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Colleagues,

Thank you for joining us for the Anti-Racism Virtual Summit! The Council on Social Work Education is thrilled to partner with SWHelper on this event. I want to thank Deona Hooper for her vision and commitment to this program, which is sure to inspire us and provide ways for us to co-conspire to dismantle racism and co-create anti-racist systems.

Knowing that things need to be done differently is the first step to doing things differently, and I am energized for the conversations on building just and equitable systems and practices from passionate presenters.

I expect that this Summit will provide us opportunities to stop, think, and listen to ideas and speakers that can provide a path to a future that lives up to our profession's highest ideals.

Thank you for joining us!

Darla Spence Coffey, PhD, MSW  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Council on Social Work Education



Dear Summit Attendees,

Welcome to the Anti-Racism Virtual Summit!

In partnership with the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), SWHELPER is honored to host this three-day Anti-Racism Virtual Summit in celebration of World Social Work Day and National Social Work Month.

As the only black and woman owned digital publication in this space, Darla Coffey at CSWE has been instrumental in helping my publication get access to spaces where I had no relationships as well as provided support in relationship building when white validation was needed. A key component of white allyship is using your power, privilege, and resources to help elevate the voices of oppressed communities.

With the sponsorship support of the Brown School of Social Work at Washington University, University of Michigan School of Social Work, University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work, and the Joint Masters of Social Work Program at North Carolina A&T University and University of North Carolina at Greensboro and many other historically white schools of social work, we are able to provide wide access to students in order to support their field education training.

Most importantly, I would like to thank all the wonderful speakers who choose our platform to share their expertise and lived experiences. I hope this Summit will spark conversations and help us feel more connected as a community.

I look forward to engaging with you!

Thank you,

Deona Hooper, Founder and Editor-in-Chief



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## DARLA COFFEY, PHD, MSW

**PRESIDENT AND CEO OF COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION**

Darla Spence Coffey is the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). CSWE is the national association for social work education, representing over 800 accredited undergraduate and graduate programs of professional social work. Through its programs and initiatives, CSWE promotes emerging technologies, interprofessional education, and innovative models, pedagogies, and practices to advance social work education.

As the voice of social work education, CSWE works to strengthen the position of social work within higher education, the national political environment, and in the perceptions of the general public. Coffey received her BSW from Eastern College, her MSW from the University of Pennsylvania, and her PhD from Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research. She has an extensive background in social work practice in the areas of mental health, substance abuse, and domestic violence.

More recently, Coffey has been advancing the causes of provider well-being and leadership in presentations and writings. Coffey is a Distinguished Fellow in the National Academies of Practice and is the 2017 recipient of the Advocate for Human Rights Award by the Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences at Case Western Reserve University.

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## DEONA HOOPER, MSW

**FOUNDER AND EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF SWHELPER**

Deona Hooper, MSW is the Founder and Editor-in-Chief of SWHELPER, and she has experience in nonprofit communications, tech development, and social media consulting. Deona has a Masters in Social Work with a concentration in Management and Community Practice as well as a Certificate in Nonprofit Management both from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Deona is the developer of the SWHELPER app, SWHELPER publishing platform, and the Global Social Welfare Summit.

SWHELPER is an award-winning, mission-driven, and progressive news website. We are dedicated to providing news, information, resources, and entertainment related to social work, social justice, and social good. Our audience is comprised of academics, policymakers, social workers, students, mental health practitioners, helping professionals, caregivers, and people looking for information to help themselves or a loved one in crisis.

Our goal is to utilize evidence-based data, research, and expertise of helping professionals when reporting on current events and societal problems in an effort to elevate the voices of vulnerable people.

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## KEVIN J BRAZANT MA, BA, FRSA, FHEA

**LECTURER AND LEARNING CONSULTANT**

Kevin J Brazant is a lecturer, coach, and currently lectures on both the BSc and MSc Social Work programmes at London Metropolitan University whilst also delivering training and workshops for local authority stakeholders. His experience as a trained Mediator, High Risk Conflict Management Specialist, his practice centres around separated families subject to public and private family law proceedings embroiled in high level contact disputes with historic Domestic Violence and Abuse (DVA).

He is an accredited Group Leader for Tavistock Relationships (TR) delivering couples and group work interventions on couple communication. He advises as a member of the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Fatherhood ensuring that legal and policy frameworks keep up to date with the changing nature of family life. Kevin has been awarded for his impactful work with boys, men and fathers from minority ethnic groups, in particular of African heritage, which includes the production of award-winning documentary "Unheard Voices" which explores the experiences of young, teenage fathers in Hackney, east London.

Other achievements include both the charity OLMEC and Hackney Council formally acknowledging him for making an outstanding contribution to training local authority and voluntary sector professionals in practice approaches that are culturally appropriate for African heritage men and fathers.

