is a \$60 added fee for late applications)
- March 13 – March 17: Spring Vacation
- March 31: Last day to drop classes; submit a request to advisors by 4pm
- April 03: Registration Opens for Summer 2023 & Fall 2023
- 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!

Need help with an assignment?

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

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

UTA Entrepreneurship and Economic Innovation

Blackstone LaunchPad

Workshop

EMBODYING A SUCCESS MINDSET AND HOW TO HAVE EMOTIONAL WELLBEING IN THE BUSINESS WORLD

MONDAY JAN 30TH 2 PM - 4 PM

IN PERSON AT CENTER OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND ECONOMIC INNOVATION 400 S. CENTER STREET ARLINGTON, TEXAS

PRESENTER
GLEN EARL, LEADERSHIP DEV SR CONSULTANT

Will include Faculty from all 5 Concentrations: Mental Health & Substance Abuse, Aging and Health, Children & Families, Community & Administrative Practice

FIND YOUR MATCH WORKSHOP

Tuesday Feb 21st 12:30-2pm

LOCATION: SSW BUILDING ROOM 1BD

ONLINE ACCESS WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED!

UTA Entrepreneurship and Economic Innovation

WORKSHOP

Intellectual Property, Patents, and Innovation

SPEAKER
TERI SCHULTZ, MS, JD
DIRECTOR OF INNOVATION & COMMERCIALIZATION

Location
CEEI
400 S. Center Street, Arlington, TX 76010

THURSDAY FEB. 9TH 12PM - 1PM

SEATS ARE LIMITED RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY ON STARTUP TREE

go.uta.edu/CEEI

Blackstone LaunchPad

EpicMa's SCHEDULE

PROGRAM FACILITATORS:

- Hayden Blackburn, Director of TechVU
- Dev'n Goodman, Entrepreneurship Manager

Week 1: 1.26.23	Week 2: 2.2.23	Week 3: 2.9.23	Week 4: 2.16.23
Entrepreneurial Mindset	Fall in Love with the Problem: Discovery & Development	"I have an idea - what's next?" Prototyping & Product Design	Social Entrepreneur: Solving Community Problems
Startup Stories: MatchUp Winners UTA Alumni	Don't stop at the first 'No'!	Bootstrapping: Growing with your own resources	Spring Break: No Session
Week 5: 2.23.23	Week 6: 3.2.23	Week 7: 3.9.23	Week 8: 3.16.23
Angel Funding Q&A: Green Lights & Red Flags	Lessons in Failure	Digital Marketing	Founders' Health & Self-Care: Entrepreneurship Mental Health
Week 9: 3.23.23	Week 10: 3.30.23	Week 11: 4.6.23	Week 12: 4.13.23

ETHICAL PRACTICE WITH LGBTQ CLIENTS IN A CHALLENGING POLITICAL CLIMATE

FEBRUARY 17TH | 12:1 PM | ZOOM

PANEL & DISCUSSION

DR. BRITTANIE ASH
FACILITATOR

PANELIST
DEVYN BOLE, LCSW
TECH, TEAM, TIGERS
UTA alum, LGBTQ counselor, & former CPS worker

PANELIST
BRYAN MARIE, MSW
HEIM, HIS
NASW TX professional, & formerly a Health Policy Associate with Texas CASA

ZOOM ID: 8165388123 **HOSTED BY: CHILDREN & FAMILIES CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**

New Student Orientation

March 9th
12pm - 1:30pm

Details Coming Soon!

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

TITLE IV-E STIPEND FOR BSW/MSW STUDENTS

FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN:

- HOW TO APPLY**
- ELIGIBILITY**
- IMPORTANT INFO:**
- FINANCIAL AID**
- APPLICATION DEADLINE**

CONTACT US:
UTASchoolofSocialWork@uta.edu
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UTA School of Social Work

JOIN THE SOCIAL WORKERS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES STUDENT ORGANIZATION!

Join a new student organization for students interested in working in the social work field with children and families!

- NETWORK WITH OTHER UTA STUDENTS -
- HAVE GUESTS/PROFESSIONALS VISITS WITHIN THE SOCIAL WORK FIELD

For those interested in joining please reach out to Oscar Aguilar via email at oscar854@mavs.uta.edu or on Microsoft Teams

SSW CAP GRADUATES

SAMSWS IS COLLECTING ALUMNI CONTACT INFORMATION FOR A CAP ALUMNI NETWORK

SCAN OR CLICK TO REGISTER!

Interested in Social Work with Children + Families?

