# The University of Texas at Austin Steve Hicks School of Social Work

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### Leadership Training in Autism and Neurodevelopmental Disabilities

#### **Interprofessional Instructional Team**

Professor Sandy Magaña from Social Work will lead the course, which will be team taught with the following faculty:

Name	Training	Affiliation
Laura Buckner	Psychology	TCDS Trainer
Meredith Brinster, PhD	School Psychology	Dell Children's Medical Group
Audrey Brumback, MD	Neurology	Dell Med Neurology
Julia Campbell, PhD, AuD	Audiology, Neurosciences	UT, Speech, Language, and Hearing
Lauren Hampton, PhD	Special Ed, BCBA	UT, Special Education
Kristen Padilla PhD	Special Ed, BCBA	Baylor, Educational Psychology
Sheri Ravenscroft, MD	Pediatrics	Dell Medical School Pediatrics
Sal Silinonte, BA	ABA	UT, LEND faculty member
Sandra Vanegas, PhD	Developmental Psychology	Texas Center for Disability Studies
Nick Winges-Yanez	Social Work/Dis Studies	Texas Center for Disability Studies
Amy Yu, MSW	Social Work	SHSSW PhD student
Nina Zuna, PhD	Special Education	Texas Center for Disability Studies

#### I. Standardized Course Description

This course provides interdisciplinary leadership training to students in social work and other health professions on autism spectrum disorders (ASD) and other related disabilities. The course is modeled after the federally funded *Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND)* programs which are offered across the country. Therefore, the course emphasizes core objectives from LEND to advance knowledge and skills in improving health care delivery for all children with developmental disabilities. Like LEND, this course will emphasize the importance of understanding the integration of services, developing community partnerships, and promoting innovative practices to enhance cultural competency, family-centered care, and interdisciplinary partnerships.

#### II. Standardized Course Objectives

- 1. Demonstrate knowledge of neurodevelopmental and related disabilities.
- 2. Discuss the special healthcare needs of individuals with disabilities across the lifespan and their families.

- 3. Evaluate systems of care at the local, regional and national levels.
- 4. Demonstrate skills in cultural sensitivity and competence with respect to disability, age, gender, sexual orientation, religion, race/ethnicity, national origin and culture.
- 5. Critically analyze research, frameworks and clinical practices as they relate to disability issues.

## **III.** Teaching Methods

This course takes an interprofessional education approach to learning. Students will be guided by discussions in which they share their experiences in their professional training programs and reflect upon and share their professional perspectives about the course content. Instructors will ensure that the content presented is inclusive of the different professions represented by students in the class. Students across professional programs will work together on at least one group assignment. This course includes LEND fellows and ACCESS fellows. LEND fellows include students from UT across several disciplines, Baylor students, and family members and self-advocates. ACCESS fellows include UT students from Social Work and Speech, Language and Hearing. The course will be offered as a hybrid model with UT students attending in person and Baylor students and community members having the option to attend virtually. Some instructors will join us in person and others remotely.

## **IV.** Required Materials

Readings and materials for each week will be available on canvas. This may include articles, book chapters, and links to reports, videos and other materials. There may also be prerecorded lectures or other video or online based materials for each session. Some of the readings are on the syllabus, but canvas has the completer and more up-to-date list.

## V. Course Requirements

<u>Class Participation and Attendance</u>- In order to have a rich interprofessional experience, class attendance and participation are important. Students will have the opportunity to learn from each other in lecture and classroom activities. Attendance is worth 14 points. Students can miss one class without point deduction.

Discussion on Weekly Readings and Materials- students will enter comments and/or questions on Canvas discussion by 10PM the night before class, based on the readings and materials for that week. Students should use these questions/comments in class as a basis for class participation. Students can choose from a number of options each week including scholarly readings, videos, and other materials. Graduate students should read at least 1 scholarly article each week. There will be 12 opportunities for posting and students should post 10 out of 12 weeks. Each weekly posting is worth 2 points, total 20.

<u>Out of Classroom training, reflection, and discussion</u>- Students who are not in the ACT LEND program will choose two ACT LEND clinical training sessions and write a two or more-page reflection on each observation. ACT LEND trainees enrolled in the class will attend most of the trainings but **will reflect on two for the class**. During class time, students will have the opportunity to share their experiences with each other noting similarities and differences in professional perspectives. This assignment is worth 26 points (13 for each training). All reflections are due by 12/3. The trainings will be listed on a separate handout with dates/times. Policy One-Pager Working together in interprofessional teams, the class will prepare a disability-related policy one-pager. In-class instruction will be provided. Students will work on this activity

in interdisciplinary teams of 3 to 4. This brief will be the basis of Capitol visits in the Spring for LEND trainees and other interested students. This assignment is worth 20 points and will be due 11/12. Students will share their experiences in class on 10/29 and 11/12.