 @kevinjulian



## VALERIE BORUM, PHD

**DIRECTOR OF THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK AT RYERSON UNIVERSITY**

Dr. Borum started as the Director of the School of Social Work at Ryerson University in Toronto, Canada in January 2020. She has experience as both a BSSW Program Director and an MSW Program Director. Dr. Borum completed her post-doctoral studies at the University of Rochester's, School of Medicine and received her Ph.D. in Social Work from Howard University and her Master of Social Work from Gallaudet University. While studying at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C., all of her instruction was in American Sign Language (ASL).

She received her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology with minors in biology and philosophy from Mundelein Women's College at Loyola University in Chicago. Dr. Borum's research and scholarship focus on the role of ethnoculture as a protective and promotive factor in health, mental health, and disability, with attention to Black/African Americans. Dr. Borum also focuses her research and scholarship on the role of 'Whiteness' in oppression, marginalization, and anti-Black racism.

She studies the intersection of disability, deafness, and ethnoculture, with attention to Black/African Americans and Afro-Latinx/Black Hispanics families with deaf and hard of hearing children. Dr. Borum utilizes Afrocentric and Womanist/Black Feminist approaches in her scholarship and research.



## PRIYA KHARAT, PHD

COUNSELLOR

Dr. Priya Kharat has been working extensively with marginalized communities in Canada including new immigrants and refugees. Working in various capacities and projects, Kharat has had the opportunity to pursue her passion for teaching, scholarship, and research while bridging the gap between academia and the community.

Apart from working with the wellness center at the University of Calgary as a counsellor (instructor) especially appointed to address the needs of international students, Kharat also serves as the co-chair of the Ethno-Culturally Diverse Communities Committee of Calgary, which addresses the prevalence of domestic violence among the ethno-cultural communities in Calgary.



## PATRINA DUHANEY, PHD

PROFESSOR UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY (CANADA)

Dr. Patrina Duhaney is an Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Calgary. Her research grapples with issues related to race, racism, victimization and criminalization and is informed by critical race theory, critical race feminism and anti-racism. Dr. Duhaney has over 14 years of experience working as a social worker, counsellor and front-line worker.

She works with various marginalized populations including women who have been abused, youth in conflict with the law, and adults with various disabilities and mental health concerns. In an effort to center Black experiences and perspectives and confront anti-Black racism, Dr. Duhaney is actively involved in various initiatives across the university and in the community.

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## JAVON GARCIA, LSW

THERAPIST

Javon Garcia, LSW is a Licensed Social Worker and Therapist. Javon currently works as a Therapist at Howard Brown Health Center in Chicago, providing individual and group therapy for Chicago's LGBTQ community. Javon has a Bachelor's degree in Gender, Women's, and Sexuality Studies from Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa, and a Master's in Social Work from Loyola University Chicago.

Javon has spent the last 10 years working at nonprofit agencies in New York City and Chicago providing sexual health education, HIV testing, HIV prevention education, consent education, sexual assault awareness, intimate partner violence prevention, community mental health education, and putting an end to healthcare disparities among BIPOC and LGBTQ communities. Javon last presented in 2017 at the National Network to End Domestic Violence 5th annual Tech Summit Conference in San Francisco on "Finding Community Online: Intersections of Tech Abuse and Dating Apps among LGBTQ Youth".



## MILDRED JOYNER, MSW, LCSW

PRESIDENT OF NASW AND IFSW NORTH AMERICAN REGION

Mildred "Mit" C. Joyner, MSW, LCSW (Pennsylvania Chapter), is the incoming President of the National Association of Social Workers and the current IFSW North American Regional President. She is a professor emerita of social work at West Chester University (WCU) in Pennsylvania. Joyner received a BSW from Central State University in Wilberforce, Ohio, and her MSW from Howard University's School of Social Work in Washington, DC.

Her professional career began at Chester County Children and Youth services as a protective service worker; she was promoted to department head, then legal liaison of the child abuse unit. Joyner later joined the faculty at WCU as an associate professor, where she was elected by the faculty as department chair of the undergraduate social work department. She retired from the university as a full professor, and presently works as a consultant.

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## GARY TAYLOR, LCSW

**THERAPIST**

Gary T. Taylor, affectionately known as Trey, is a resident of Caroline County, Virginia where he resides with his beautiful wife who is a teacher, Shauniece Taylor and amazing daughter, Aniah Taylor. Trey is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (2020) and published author of "You Good Fam?" and "Mental Health Keys". He serves in leadership as a Deacon at Oxford Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Ruther Glen, Virginia. Trey holds a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from Virginia Commonwealth University (2011) and a Master's Degree in Social Work from George Mason University (2015).

