29th Annual Texas School Social Workers Conference

School Social Workers: Transforming Generations

February 26-28, 2020
Doubletree by Hilton Austin

20/20
A Clear Vision for Texas School Social Work

Visit the Texas School Social Workers Conference Website at:
socialwork.utexas.edu/ceu/texas-school-social-workers-conference/

Register On-Line at:
http://utdirect.utexas.edu/txshop
Celebrating our Twenty-Ninth Annual Statewide Conference, the theme 20/20: A Clear Vision for School Social Work, was selected to highlight the growing contributions of school social workers in Texas. The conference is designed to provide school-based social service providers with a wide array of effective techniques and programs to enhance their work as they meet the challenges of the future. Conference participants will leave with new strategies and tools to empower students, parents and school personnel.

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Wednesday Evening Keynote: Solomon Masala

Solomon Masala created the Source Consulting Group to create a team building experience that engages and inspires. Tapping into 25 years of experience and a rare magnetism, Masala delivers the antidote to the usual team development. He has pioneered a captivating blend of potent, experiential, and innovative processes designed to get teams to do what they really want: hit excellence with fulfillment and inspiration. Masala facilitates these powerful experiential trainings in every sector, nationally and internationally. The rhythm program is only one element of these inspiring offerings.

Thursday Morning Keynotes

Lori Holleran Steiker

Lori Holleran Steiker, PhD, is the Steve Hicks Professor of Addiction, Recovery and Substance Use Services at the Steve Hicks School of Social Work, a University Distinguished Teaching Professor. She held an administrative position in the School of Undergraduate Studies as Director of Instruction, Engagement and Wellness, and is now the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies for the University. Holleran Steiker spearheaded overdose prevention and response initiatives on the University of Texas campus, helped start OperationNaloxone.org, and is a Co-PI on the Texas Targeted Opioid Response (TTOR) grant with over $3 million to address the Opioid Crisis and prevent drug overdoses. She is the Founder and a Board Member of University High School (Central Texas's first recovery high school) and has served as the faculty liaison for the University of Texas at Austin’s Center for Students in Recovery since its inception in 2004.

Wilder Foundation School-Based Mental Health Team, St. Paul, MN

Mary Her, Evette Farley, Cristina Combs, Chaneé Rudolph, and María Rios are members of the Wilder Foundation’s School-Based Mental Health team, located in St. Paul, MN. Wilder opened its Child-Guidance Clinic in 1924 and launched school-based services in 1991. Today, Wilder’s school-based mental health program includes culturally specific services for African American, Hmong, and Latinx youth. As clinicians working in a state with significant racial disparities, these presenters are committed to amplifying messages about the urgent need: to disrupt the status quo and to center culture as a source of resilience and strength in our work with young people.
Thursday Awards Luncheon: Representative Diego Bernal

Representative Diego Bernal attended the University of Michigan where he earned his undergraduate degree, Master's in Social Work, and law degree. As a social worker, he helped young gang members in Detroit transition into school or the workforce. During law school, he devoted himself to civil rights advocacy. He spent a summer in New York City with the NAACP Legal Defense Fund and a year at the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF) back in San Antonio. Representative Bernal is committed to improving the quality of life in San Antonio and Texas on every level. His experience in law, advocacy, and art contributes to the vision he brings to the Texas House of Representatives. In June 2011, Representative Bernal was elected to the San Antonio City Council representing District 1. He worked alongside Mayor Julián Castro, former Secretary of Housing & Urban Development. Representative Bernal was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in February 2015. He represents District 123 and currently serves as the Vice Chairman of the House Committee on Public Education. He is also a member of the Local and Consent Calendars Committee and the House Committee on Transportation.

Friday Closing Luncheon: Angela M. Ward

Angela M. Ward, PhD manages the Austin Independent School District (AISD) focus on Cultural Proficiency & Inclusiveness. She directs, organizes and establishes systems and protocols for districtwide Restorative Practices and Culture and Climate innovation. Ward serves as a liaison to the Central Texas Community advocating for the safe, welcoming and inclusive development of identity for all students, particularly those who identify with marginalized and adversely impacted groups. Ward is the mother of Ryan, Jason and wife of Gregg. She was recognized by Ed Week Magazine as a 2019 Leader to Learn From and featured in the Spring 2019 edition of Teaching Tolerance Magazine.
### Institute 1

**Racial Trauma, Cultural Healing, and Social Work Ethics**

Join us as we use the NASW Code of Ethics to support our lifelong journey of learning, specifically related to understanding racial trauma and cultural healing. This program will support attendees in developing strategies grounded in social work values of social justice and the importance of human relationships. The session will integrate small group exercises, videos celebrating cultural resilience, and introduction to frameworks and tools that nurture and challenge us in our social work practice.