<u>Dissemination Product</u>- This product can include an infographic, brochure, presentation, or article about a topic covered in class. The use of a graphic design platform (like Canva) is suggested, though not required. Think about who your target audience is, what information should be conveyed, and the best medium for conveying the information. Examples might be a brochure for professionals (in your field) about early detection of autism; an infographic for family members, self-advocates, or community members; or a presentation to a professional or community conference. There are two parts to this assignment, 1) the actual dissemination product; and 2) a presentation to your classmates about your product. Presentations will be conducted 11/19 and 12/3. The dissemination product and PowerPoints are due by 12/3.

Assignment	Points	
Class participation and attendance (13 out of 14)	14	
Weekly reading questions (10 weekly postings, you choose which weeks)	20	
Out of classroom training (2 activities, 13 points each)	26	
Dissemination product (including final presentation)	20	
Policy brief (group project)		
Total	100	

## **Summary of Assignments and Points**

## **VI. Grading Scale**

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94.0 and Above	А	74.0 to 76.999	С
90.0 to 93.999	A-	70.0 to 73.999	C-
87.0 to 89.999	B+	67.0 to 69.999	D+
84.0 to 86.999	В	64.0 to 66.999	D
80.0 to 83.999	B-	60.0 to 63.999	D-
77.0 to 79.999	C+	Below 60.0	F

## **VII. COURSE SCHEDULE**

Wee k	Dat e	Topic/Readings	Assignme nts Due
1	Tue	Review course goals, objectives & syllabus.	
	S	Overview of autism and other neurodevelopmental disabilities,	
	8/27	terminology, definitions, etc. Sandy Magaña and Nina Zuna	
		Readings:	
		America's Children and the Environment, Third Edition (2015).	
		Neurodevelopmental Disorders.	
		Gauy, Blanco-Viera, & Monzani da Rocha (2018). Diagnostic	
		Classification Systems. In J.L. Matson (ed.) Handbook of Childhood	