He has over five years of experience in the field of Social Work and ten years of experience in the field of Mental Health in a variety of different settings. With that experience, he has expanded his work to Consulting and Private Practice focusing on African-American Men, Stress Management, Mental Health Policy, and Legislation, Racial Equity, and Social Justice Initiatives.

Trey's passion for change continues to fuel new, reduce barriers and stigma around Mental Health and Social work. When he is not trying to save the world, he enjoys watching basketball, collecting sneakers, working on his car, and spending time with his family.



## LAUREN RELIFORD, MSW CANDIDATE

**MSW CANDIDATE - NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SERVICE**

Lauren Whitney Reliford is a passionate, mission-driven public health and social policy advocacy professional focused on bridging the gap between social theory, research, practice, and policy. Lauren has over ten years of experience in research, policy, advocacy, and government relations and is a strategic thinker with an understanding of national political processes and influencers. She is focused on promoting qualitative (patient experience, field expertise) and quantitative (evidence-based population and public health science and research) data to inform public policy.

Lauren has a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Boston College and is in her final semester of her Master of Social Work Program at the National Catholic School of Social Service. She has focused her research on trauma and its impact on health, particularly Black maternal health. Lauren is a native of the Washington, DC area and is a passionate DC sports fan who loves reading (when she has time!)



## CHARITY WATKINS, PHD, LCSW

**PROFESSOR - NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY**

Dr. Charity S. Watkins is a tenure-track assistant professor in the Department of Social Work at North Carolina Central University. Dr. Watkins teaches undergraduate and graduate-level social work courses on human behavior and the social environment, introductory direct practice, and research. Dr. Watkins also advises MSW students, serves on departmental and actively participates in and leads various research initiatives at NC Central and in partnership with Duke University, UNC Chapel Hill, and community-based organizations.

Dr. Watkins received her B.A. in Sociology, MSW in Social Work, and Ph.D. in Social Work from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. During her time as a student at UNC Chapel Hill, Dr. Watkins actively engaged in initiatives and activism to promote racial equity and combat racism in the School of Social. Dr. Watkins's research interests include parenting among low-income African American parents, academic resilience, racial equity, socioeconomic equity, and how positive parenting strategies influence the academic outcomes of elementary school children.

She has also begun to explore racial disparities in cardiovascular disease with a special focus on heart conditions experienced by Black women following pregnancy and childbirth after her own heart attack and heart failure diagnosis.



## ARLENE GARCIA, MSW, PHD

**THERAPIST AND PROFESSOR**

Dr. Arlene Garcia is a licensed clinical social worker and possesses a doctoral degree in educational leadership. She currently works as an Assistant Professor at the University of the Virgin Islands on behalf of the Masters in Social Work program.

Dr. Garcia served in many social work capacities, including leadership, for the CT State Department of Mental Health and Addictions Services for over 15 years. In 2016, Dr. Garcia started a private counseling practice, the CT Center for Counseling and Education. Her practice offers counseling services that support peace and healing within a social and racial justice framework. She also engages in advocacy for equity and social justice on behalf of minority populations and has presented on subjects related to race, ethnicity, and organizational cultural competency and diversity in conferences across the country.

In 2015, Dr. Garcia and her colleagues started an education advocacy organization called RACCE (Radical Advocates for Cross Cultural Education). Their mission is to challenge systems of oppression and advocate for culturally competent educational practices.





## DENISE MCLANE-DAVISON, PHD

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR - MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Denise McLane-Davison, PhD. AM is an Associate Professor of Social Work in School of Social Work, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD. Her teaching pedagogy, research, scholarship, and leadership are interconnected and inclusive of Black Feminist/Womanist/Africana (BFWA) centering critical race, womanist theologian, and other emancipatory theories. Dr. McLane-Davison's research disrupts systems of structural oppression, while focusing on innovative strategies towards transformation, reconciliation, and liberation.

Dr. McLane-Davison is a visual storyteller utilizing cultural memory intentional centering of African diasporic history and culture in the digital humanities genre to provide an interdisciplinary and intergenerational knowledge bank for public and academic scholars through her training in Black Digital Humanities (BDH) and Black Spatial Humanities.

Dr. McLane-Davison is the founding researcher and archivist of the National Association of Black Social Workers, Inc. (NABSW) National Repository at Morgan State University and the recipient of The HistoryMakers, Inc. 2020 National Digital Humanities Award for her research on Digital Storytelling Through Primary Data Resources of The HistoryMakers Digital Archive and the National Association of Black Social Workers, Inc. (NABSW) National Repository at Morgan State University.