Wilderness Foundation, St. Paul, MN
Mary Her, LICSW, Evette Farley, LPCC, Cristina Combs, LICSW, Dr. Chaneé Rudolph, LMFT, PhD
Maria Rios, LGSW

### Institute 2

**The Embodied Ethics of Self Care: A Presentation for Texas School Social Workers**

Dance/Movement Therapy and InterPlay forms will be the vehicle for exploring ethical issues related to self care, vicarious trauma, and compassion fatigue. Participants will explore embodiment practices and body wisdom to enhance self care. This institute will discuss ethical issues, guidelines, and risks and liabilities, of practicing Social Work without an active awareness of how the body informs our moment-to-moment building of helping relationships. Participants will experience creative practices that use a communal system of simple movement, storytelling, and voice forms to create more ease in dealing with the challenges of work and life.

Barbara Jo Stetzelberger, LCSW, BC-DMT
Mind-Body Fit, Austin, TX

### Institute 3

**Implementing Trauma-Informed Practice in Schools: Practical & Ethical Considerations for Meeting the Needs of Students**

In the Austin Independent School District, Trust-Based Relational Intervention© and The Neurosequential Model in Education have been implemented to address the needs of students who may present with experiences of trauma. Participants will learn how trauma-informed practice is being implemented in AISD through a series of related experiential activities that can be used with both students and adults. This session will also provide a brief overview of the nature of trauma that students experience. In addition, attendees will explore ethical concerns around meeting the needs of students experiencing trauma.

Rebecca Murillo, LCSW, SEP and Terri Wood, PhD
Austin ISD

### Institute 4

**Reaching the Reluctants: Exploring Safe Emotional Work in Sandtray Therapy Worlds**

Reluctant individuals can experience non-verbal, right-brain oriented approaches like Sandtray Therapy as less threatening because verbal communication is suspended. Sandtray Therapy allows for safe emotional release through symbolism and projection of feelings through the creation of miniature worlds. As sand tray merges right-brain creativity with left-brain logic it fosters unique, deep work opportunities to create internal changes that can significantly impact external realities. Come explore this place where self-confidence can be retooled - safely failing forward while trying new ideas, reconnecting to the best parts of one’s self and regaining life’s momentum. Literally, creating new pathways in the sand can lead to new ways of being.

Kathy Morgan, LPC, CCST, & Jennifer Gamewell, LPC, CCST, CPDPE, Private Practice

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**Wednesday Night Events**

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. • **Opening Session**

20/20: Let the Rhythm Rock the Vision!
Solomon Masala, Source Consulting Group, Austin, TX

Using the thrilling power of interactive rhythm, we’ll spark connections and align our vision! With an instrument in every hand (no prior musical experience necessary) we’ll create the powerful ensemble of community. In this energizing opening session, every voice matters and each person contributes to the vision and the groove. This opening is a powerful (and exhilarating!) experience of unity, connection and community building through rhythm making. As we join together we’ll welcome each other and celebrate the beautiful contributions that you make to children, families and communities in Texas and beyond.

8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. • **Dessert Reception**

Thursday, February 27, 2020

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND REGIONAL MEETINGS
7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

PLENARY SESSION
8:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
Welcome: Mary Beer, LCSW, Conference Chair, Steve Hicks School of Social Work, UT Austin

Keynote Presentations:
8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
Lori Holleran Steiker, PhD
Opioid Misuse in Adolescents: Prevention and Detection

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Trauma-Informed Must Be Race-Informed: Culturally-Affirming Strategies to Partner with Students, Families, and Communities
Wilder Foundation Team, St. Paul, MN

AWARDS LUNCHEON
11:50 a.m. - 1:25 p.m.
Presentation of the 20th Annual Kathy Armenta Texas School Social Worker of the Year Award
Speaker: Representative Diego Bernal

SESSION I
1:40 - 3:10 p.m.