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		Psychopathology and Developmental Disabilities Assessment.	
		Switzerland; Springer Nature.	
		Additional Resource:	
		Developmental Disabilities Act 2000 (See section 102 for	
		definitions, pp. 6-12).	
2	Tue	Frameworks for the course: Life course theory, Sandy Magaña;	Reading
	S	Cultural diversity in working with children and families,	discussion
	9/3	Sandra Vanegas	
		Readings:	
		Magaña S. & Vanegas, S. (2020). Culture, Race, and Ethnicity and	
		Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. In L.M. Glidden (Ed.)	
		APA Handbook of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.	
		American Psychological Association.	
		Heller, T., & Parker Harris, S. (2012). Chapter 1: Introduction,	
		background, and history. In <i>Disability through the life course</i> (pp.1-	
		28). Sage, Thousand Oaks	
3	Tue	Medical diagnosis of autism and neurodevelopmental	Reading
-	S	disabilities: Drs. Sheri Ravenscroft & Meredith Brinster	discussion
	9/10	Materials:	
		Autism Case Training Modules from CDC. Choose any of them to	
		view	
		CDC Autism learning modules	
		Brief video providing an overview of developmental surveillance	
		and screening	
		https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g4HdXxz25pw	
		Karanth, Prathibha (2020). From aphasia and allied disorders to	
		autism spectrum disorders – A mutualistic symbiotic relationship.	
		Annals of Indian Academy of Neurology.	
		Holley, M., Ravenscroft, S., Brukilacchio, B., Engelmann, M., &	
		Autumn Fikki (2020). Dell Children's (S)TAAR Model of Early	
		Autism Assessment. In M.B. McClain et al. (eds.) Interprofessional	
		Care Coordination for Pediatric Autism Disorder. Switzerland:	
		Springer Nature.	
4	Tue	Early intervention for children on the autism spectrum and	Reading
	s	those with a high likelihood for autism, Lauren Hampton	discussion
	9/17	Readings:	
	-	Pick one of the following on NDBIs	
		-Schreibman et al., (2015). Naturalistic developmental behavioral	
		interventions: Empirically validated treatments for autism spectrum	
		disorder. Journal of Autism and other Developmental Disorders,	
		45:2411-2428.	
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		-10 key policies and practice for developing language- written by	
		Annabel Garza, LEND alum-Videos that focus on teaching	
		strategies (see links on canvas)	
		Pick one from the Teach-Model-Coach- Review category.	
		-Roberts, et al., (2014). Effects of the teach-model-coach-review	
		instructional approach on caregiver use of language support	
		strategies and children's expressive language skills.	
		-Blog post about teaching parents:	
		https://www.veipd.org/earlyintervention/2013/02/05/who-is-the-	
		focus-of-your-visit-adult-learning-early-intervention/	
		-Handout for parents about partnering with parents:	
		https://ei.northwestern.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Partnering-	
		with-parents-handout.pdf	
5	Tue	Biology and genetics of neurodevelopmental disabilities: Audrey	Reading
	S C (D 1	Brumback	discussion
	9/24	Readings:	
		Furfaro, Hannah (2019). Autism diagnosis often followed by	
		identification of other conditions. Spectrum News.	
		State & Sector (2012) The emerging high an of oution another	
		State & Sestan (2012). The emerging biology of autism spectrum disorders. Science, 337, 1301-1303.	
		disolucis. Science, 357, 1301-1305.	
		Simons Foundation (2018). Noncoding mutations contribute to	
		autism risk.	
		https://www.simonsfoundation.org/2018/12/13/noncoding-	
		mutations-autism/	
6	Tue	Person Centered Practice, Laura Buckner from TCDS	Reading
	S	Readings:	discussion
	10/1	Person Centered Thinking, Planning and Practice: A National	
		Environmental Scan of Indicators	
7	Tue	Special Education and school-based interventions, Kristen	Reading
	S	Padilla	discussion
	10/8	Readings:	
		Wright, P., and Wright, P. (2006). Chapter 4: An overview of IDEA	
		2004. in Wrightslaw: Special Education Law, 2nd Edition.	
		de Bruin, C. L., Deppeler, J. M., Moore, D. W., & Diamond, N. T.	
		(2013). Public school-based interventions for adolescents and young adults with an autism spectrum disorder: A meta-analysis. <i>Review of</i>	
		Educational Research, 83(4), 521-550.	
8	Tue	<b>Disability legislative policy and advocacy: Scott Daigle</b>	Reading
0	s	Readings:	discussion
	s 10/1	Scott Daigle, See links on canvas	01500551011
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9	Tue	Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Autism and Developmental	Reading
Í	s	Disabilities	discussion
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	10/2	Sandy Magaña	
	2	<b>Readings:</b> Bishop-Fitzpatrick, & Kind (2017). A scoping review of health disparities in autism spectrum disorder. Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders, 47, 3380-3391.	Share observatio ns
		Magaña, S., Parish, S., Morales, A., Li, H., & Fujiura G. (2016). Racial and ethnic disparities among people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Intellectual and developmental disabilities, 3, 161-172.	
10	Tue s 10/2 9	Transitions to Adulthood/Adult Issues: Nina Zuna/Nick Winges-Yanez. Readings: Schall, C. Wehman, & Carr, S. (2014). Transition from high school to adulthood for adolescents and young adults with autism spectrum disorders. In F. Volkmar, B. Reichow, & J. McPartland (Eds.) Adolescents and Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders. New York: Springer.	Reading discussion Share observatio ns /policy briefs
		Helsey, M. (2015). This Is What Sex Ed for the Intellectually Disabled Looks Like. <i>Vice</i> . Retrieved from <u>https://broadly.vice.com/en_us/article/pg79xm/this-is-what-sex-ed-for-the-intellectually-disabled-looks-like</u>	
		Additional Resources: <u>Disability and Desire</u> (supplemental) <u>NPR - Sex Ed and Intellectual Disability</u> (supplemental) <u>Guest Room short video</u> (supplemental)	
11	Tue s 11/5	Models of disability/ Disability Studies perspectives, Nick Winges-Yanez Readings: Kafer (2013) <u>https://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/utxa/reader.action?docID=118</u> <u>9107&amp;ppg=18</u> (links to UT Library) Cubacub, S. Radical Visibility- <u>ttps://rebirthgarments.com/radical-visibility-zine</u>	Reading discussion
12	Tue s 11/1 2	The importance of Audiology in neurologic assessments, Julia Campbell Readings: Meizen-Derr, J., Wiley, S., Bishop, S., Manning-Courtney, P., Choo, D. I., & Murray, D. (2013). Autism spectrum disorders in 24 children who are deaf or hard of hearing. <i>International Journal of</i>	Reading discussion Policy Brief due
		<ul><li><i>Pediatric Otorhinolaryngology</i>, 78(2014), 112-118.</li><li>Fitzpatrick, E. M., Lambert, L. Whittingham, J. &amp; Leblanc E. (2014). Examination of characteristics and management of children</li></ul>	Share policy briefs