 @DeniseDavison



## CHARNETTA GADLING-COLE, PHD

DEPARTMENT CHAIR OF SOCIAL WORK AND CHILD LIFE AT CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY WISCONSIN AND ANN ARBOR

Dr. Charnetta Gadling-Cole earned her PhD in social work from Howard University, Master of Social Work from the University of South Carolina and BA in psychology from Johnson C. Smith University (JCSU). She pledged Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority at her alma mater, JCSU. Currently, she is chair of the Department of Social Work and Child Life at Concordia University Wisconsin and Ann Arbor and the Founder/President of Just 4 Me Consultants, LLC.

Dr. Gadling-Cole has over 20 years of administrative experience which includes grant writing, program/policy development, quality assurance, accreditation oversight and fundraising. She has served as a Fellow at the National Institute of Health (focusing on cancer research protocols and bioethics), Prince Georges County Government and the Gerontological Society of America.

She was a Frederick Douglass Visiting Scholar at West Chester University, a University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) Geriatric Education Center Faculty Scholar, a UAB Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center: Health Disparities Research Training Program Scholar and a Michigan Center for Urban African American Aging Research Summer Scholar. She has extensive experience working with faith-based and non-profit agencies nationally and internationally including, South Africa, Kenya and Haiti.

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## ANJANETTE YOUNG, LCSW

ACTIVIST AND AUTHOR

Anjanette Young is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and graduate of Jane Addams School of Social Work at The University of Illinois Chicago. She obtained a Master's degree in Clinical Social Work with a special interest in Mental Health with individuals and families.

Anjanette's passion for people and her professional work is rooted in her DNA. Her grandmother was a civil rights activist who fought for justice and equity and marched with Dr. King. She is devoted to doing her part to carry on her family legacy and raise the bar of accountability regarding social justice.

Anjanette has many years working with individuals, children, and families in the Chicago area. Anjanette is experienced in Mental Health interventions, crisis management, and her clinical lens is guided by an extensive knowledge of brief cognitive-behavioral therapeutic (CBT), and trauma-informed care approaches with family and communities.

In March of 2019, Anjanette became President and CEO of Café Social Work which was birthed out of a dream when Anjanette decided to return back to school in 2012 to obtain a Master degree in Social Work, despite having worked in the field for over 11 years and already held a Master's degree in Human Service. Anjanette learned a valuable lesson in the need for Social Work mentorship, due to the lack of mentorship in her own life.

 @anjanette-young



## SARA CASALI

DIRECTOR OF FIELD EDUCATION AT CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY WISCONSIN

Ms. Sara Casali is the current Director of Field Education at Concordia University Wisconsin. She is also a Doctorate in Social Work student at the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN. Ms. Casali's doctoral research is focused on studying intersectionality and social work education. Her dissertation examines the history of intersectionality and how social work educators infuse the theory into social work curriculum. Exploring what this theory means to educators is necessary to address gaps in knowledge and provide eventual guidance in how to infuse intersectionality into coursework.

There is an assumption that social work instructors are familiar with and recognize intersectionality and are, in fact, including it in their curriculum. As social workers, it is fundamentally necessary to recognize the impact of an individual's intersecting social identities and experiences.

As the Director of Field Education, Ms. Casali has formed positive working partnerships with community agencies across the State of Wisconsin in order to provide both her BSW and MSW students opportunities to learn and develop social work skills. Ms. Casali is also a Co-Principal Investigator for a \$2.2 million Federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Grant, Opioid Impact Family Support Specialist Certificate Training Program.



## APRILL HARMON, PHD, MBA, LCSW

SOCIAL WORK SUPERVISOR AT HUD VA SUPPORTED HOUSING

Dr. Aprill Harmon is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker Supervisor who is currently employed at VA North Texas as a Social Work Supervisor in the VA Supported Housing Program (HUD VASH) and as an Adjunct Instructor at Columbia College. She is a trainer, social entrepreneur, speaker, author, and advocate with over 16 years of experience in the field of social work. She has been employed at VA North Texas since August 2010.

Throughout her career, she has mentored and coached multiple aspiring social workers and leaders to achieve their academic and career goals. Her academic background includes a Bachelors & Masters Degree in Social Work, an MBA, and a Doctorate in Leadership Studies from Our Lady of the Lake University School of Business and Leadership.

She is a Certified Life Coach, Certified Financial Social Worker, and Certified Trauma of Money Facilitator. Likewise, Dr. Harmon is a graduate of the VA National Social Work Leadership Training Program, Leadership Development Institute, and LEAD and also a recipient of the Employee Incentive Scholarship Program.