1A) Therapeutic Games and Activities to Help Students with Special Needs to Improve Executive Functions of the Brain (E)
Norma Leben, LCSW, ACSW, RPT-S, CPT-P, Morning Glory Treatment Center for Children

1B) Social Work It! Sustainability Tools & Approaches for the Overwhelmed School Social Worker (NS)
Armando Sanchez, LMSW, KIPP Texas / SW Pro Consulting, LLC

1C) The Thing We All Have: Understanding the Brain (B)
Kaity Stone, LMSW, MA & Steffanie Strawbridge, LCSW-S, Fort Worth ISD

1D) Identifying and Responding to Opioid Overdoses with Naloxone (NS)
Lucas G. Hill, PharmD, BCPS, BCACP, UT Austin College of Pharmacy

1E) Adult Social Emotional Competence and Wellness (B)
Sharon Bradley, MEd, Plano ISD

1F) XY Zone - A School-Based Youth Development Model (S)
Robert Bachicha, Communities in Schools of Central Texas

1G) It's Dangerous to Go Alone! Incorporating Video Game Culture into Your Social Work Practice (S)
Alexandria Waxer, LMSW, Communities in Schools of Houston

SESSION II
3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

2A) School Social Workers of Texas - Together We Are Stronger (NS)
Lara Hulin, LCSW, LCDC, Houston ISD, Lisa Vernon, LCSW, Frisco ISD & Blanca McGee, LCSW, Grand Prairie ISD

2B) Motivational Interviewing with Students: Empowering Youth to Make Behavior Changes They Believe In (S)
Ellen Wilder, LMSW, Austin Discovery School

2C) Healthy Adults and Healthy Kids: Integrating a Multi Systemic Model of Psychological Care in Schools (B)
Laura Rifkin, LCSW, Vida Clinic & Emily Schultz, LCSW, Vida Clinic

2D) Addressing Opioid Use in School Settings: What Social Workers Need to Know (NS)
Loree S. LaChance, MHA, MSN, RN, NCSN Austin ISD & Dell Children's Medical Center
Lucas G. Hill, PharmD, BCPS, BCACP, UT Austin College of Pharmacy

2E) Building Student Resilience and Helping Students Thrive in a Digital World (B)
Sharon Bradley, MEd, Plano ISD

2F) Race-Based Trauma: Living While Black - Multicultural and Social Justice Issues (B)
Tanya Rollins, MSW, Texas Department of Family and Protective Services

2G) Identification and Providing Supports for Homeless Students, Regardless of Citizenship (B)
Carmen Thatcher, LCSW, & Sandra Villarreal, LMSW, San Antonio ISD

Texas School Social Workers Networking Meeting
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Complimentary Happy Hour
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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MOVEMENT / WELLNESS ACTIVITY
6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

SESSION III
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m

3A) Embracing Your Inner Superhero: Adding Tools to Your Utility Belt to Enhance Self Care and Creativity (B)
Kaity Stone, LMSW, MA, Fort Worth ISD

3B) A School Social Workers Guide to Building a Community of Support Within Schools (B)
Colleen Arnold, LCSW-S, Steve Hicks School of Social Work and Private Practice, & Dane DeCiero, LCSW, KIPP Austin College Prep

3C) Growth Mindset: Helping Students Ditch the Labels to Become Limitless
Chloé LaPorte, LMSW, Girls Empowerment Network

3D) Promoting High School Graduation through Effective Mentoring Strategies & Techniques (B)
Claudia M. González, LBSW, Erika Salinas, LBSW
Melissa Garcia, LMSW, La Joya ISD

3E) What You Need to Know About Texas Education Legislation (B)
Stacey Jordan, MSW, UT Austin

3F) In Their Shoes: Teens and Dating Violence (S)
* limited to 36 participants
Amy Dossett, MS, & Casey Harrelson, BA, Safe Haven of Tarrant County

3G) Enhancing Social Work Practice with Boys
Adam McCormick, PhD, MSSW, Marissa Sanchez, BSW Student, & Hannah Jurgens, BSW Student, St. Edwards University

SESSION IV
10:20 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.

4A) We're Not in Kansas Anymore: Working with Non-Social Work School Personnel (NS)
Steffanie Strawbridge, LCSW-S, Fort Worth ISD

4B) The Basics of ADHD: May I Have Your Attention Please (B)
Jennifer L. Cervantes, LMSW, & Dinah Goodwin, LCSW, Baylor College of Medicine at Texas Children’s Hospital

4C) Stretching the Safety Net: Supporting College Transition for Vulnerable Student Populations (NS)
Kolby Robinson, LMSW, & Hope Pacheco, LMSW, University of Houston

4D) Understanding and Supporting LGBTQ+ Youth: The Stories and Numbers Project
Stephen Russell, PhD, Human Development and Family Sciences, UT Austin