13	Tue s 11/1 9	<ul> <li>with hearing loss and autism spectrum disorders. <i>International Journal of Audiology, 53</i>(9), 577-586.</li> <li>Miron, O., Beam, A. L., &amp; Kohane, I. S. (2018). Auditory brainstem response in infants and children with Autism Spectrum Disorder: A meta-analysis of wave V. <i>International Society for Autism Research and Wiley Periodicals, 11</i>, 355-363.</li> <li>Quality of Life in Adults with Autism and Developmental Disabilities - Amy Yu and Sal Silinonte Readings:</li> </ul>	Reading discussion
		<ul> <li>Schalock, R. L. &amp; Verdugo, M. A. (2014). Quality of life as a change agent. <i>International Public Health Journal</i>, 6(2): 105-117.</li> <li>Kim, S. Y. (2019). The experiences of adults with autism spectrum disorder: Self-determination and quality of life. <i>Research in Autism Spectrum Disorders</i>, 60, 1-15.</li> </ul>	Student Presentatio ns
	11/2 6	Fall Break- no class	
14	Tue s 12/3	Presentation of final projects/ celebrate and evaluations.	Observatio n Papers due Final Product due Student
			Presentatio ns

# **VIII. COURSE POLICIES**

**1. Readings and Preparatory Assignments**: Students are expected to be active and participate in the learning process, and in an interactive framework between collegiate students and professors. Students are also expected to complete readings and preparatory assignments prior to class.

**2. Professional Communication and Interactions:** In this course, students will have the opportunity to practice interprofessional communication. This includes listening and learning from students in different professional training programs and sharing your perspective, all in a respectful way.

**3. Class Attendance Policy:** Class attendance is important as interprofessional learning and activities are a key part of class. Attendance is defined as students' attentive physical or online presence in class for the entire period. The instructor should be notified in advance of any planned absence and as soon as possible in the case of an unforeseen, serious emergency. *Each day counts as 1 point of the attendance grade, students can miss one class and receive full points.* 

**4.** Assignments and Grades: Assignments should be turned in online or in person on the date they are due, barring serious, unforeseen medical illness or family emergencies.

**5.** Use of Canvas: The professor uses Canvas Web-based course management/collective workspace. An orientation will be given the first day of class. If you do not have a personal computer with personal Internet access, there are computers available for your use at the Flawn Academic Center, campus and public libraries.

**6. Course Modification:** To ensure achievement for course objectives, the professor reserves the right to make modifications to any part of this syllabus related to schedule, readings and assignment due dates. Should any modifications be made, students will be notified in class and modifications will be posted to Canvas. Students should check their email frequently. Note that some of the links to documents and videos on the Internet may change. Documents, new links or alternate options will be provided.

## **IX. UNIVERSITY POLICIES**

Attendance and Academic Behavior. At the University of Texas at Austin, regular attendance at all class meetings is expected. Instructors are responsible for implementing an attendance policy and must notify students of any special attendance requirements. See more information at <a href="https://catalog.utexas.edu/general-information/academic-policies-and-procedures/attendance/">https://catalog.utexas.edu/general-information/academic-policies-and-procedures/attendance/</a>. Furthermore, students are expected to abide by the Standards for Social Work Education (available at <a href="https://socialwork.utexas.edu/student-resources/bsw/policies-and-procedures/">https://socialwork.utexas.edu/student-resources/bsw/policies-and-procedures/</a>). The student shows potential for responsible and accountable behavior by being punctual and dependable, prioritizing responsibilities, attending class regularly, observing deadlines, completing assignments on time, and keeping appointments or making appropriate arrangements.