## CHERYL AGULIAR, LICSW, LCSW-C

HOPE CENTER FOR WELLNESS

Cheryl Aguliar, LICSW, LCSW-C, a bilingual licensed independent clinical social worker, is the founding director and lead therapist at Hope Center for Wellness, a Washington, DC based multicultural behavioral health practice focused on holistic healing of individuals and communities. In her clinical practice, she addresses issues related to depression, anxiety, trauma, stress, grief and loss, adjustments, addictions, family separations/reunification, among others.

While she works with people from all walks of life, she specializes in working with immigrants, asylum seekers and refugees and has designed, and implemented several culturally competent groups including Emociones y Política, a support group and workshop for immigrants facing anxiety due to the political climate. She co-launched the first TeleMental Health program for Spanish speaking Latinos in Washington, DC.

Her practice's recent work with immigrant families separated at the border and later reunited has been featured in Time Magazine, NBC News, Vanity Fair, among other media outlets. Cheryl serves as an appointed committee member of the National Association of Social Workers' mental health specialty practice and as an appointed advisory board member for WETA's Well Beings/Mental Health project.



## CHANTAL STEPNEY, M.ED

SENIOR CONSULTANT WITH PUBLIC CONSULTING GROUP

Chantal Stepney, M.Ed, is a Senior Consultant with Public Consulting Group, Inc. In her current role, she also serves as the co-lead for the organization's Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Council. In this role, Chantal creates and leads programming to support the firm's D&I goals, promotion, and retention, diverse business partnerships, and philanthropic endeavors that support equity in healthcare and education for the BIPOC community.

As a public sector professional for over fifteen years, Chantal has worked diligently on behalf of children, youth, and families with disabilities to ensure her clients receive equitable healthcare, education, and community support. Prior to her work as a Consultant, Chantal was a Multi-Systemic Therapist in North Carolina, and a Youth Program Manager with Fulton County Human Services Department.

She resides in Atlanta, GA, where she serves as a member of the Junior League of Atlanta, the local chapter of Black Girls Code, and is a Board Member for the Atlanta chapter's Better Business Bureau's Center for Character Ethics.



## VIVIAN SHANNON-RAMSEY

DIRECTOR OF FIELD EDUCATION AND ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF SOCIAL WORK AT BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY

Vivian Shannon-Ramsey is the Director of Field Education and Assistant Professor of Social Work at Bowie State University. She works with students to provide academic development opportunities, assist with basic college requirements, and motivate students toward completion of their postsecondary education. Professor Shannon-Ramsey has over 15 years of higher education experience working with first-generation and low-income students and individuals with disabilities. Before joining Bowie State University, she worked as a Project Director of a TRiO program to implement a mentor program to provide first year college students with additional academic and social support.

She has led several global learning trips to South Africa, Japan, and Columbia, where students have engaged in academic discussions around police behaviors and community policing, and intercultural competencies. She is 2017, Fulbright Scholar to Chile and a former member of the Diversity Abroad Task Group that focused on the international needs of first generation students seeking to study abroad.

Professor Shannon-Ramsey received a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science from South Carolina State University in Orangeburg, South Carolina, and a Master of Social Work degree with a Specialization in Mental Health from Winthrop University. She also received a Post-Masters Certificate in Community Health from the University of North Carolina- Charlotte.



## PHYLLIS E. GILLIANS, ED.D

PROFESSOR AT BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY

Dr. Phyllis E. Gillians has been a professional social worker since 1990. Dr. Gillians is an Assistant Professor of Social Work at Bowie State University. Her prior work experience includes supervision of social workers in Connecticut State Government-Foster Care, Adoption and Treatment Services; and investigative casework in Florida State Government. Her primary areas of focus are: Child Welfare, Cultural Competence, Bullying, and Racial Profiling. Prior to her relocation to Maryland, Dr. Gillians worked as an Assistant to the Dean/Student Programs at Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service and Adjunct Professor teaching Introduction to the Profession of Social Work and Understanding Diversity in the Workplace at Manhattanville College in Purchase, New York from 2005 through 2014. In 2007, she served as a field instructor for Fordham College of Liberal Studies, teaching Integrative Seminar for the Bachelor of Arts in Social Work Program.

Dr. Gillians received a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Saint Augustine's College in Raleigh, N.C and a Master of Social Work degree with a Specialization in Children and Their Families from Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service. She received a Post-Masters Certificate in Child and Adolescent Therapy from Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service.



## MAKEBA GREEN

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT CHAIR AT BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY

Makeba T. Green is an associate professor and Chair of the Department of Social Work at, Bowie State University and a proud alumna. A lover of HBCU education (Historically Black Colleges and Universities), Dr. Green received her PhD from the School of Social Work at Clark Atlanta University, (Atlanta, GA), Master's of Social Work (MSW) from Howard University (Washington, DC) and a Bachelor's of Social Work (BSW) from Bowie State University (Bowie, MD). A seasoned pedagogue, researcher, and clinician, Dr. Green has taught courses across the curriculum for 17 years, directed the undergraduate field placement program, and provided case management to families with children at risk of out-of-home placement.