4E) PreK-12 Homeless Education Laws and Implementation (B)
Jeanne Stamp, ACSW, LCSW, LMFT, LCDC, Texas Homeless Education Network

4F) Creative Arts for Children Who Have Experienced Trauma (B)
Donalyn Heise, EdD, College of Fine Arts, UT Austin

4G) Peaceful Eagles: Starting a Cooperative Mindfulness Mentoring Program for High School Students (S)
Misty Lindsey, BA, and Shawn Kent, LPC, Akins High School, Austin ISD, and Colleen Arnold, LCSW-S, Steve Hicks School of Social Work & Private Practice

CLOSING LUNCHEON
12:10 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Keynote Presentation:
And How Are the Children?
Angela Ward, PhD, Austin Independent School District/2Ward Equity Consulting

How are the children? This is a question not often asked by the adults responsible for their welfare in schools or social service organizations. As a public school administrator, Dr. Angela M. Ward recognizes the important role social workers play as preventive partners, using a culturally responsive focus on restorative practices. What would our schools look and feel like if we collectively focused on prevention rather than reaction to trauma, conflict and the societal ills that impact student social, academic and mental health?
The Planning Committee of the Twenty-Ninth Annual Texas School Social Workers Conference, 20/20: A Clear Vision for School Social Work, is seeking nominees for an annual award recognizing excellence in school-based social work practice. The Twenty-Ninth Annual Kathy Armenta Texas School Social Worker of the Year Award will be given to an individual who has demonstrated exceptional skill and expertise in the area of school social work. The award will be presented at the Plenary Luncheon on Thursday, February 27, 2020. Nominees will be reviewed and the award decision determined by the Conference Planning Committee. The Conference Committee is chaired by Mary Beer, LCSW. Members of the committee represent Texas school district social workers in direct practice, administration, and community services, as well as faculty from Texas State University, University of North Texas, and The University of Texas at Austin Steve Hicks School of Social Work.

Nominees must have:
• a degree in social work from a CSWE accredited university program
• a social work license
• a minimum of three (3) years of experience as a school social worker

Nominees must have demonstrated exceptional skill and expertise in ONE or MORE of the following categories:

• Individual has demonstrated exemplary leadership or advocacy in their role as a school social worker
• Individual has developed creative strategies or techniques for working within a school system
• Individual has implemented an innovative program or service in a school setting
• Individual has made a significant impact within a school district, campus or specific population

To submit a nomination:
• Complete and submit the form on the next page
• Include a nomination letter that provides a description of the ways in which the nominee has demonstrated exceptional skill and expertise in one or more of the above categories
• Enclose a photograph of the individual to be used at conference recognition
• Enclose a resume for the nominee, if possible

Supporting letters or materials may also be submitted, but are not required.

The Kathy Armenta Texas School Social Worker of the Year Award honors Kathy Armenta, LCSW, ACSW, retired clinical professor from the UT Austin Steve Hicks School of Social Work, for her 25 years as a school social worker, her years of teaching and service, including her years on the conference planning committee since its beginning in 1991, and her service as conference chair from 1999-2017. We honor Kathy Armenta in recognition of her extraordinary contributions and legacy to school social work in Texas and beyond.
**2020 Kathy Armenta**
**Texas School Social Worker of the Year Nomination Form**

**Nominee Contact Information:**
Name of Nominee ________________________________________________________________
School/District _________________________________________________________________
Phone ____________________________ E-mail Address ___________________________________________
Address __________________________________________________________________________
City ____________________________ State ___________ Zip Code __________________________
Title ______________________________________________________________________________
Number of Years as a School Social Worker ___________________________________________
Educational Degree(s) _________ Social Work License ________ License Number ________

**Nomination Submitted by:**
Name ________________________________________________________________
Title ____________________________________________________________________________
School/District _________________________________________________________________
Phone ____________________________ E-mail Address ___________________________________________
Address __________________________________________________________________________
City ____________________________ State ___________ Zip Code __________________________

Please include a nomination letter, resume, photo of nominee, and any other supporting materials, and send to:

Mary Beer, LCSW  
Chair, Conference Planning Committee  
UT Austin Steve Hicks School of Social Work  
1925 San Jacinto Blvd, MC: D3500, Austin, Texas 78712-0415  
E-mail: mary.beer@austin.utexas.edu

Submit by Monday, January 27, 2020

2020  
**KATHY ARMENTA**  
**TEXAS SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER OF THE YEAR AWARD**
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION AGREEMENT
Submission of the registration form, along with payment, means that we are preparing for your attendance at this event. We will prepare your conference program, packet, name badge, continuing education arrangements and other conference materials in anticipation of your arrival. Upon receipt of your registration, you have agreed to the registration policies and fees as stated herein. Guests who wish to attend any conference event must be registered for the conference and/or event.