**Religious Holy Days.** A student who misses classes or other required activities, including examinations, for the observance of a religious holy day should inform the instructor as far in advance of the absence as possible so that arrangements can be made to complete an assignment within a reasonable period after the absence. A reasonable accommodation does not include substantial modification to academic standards, or adjustments of requirements essential to any program of instruction. Students and instructors who have questions or concerns about academic accommodations for religious observance or religious beliefs may contact the Center for Access and Restorative Engagement at <a href="https://community.utexas.edu/care/">https://community.utexas.edu/care/</a>. The University does not maintain a list of religious holy days.

**The University of Texas Honor Code.** The core values of The University of Texas at Austin are learning, discovery, freedom, leadership, individual opportunity, and responsibility. Each member of the university is expected to uphold these values through integrity, honesty, trust, fairness, and respect toward peers and community.

**Policy on Academic Integrity.** Students who violate University rules on academic dishonesty are subject to disciplinary penalties, including the possibility of failure in the course and / or dismissal from the University. Since such dishonesty harms the individual, all students, and the integrity of the University, policies on academic dishonesty will be strictly enforced. For further information, please visit the Student Conduct and Academic Integrity website at: <a href="http://deanofstudents.utexas.edu/conduct">http://deanofstudents.utexas.edu/conduct</a>.

**Use of Course Materials.** The materials used in this course, including, but not limited to exams, quizzes, and homework assignments, are copyright protected works. Any unauthorized duplication of the course materials is a violation of federal law and may result in disciplinary action being taken against the student. Additionally, the sharing of course materials without the specific, express approval of the professor may be a violation of the University's Student Honor Code and an act of academic dishonesty, which could result in further disciplinary action. This sharing includes, among other things, uploading class materials to websites for the purpose of distributing those materials to other current or future students.

**University Electronic Mail Student Notification.** Electronic mail (email), like postal mail, is a mechanism for official University communication to students. The University will exercise the right to send email communications to all students, and the University will expect that email communications will be received and read in a timely manner. Students can find UT Austin's policies and instructions for updating their e-mail address

at https://it.utexas.edu/policies/university-electronic-mail-student-notification-policy.

### **Steve Hicks School of Social Work Policies**

**Professional Conduct and Civility in the Classroom.** The professor expects students to act as professionals in class. This means students should arrive on time for class, be prepared to participate in the class discussion, and show respect for one another's opinions. A course brings together a group of diverse individuals with various backgrounds. Students are influenced and shaped by such factors as race, ethnicity, gender, sex, physical abilities, religious and political beliefs, national origins, and sexual orientations, among others. We expect to learn from each other in an atmosphere of positive engagement and mutual respect. This atmosphere includes working intentionally to recognize and dismantle racism, sexism, heterosexism, and ableism in the classroom. Social Work also deals with complex and controversial issues. These issues may be challenging and uncomfortable, and it would be impossible to offer a substantive classroom experience that did not include potentially difficult conversations relating to challenging issues. In this environment, we will be exposed to diverse ideas and opinions, and sometimes we will not agree with the ideas expressed by others. Nevertheless, the professor requires that students engage one another with civility, respect, and professionalism.

**Classroom Confidentiality**. Information shared in class about agencies, clients, and personal matters is considered confidential per the NASW Code of Ethics on educational supervision and is protected by regulations of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) as well. As such, sharing this information with individuals outside of the educational context is not permitted. Violations of confidentiality could result in actions taken according to the policies and procedure for review of academic performance located in sections 3.0, 3.1, and 3.2 of the Standards for Social Work Education.

Unanticipated Distress. Students may experience unexpected and/or distressing reactions to

course readings, videos, conversations, and assignments. If so, students are encouraged to inform the professor. The professor can be responsive and supportive regarding students' participation in course assignments and activities, but students are responsible for communicating clearly what kind of support is desired. If counseling is needed, students may contact a service provider of their choosing, including the UT Counseling and Mental Health Center at 512-471-3515 or online at <u>https://cmhc.utexas.edu/</u>.

**Policy on Social Media and Professional Communication.** Public social networks are not private. Even when open only to approved or invited members, users cannot be certain that privacy will exist among the general membership of sites. If social work students choose to participate in such forums, please assume that anything posted can be seen, read, and critiqued. What is said, posted, linked to, commented on, uploaded, subscribed to, etc., can be accessed and archived, posing potential harm to professional reputations and prospective careers.

Social work students who use social media (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) and other forms of electronic communication (e.g. blogs) must be mindful of how their communication may be perceived by clients, colleagues, faculty, and others. Social work students are expected to make every effort to minimize material which could be considered inappropriate for a professional social worker in training. Because of this, social work students are advised to manage security settings at their most private levels and avoid posting information/photos or using any language that could jeopardize their professional image.