With a sincere dedication to Social Work and best practices in mental health; Dr. Green consistently provided direct service to the female addiction population. Notably, Dr. Green's research in study abroad opportunities for underserved populations continues to evolve, as her most recent work explores the impact of study abroad programs has on undergraduate students attending HBCU's and minority-serving institutions.



## YARNECCIA DYSON, PHD, MSW

PROFESSOR AT JMSW PROGRAM UNCG AND NCA&T

Yarneccia D. Dyson, Ph.D., MSW is an equity minded thought leader committed to inclusive excellence and social justice. As a Social and Behavioral Scientist, Dr. Dyson engages in health disparities research that focuses on reducing and alleviating negative health outcomes by empowering historically oppressed communities using culturally congruent health promotion interventions through Implementation Science. She currently serves as an Assistant Professor of Social Work at The University of North Carolina at Greensboro where she also teaches in the Joint Master of Social Work Program and served on the Development Committee for the newly formed Joint PhD Program with North Carolina A and T State University. Dr. Dyson grounds her teaching, scholarship, research, and community engagement in empowerment-based theories and qualitative methodologies.

As an emerging leader, Dr. Dyson has served in various leadership capacities nationally through CSWE and BPD as well as on her University campus and within the community. She also obtained a Bachelor of Social Work from Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University and a Masters Degree in Clinical Social Work from The Florida State University.



## TIFFANY LANE

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AT UNCW

Dr. Tiffany Lane is an associate professor and BSW Coordinate at the University of North Carolina Wilmington (UNCW). Before her appointment at UNCW, she spent two years at Norfolk State University in the Ethelyn R. Strong School of Social Work as the Director of the BSW program.

She also was faculty for five years and BSW Program Chair for a year and a half at West Chester University, PA. Dr. Lane is the founder of Almatine's Goodies, an initiative to support older foster care youth enrolled in post-secondary institutions. Previous experience also includes working as a contracted Mental Health Assessor in Philadelphia, PA, middle and high schools.

She is a founding steering committee member of Social Work Voices. Her interests include child welfare services and issues impacting youth who age out of foster care. She is an advocate for academic and social supports for African American youth who reside in low resourced communities.



## MAX GUTTMAN, LCSW

AUTHOR AND DISABILITY ADVOCATE

Max E. Guttman is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), therapist, and disability rights advocate. Max is the author of *University on Watch: Crisis in the Academy*, which he published under the pen name J. Peters in 2019, and *First Diagnosis*, published in 2020. He writes on his lived experience with schizophrenia and also blogs daily on his site, [entalhealthaffairs.blog](http://entalhealthaffairs.blog).

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## TIM WISE

ANTI-RACIST AUTHOR

Tim Wise is among the most prominent anti-racist writers and educators in the United States. He has spent the past 25 years speaking to audiences in all 50 states, on over 1500 college and high school campuses, at hundreds of professional and academic conferences, and to community groups across the country. Wise has also trained corporate, government, entertainment, media, and medical industry professionals on methods for dismantling racial inequity in their institutions, and has provided anti-racism training to educators and administrators nationwide and internationally, in Canada and Bermuda.

Wise is the author of nine books, including his latest, *Dispatches from the Race War* (City Lights Books). Other books include *Under the Affluence*, *Dear White America: Letter to a New Minority* and *Colorblind* (all from City Lights Books); his highly-acclaimed memoir, *White Like Me: Reflections on Race from a Privileged Son*, (recently updated and re-released by Soft Skull Press); *Affirmative Action: Racial Preference in Black and White*; *Speaking Treason Fluently: Anti-Racist Reflections From an Angry White Male*; and *Between Barack and a Hard Place: Racism and White Denial in the Age of Obama*.

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## LEE HOPKINS, LMSW

SOCIAL WORKERS UNITED FOR IMMIGRATION

Lee Hopkins, LMSW, is a tri-lingual migrant rights and public health advocate, social worker, and non-profit program manager, with experience in the US, Latin America, and Sub-Saharan Africa. Trauma-informed supervision and evidence-based, community driven programs are the foundation of Lee's work over the past fourteen years with a number of non-profit organizations, including CASA de Maryland, Tahirih Justice Center, International Rescue Committee and Habitat for Humanity.

In the interest of connecting with and advocating alongside other social workers, she joined the Social Worker United for Immigrants network in 2017, and today co-leads monthly immigration news updates and network meetings. Lee received her MSc. in Social Work from Columbia University as a Management Fellow, with a specialty in non-profit administration and supervision, and holds an Honors B.A. in International Development from McGill University in Canada.