ACCEPTABLE METHODS OF PAYMENT
Registration forms must have a method of payment at time of submission. Acceptable methods of payment are: checks, money orders, purchase orders, or credit cards. (VISA, Mastercard, AMEX or Discover.) Cash will be accepted at the door.

Make Checks Payable to:
The University of Texas at Austin
Mail to:
UT-Austin Steve Hicks School of Social Work
Office of Professional Development
Attn: School Social Work Conference
1925 San Jacinto Blvd., MC: D3500
Austin, TX 78712-0415

REFUNDS/SUBSTITUTIONS
Refund for registration fees may be arranged if cancellation is received in writing (e-mail & fax are acceptable) by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2020. An administrative fee of $30 per individual registration will be deducted from the refund total. Substitutions will be accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE
It is the policy of The University of Texas at Austin to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If special arrangements are needed in order for an individual with a disability to attend this program, please contact the office at 512-471-2886 or email ssw-pd@austin.utexas.edu at least fifteen working days in advance of the conference.

PRE-CONFERENCE INSTITUTES
Wednesday Institute attendees will receive 3 hours of credit. Institute registration is in addition to the Conference Registration or One Day Only Registration fees.

Institute Fee Includes:
Admittance to Institute of your choice, and afternoon break refreshments. Please indicate which Institute you would like to attend.

Institute added to conference registration ............... $65
Institute only ........................................................................... $80

Conference Registration Fee Includes:
Plenary and concurrent sessions, plenary luncheons, continental breakfasts, refreshment breaks, exhibit attendance, conference materials, and continuing education documentation.

Registered by 2/4/20................................................................. $285
Registered after 2/4/20.............................................................. $310

Workshop Presenters and Full Time Students*:
Registered by 2/4/20................................................................. $185
Registered after 2/4/20.............................................................. $205

Group Registration Rates for 2020:
Groups of 5 or more: $20 discount per person @ $260 each.
Groups of 10 or more: $40 discount / person @ $245 each.

Does not apply to one-day registrations, and group may not include other discounted registrations, such as students, speakers or one day registrations. Groups must be registered together. Group rate available through 2/4/20.

Thursday Only Registration Fee Includes:
Opening plenary session, two concurrent sessions, continental breakfast, awards luncheon, afternoon break, conference materials, exhibit attendance, and continuing education documentation.

Friday Only Registration Fee Includes:
Two concurrent sessions, continental breakfast, closing keynote luncheon, conference materials, exhibit attendance, and continuing education documentation.

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One-Day Registration for Full-Time Students and Workshop Presenters:

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*STUDENT VOLUNTEER OPTION
Full-time students may volunteer for 4 hours and will be able to attend conference sessions at no charge.
E-mail utschoolswconference@gmail.com by January 31, 2020.

Questions/Conference Hotline
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1925 San Jacinto Blvd., MC: D3500
Austin, TX 78712-0415
T: (512) 471-2886  F: (512) 232-3700
E: ssw-pd@austin.utexas.edu
| Conference Registration Form |

For groups or to register individually by mail, PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY or TYPE. One name per form. Photocopy for Groups.

**BADGE INFORMATION**
First Name ___________________________________________ Last Name ___________________________________________
School, Agency or Organization ____________________________________________________________
City _____________________________ State ________________ Zip ________________

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION**
Address type: _______ Home _______ Work
Address ____________________________________________________________
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E-mail Address ___________________________________________

**INDICATE BELOW (by circling) TO GUARANTEE LUNCH (Lunches are included with registration):**
*Please indicate any special needs* We are aware Lent begins this week, so please indicate here if you need a meat-free meal for this or any other reason.

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**Please Indicate any special needs for your lunches:**

- Vegetarian
- Vegan
- Gluten free
- Vegetarian
- Non-dairy

**INSTITUTE REGISTRATION – Fees are In addition to individual or group registration fee.**

- Institute, when added to individual or group registration - $65
- Institute only ______________________________________________________ $80

**Please indicate which Institute you will attend:**

- ONE: Ethics/Race Trauma & Cultural Healing
- TWO: Ethics/Embodied Self Care
- THREE: TBRI & NME
- FOUR: Sand Tray (no ethics CEUs)

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**
Group rates available until 2/4/20. Call office for assistance after this date.