Join the Social Workers for Children + Families Student Organization

- Network with other UTA students
- Hear from professionals within the social work field

To join, scan the QR code or contact Wendy Thornell through Teams or email wj6416@mavs.uta.edu

MSW Thesis Peer Support

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

Click the flyer to fill in an interest form at <https://forms.office.com/r/WV0xPeyaf>

Interested in macro social work?

The Student Association for Macro Social Work provides Peer Support & Professional Development for students interested in macro social work!

First Mondays 7-8pm via Teams
February 6 - March 6 - April 3 - May 1

For questions, email monica.canizares@mavs.uta.edu

Title IV-E Stipend Program

Interested in starting a career in Child Welfare? Learn more about the Title IV-E Stipend program and its benefits by meeting with a coordinator!

Scan the code or click the link below to schedule your meeting!

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/TitIV-EStipends@bookings.uta.edu/bookings/>

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Accepted Therapy Services

We are looking to expand our team!

Clinical Assistant:
Part-Time 10-20 Hours a Week
Clinical Assistant Will Provide Support To Therapists: Data entry, answering phones, sorting mail, and filing system maintenance

Clinical Therapist:
LCSW, LMFT, LPC, Preferred, LMSW Will Be Considered
The Clinical Therapist Will Be An Independent Contractor. Clinical therapists will establish and maintain their caseload, scheduling, providing therapy sessions, creating treatment plans and progress notes.

"At Accepted Therapy, we want our clients to feel seen, heard, and experience acceptance. Our goal is to provide a safe place for clients to examine their past, live fully in the present, and plan for the future. It is our goal to walk alongside our clients every step of their journey, celebrating wins, grieving losses, and navigating life's demands."

For more information or to submit your resume, email Nikki at: nikki@acceptedtherapy.com

www.acceptedtherapy.com

Accepted Therapy Services
Clinical Therapist

Duties & Responsibilities

- Establish positive trusting rapport with clients
- Provide counseling on an as needed basis, making referrals if necessary
- Conduct ongoing assessments of progress based on treatment plan goals
- Diagnose and treat mental health disorders through evidenced based practices
- Maintain through records of client meetings and progress in treatment
- Respects and maintains client confidentiality
- Attend staff meetings weekly to staff cases

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Skilled in the use of personal computers and related software applications
- Knowledge of basic computer programs including: Google Docs, Google Calendar, Google Meet, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel
- Ability to interact and communicate with people over the telephone, through email, and in person in professional manner
- Knowledge of medical billing procedures

Education Requirements

- Master's degree in social work, counseling, psychology or marriage and family therapy
- Current with all state licensing requirements
- LCSW preferred, LMSWs who are working toward LCSW will be considered
- LPC and LMFTs will also be considered

Working Conditions

- As an independent contractor the Clinical Therapist will have the opportunity to set his or her own schedule (office hours and number of clients seen weekly) at the discretion of the therapist.
- It is the responsibility for the Clinical Therapist to provide technology and bring session and for documentation purposes. Accepted Therapy Services will provide access to email, phone, and the medical record.

For more information or to submit your resume, email Nikki at: nikki@acceptedtherapy.com

Accepted Therapy Services
Clinical Assistant

Duties & Responsibilities

- Respond to telephone and website inquiries from clients or referral sources.
- Invite new clients to initial and schedule client appointments as needed
- Obtain insurance companies to address issues with clients, check eligibility/benefits, orienting issues, or other issues with insurance
- Maintaining filing system to account for insurance payments
- Filing claims and applying payments, as needed
- Prepare reports for missing information (intakes, treatment plans, invoice payments, etc.)
- Tracking of clients who need to be contacted (archived)
- Perform miscellaneous job-related duties as assigned

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Ability to gather data and compile into various reports
- Ability to create, compare, and edit written materials.
- Skilled in the use of personal computers and related software applications.
- Ability to interact and communicate with people over the telephone and email in professional manner
- Knowledge of basic computer programs including: Google Docs, Google Calendar, Google Meet, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel
- Knowledge of medical billing procedures

Education Requirements

- High school diploma or GED required
- Some college or experience preferred

Working Conditions

- Part-Time (10-20 hours a week)
- Light physical effort. Requires handling of average-weight objects up to 30 pounds or none standing or walking
- Some work can be done remotely (phone will be provided but computer is not)

For more information or to submit your resume, email Nikki at: nikki@acceptedtherapy.com

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



SOCIAL WORK ADVOCACY DAY (SWAD) 2023

Save the date!

March 3, 2023

Texas State Capitol

@naswtx_advocacy

[naswtx.org/socialworkers.org](https://www.naswtx.org/socialworkers.org)

NASW TEXAS CHAPTER

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 Stephan.Silva@uta.edu