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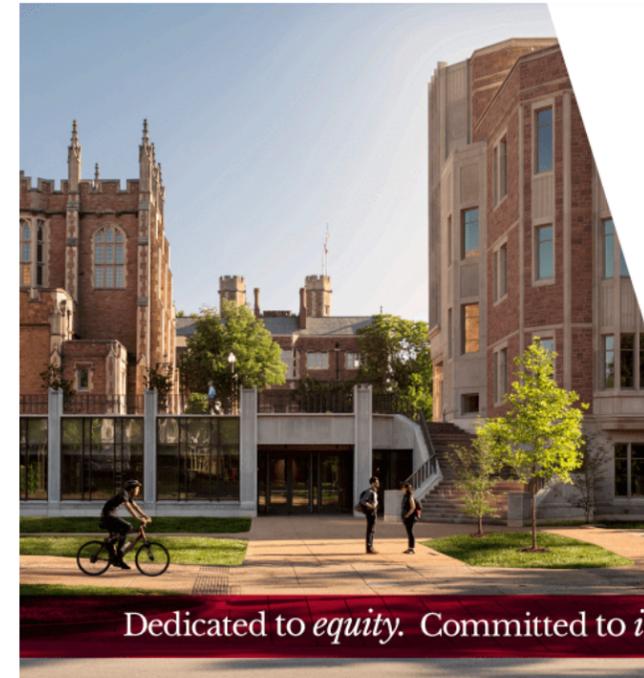
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Founded in 1853, Washington University in St. Louis is counted among the world's leaders in teaching and research and boasts highly ranked schools of Social Work, Medicine, Business and Law. It is dedicated to challenging its faculty and students alike to seek new knowledge and greater understanding of an ever-changing, multicultural world. The university draws students and faculty to St. Louis from all 50 states and approximately 130 nations.

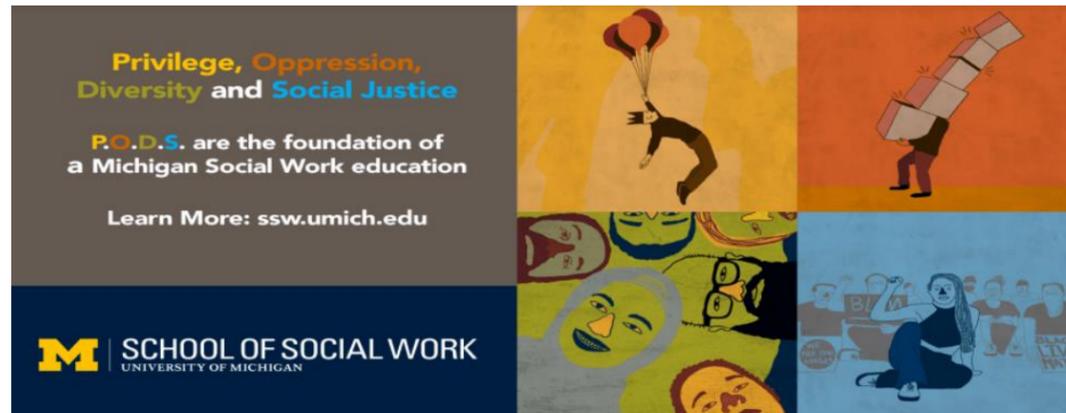
### OUR VISION

To create positive social change through our path-breaking research and educational excellence.

### OUR MISSION

- To educate and prepare future social work and public health leaders in areas of policy, practice, and research.
- To pioneer research and apply results to impact policy and practice locally, nationally, and internationally.
- To collaborate with organizations to use evidence to improve access to and quality of social services and to address social and economic justice.

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## OUR VISION

A Better Society Through Individual and Social Change

## OUR MISSION

Advancing the social work profession's vision and values, the University of Michigan School of Social Work seeks to develop a more equitable, caring, and socially just society. Such a society meets basic human needs, eliminates social and economic inequities, and empowers individuals, their communities, and institutions to reach their aspirations and potential. Drawing on an interdisciplinary faculty within a public university seated in a region of enormous need and promise, the School is dedicated to education, research, and service that fosters progressive change at local, national, and global levels.

## GOALS

- The School will provide an excellent education to students and practitioners in the knowledge and skills needed for contemporary and evolving social work practice.
- The School will create and disseminate knowledge about individual, community, and organizational concerns; social issues; social policy; and practice interventions, within a tradition of multi-disciplinary and multi-professional research.
- The School will engage in service to the community, the profession, and society through collaboration and leadership.

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The Joint Programs in Social Work is between an HBCU (NC A&T State University) and a historical PWI (The University of North Carolina Greensboro, a former Women's college). The focus of our curricula are multicultural clinical social work and community-engaged research and scholarship.