- Group Rate for 5 – 9 registrants _____________________________ $260
- Group Rate for 10+ registrants _____________________________ $245

**Early rates for individuals, postmarked by 2/4/20**

- Conference Registration _____________________________ $285
- Thursday Only __________________________________________ $170
- Friday Only ____________________________________________ $135
- Speaker/Student Conference Registration ______________________ $185
- Speaker/Student Thursday Only ____________________________ $135
- Speaker/Student Friday Only ______________________________ $100

**Late rates, postmarked after 2/4/20**

- Conference Registration _____________________________ $310
- Thursday Only __________________________________________ $195
- Friday Only ____________________________________________ $145
- Speaker/Student Conference Registration ______________________ $205
- Speaker/Student Thursday Only ____________________________ $150
- Speaker/Student Friday Only ______________________________ $115

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION TOTAL = $ ___________**

**Total Amount Enclosed (Conference fee + Institute) = $ ___________**

Session Preferences: Please check pages 5-6 and indicate your choices using session codes; e.g., Thursday Session I A1 Preference data will be used for planning purposes only, and does not guarantee seating. Plan for a second workshop choice on-site.

**Thursday Session I**

**Thursday Session II**

**Friday Session III**

**Friday Session IV**

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Continuing Education Information

The plenaries and workshop sessions of this conference have been approved for 12 CEUs for Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, or Licensed Professional Counselors by The University of Texas at Austin Steve Hicks School of Social Work. Participants who attend the full conference PLUS an institute will receive a total of 15 CEUs. Attendees of Institute I, Racial Trauma, Cultural Healing, and Social Work Ethics, Institute II, The Embodied Ethics of Self Care, or Institute III, Implementing Trauma-Informed Practice in Schools will receive 3 CEUs in Ethics for social workers, LMFTs and LPCs.

Workshop Target Population

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This are noted with each workshop listing.

Breakout Session Preferences

Please Note: Sessions will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Plan to arrive early for sessions that interest you, and have alternative sessions in mind if your first choice is full.

Conference Nametags & Dress

Official Texas School Social Worker Conference badges must be worn at all Conference events. Conference attire is business casual. We recommend that you bring a sweater or a jacket since individual comfort ranges vary, and hotels are often kept on the cool side.

Exhibits & Resource Fair

Service providers, state and community agencies, and vendors are invited to display. Contact the conference office for more information, or visit our registration website at: cvent.utexas.edu/txschoolsw20

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Hotel Information

Conference Location:
Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Austin
6505 IH 35 North • Austin, TX 78752
512-454-3737 • 1-800-866-3126

For hotel room link please go to:
socialwork.utexas.edu/ceu/texas-school-social-workers-conference/ or cvent.utexas.edu/txschoolsw20

Conference Location Information:
The Doubletree Austin Hotel will serve as headquarters for all lodging, sessions and catered events. The hotel offers lodging at preferred government rates. Transportation to and from the Austin-Bergstrom Airport will be available from Super Shuttle services. For rate information and for advance reservations, call 1-800-258-3826, or you may also go on-line to www.supershuttle.com.

Hotel Guest Room Rates:
All registrants are responsible for making their own hotel guest room reservations. Our special guest room rates are:
$160/Single or $160/Double Occupancy. A Tax Exemption form to waive the 6% state tax must be filed with the front desk upon check-in. Local occupancy tax is 11% and is payable upon check-out. Hotel parking is available at a discounted rate of $5 per day.

Hotel Reservations: To receive the special conference rates, contact the Doubletree Hotel Austin at 512-454-3737, or 1-800-866-3126 and request the group rate for Texas School of Social Work Conference. Participants may also register on the web. Simply go to the conference website: cvent.utexas.edu/txschoolsw20

Hotel Cut-Off Date: Reservations must be made no later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 4, 2020 to receive the special conference guest room rates. Make reservations early, as block can fill in advance of cut-off date.

Check-In Time: 3:00 p.m. • Check-Out Time: Noon
The hotel will assist with storing luggage if you arrive outside of these stated hours.

Conference Overflow Hotel
Past conference history shows us that our group overflows our room block. This year we have an additional room block at:
Crowne Plaza Austin
6121 North IH-35, Austin, TX 78752
www.crowneplaza.com/hotels/512-323-5466 • Code: SSW
Rates: $135+tax, single or double
Includes WiFi, free parking + full breakfast buffet

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