Students are asked to consider the amount of personal information posted on these sites and are obliged to block any client access to involvement in the students' social networks. Client material should not be referred to in any form of electronic media, including *any* information that might lead to the identification of a client or compromise client confidentiality in *any* way. Additionally, students must critically evaluate any material that is posted regarding community agencies and professional relationships, as certain material could violate the standards set by the School of Social Work, the Texas Code of Conduct for Social Workers, and/or the NASW Code of Ethics.

Social work students should consider that they will be representing professional social work practice as well as The University of Texas at Austin School of Social Work program while in the classroom, the university community, and the broader area communities.

### **Resources, Prevention of Discrimination, and Safety**

**Disability Accommodation Statement.** If you are a student with a disability, or think you may have a disability, and need accommodations please contact Disability and Access (D&A). You may refer to D&A's website for contact and more information: <u>https://community.utexas.edu/disability/</u>. If you are already registered with D&A, please deliver your Accommodation Letter to me as early as possible in the semester so we can discuss your approved accommodations and how they apply in my class.

**Behavior Concerns and Covid-19 Advice Line (BCCAL).** If students have concerns about their behavioral health, or if they are concerned about the behavioral health of someone else, students may use the Behavior Concerns and COVID-19 Advice Line to discuss by phone their

concerns. This service is provided through a partnership between the Office of the Dean of Students, the Counseling and Mental Health Center (CMHC), the Employee Assistance Program (EAP), and The University of Texas Police Department (UTPD). Call 512-232-5050 or visit <u>https://safety.utexas.edu/behavior-concerns-advice-line</u>. The Behavior Concerns and COVID-19 Advice Line has been expanded to support The University of Texas at Austin community during the COVID-19 pandemic. By calling 512-232-5050 - Option 2 for COVID-19, students, faculty and staff can be assisted in English and Spanish with COVID-19 support.

**Covid-19 Related Information.** The University's policies and practices related to the pandemic may be accessed at: <u>https://protect.utexas.edu/</u>

**Title IX Reporting**. In accordance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the University of Texas at Austin is committed to maintaining a learning environment that is free from discriminatory conduct on the basis of sex <u>https://titleix.utexas.edu/</u>. Faculty, field instructors, staff, and/or teaching assistants in their supervisory roles are mandated reporters of incidents of sex discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual violence, stalking, dating violence, or any other forms of sexual misconduct. Students who report such incidents will be informed of University resources. Incidents will be reported to the University's Title IX Coordinator. Further information, including student resources related to Title IX, may also be found at <u>https://titleix.utexas.edu/</u>.

Title IX Accommodations for Those Pregnant, Nursing and Parenting. Pregnant, nursing and parenting students, faculty, and staff are eligible for accommodations through the Title IX Office that support equal access to education and work and prevent discrimination. Students may reach out to the Title IX Office for help with accommodations to make up missed classes, complete missed coursework, keep them safe in the classroom, apply for leaves of absence, receive priority registration and other related support. Faculty and staff, including undergraduate students who work on campus and graduate student employees, may reach out for assistance with job or schedule restructuring and obtaining modified or additional work equipment. Visit the <u>Title IX pregnancy and parenting resource page</u> for more information or contact the <u>Title IX Support and Resources team</u> connect with a Case Manager.

**Campus Carry Policy.** The University's policy on campus carry may be found here: <u>https://campuscarry.utexas.edu</u>.

**Safety.** As part of professional social work education, students may have assignments that involve working in agency settings and/or the community. As such, these assignments may present some risks. Sound choices and caution may lower risks inherent to the profession. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of and adhere to policies and practices related to agency and/or community safety. Students should notify the professor regarding any safety concerns.

**Emergency Evacuation Policy.** Occupants of buildings on the UT Austin campus are required to evacuate and assemble outside when a fire alarm is activated or an announcement is made. Please be aware of the following policies regarding evacuation:

- Familiarize yourself with all exit doors in the classroom and the building. Remember that the nearest exit door may not be the one you used when entering the building.
- If you require assistance to evacuate, inform the professor in writing during the first week of class.
- In the event of an evacuation, follow the professor's instructions.
- Do not re-enter a building unless you are given instructions by the Austin Fire Department, the UT Austin Police Department, or the Fire Prevention Services office.

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