## MSW MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Joint MSW Program is to promote human and community well-being by preparing professional social workers for effective multicultural clinical practice; to collaborate with consumers and colleagues in the development of practices that promote global social and economic justice and benefit the citizens of North Carolina and beyond; and to conduct research and community-engaged scholarship. The context for this mission is an intentional, multicultural learning community in which difference is understood as a defining value and diversity is celebrated. The signature pedagogy is field education.

## PHD MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the JPHD program, offered by NCA&TSU and UNCG, is to prepare social workers for careers as multiculturally-responsive, community-engaged scholars and educators who are committed to social, economic, and environmental issues on the micro, mezzo, and macro levels of society. The program is grounded in the historical partnership between the social work departments at two diverse universities and is informed by our recognition of and appreciation for diverse human strengths and resiliency— a legacy of the social work profession.

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## OUR VISION

Transforming our world, our future, ourselves

## OUR MISSION

The University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work:

- Prepares courageous leaders to transform social work practice, policy, research, and education in a community-engaged and inclusive environment
- Develops and advances innovative approaches to understand, prevent, and ameliorate complex social problems
- Builds collaborative partnerships to promote social justice
- In furtherance of its mission, the goals of the School of Social Work are to:
  - ✓ Educate professional social workers with the knowledge, skills, and values needed to engage in culturally competent practice with diverse populations and communities, to critically analyze personal, familial and environmental factors affecting practice settings and practice techniques, and to advocate for those who confront barriers to maximizing the achievement of their fullest potential.
  - ✓ Engage in scholarly activities that contribute to professional knowledge about complex social problems and innovative approaches to ameliorate those problems.
  - ✓ Provide service to local, national, and international communities through the development of participation in collaborations with social agencies, community-based organizations, government, and foundations.

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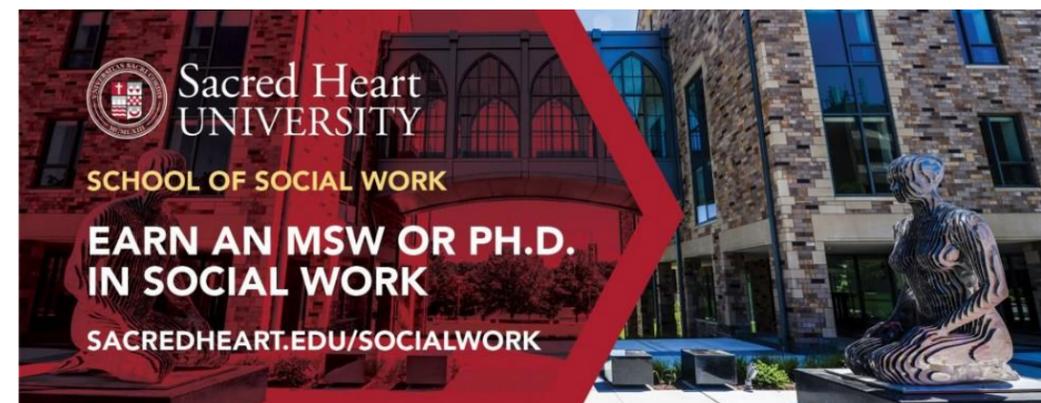
Finding solutions to social, economic and racial injustices is at the forefront of The University of Alabama School of Social Work's mission. Preparing future social workers to lead this charge influences every aspect of our School, from our cutting-edge research to our year-round, student-centered programming focused on diversity, equity and inclusion.

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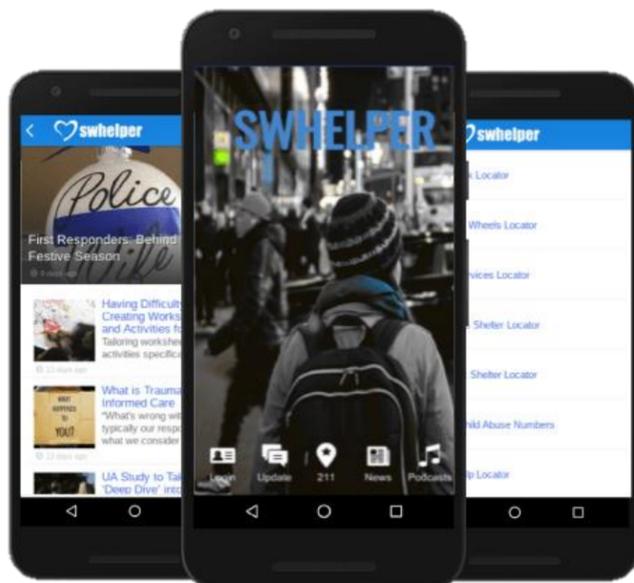
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