JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2018 NEWS

New Website
We have a new look!

Our new website recently went live; we hope you’ll visit. http://www.ou.edu/cas/socialwork/

New MSW Course Offering Location
MSW in OKC!

The AHZSSW is happy to announce we are offering weeknight MSW classes in Oklahoma City in fall 2018 for our Part-Time first-year students. Classes will be Tuesday/Thursday evening at the College of Public Health building on the Health Sciences Campus. Contact Susan Blossom at blossom@ou.edu for more details.

The Diplomacy Lab
Social Work and Resettlement

On the 19th of January, graduate students who took the class titled "Social Work and Resettlement", and funded by the Diplomacy Lab, presented their research findings to the US State Department. The Diplomacy Lab is a public-private partnership that enables the State Department to "course-source" research and innovation related to foreign policy challenges by harnessing the efforts of students and faculty experts at universities across the country. The students constructed their data collection tools, collected data in the field, and analyzed that data. They investigated the impacts refugees are having in their communities as seen from a social work perspective. As a result, not only economic but also social and cultural impacts were investigated. Students at the presentation successfully reported their findings’ implications for future policies and practices. Congratulations to the first cohort of the Diplomacy Lab at Anne and Henry Zarrow School of Social Work!

One of our own!
ASWB/CSWE Licensing and Regulation National Taskforce

Congratulations to Tiffany Adamson! She has been appointed to the ASWB/CSWE licensing and regulation national taskforce. She will get to share her expertise with licensing and regulation and establish new ways to enrich the social work curriculum at OU!
Alumni in Action
Harmony Fuller, MSW ’17

Recently, the Osage Nation Family Violence Program (ONFVP) constructed a new domestic violence shelter serving both Native Americans and non-natives alike. Harmony Fuller is Osage and holds the community at Osage Nation’s Wah-Zha-Zhi Health Center in Pawhuska, OK near and dear to her heart. The ONFVP refers clients to Ms. Fuller for therapeutic services. Because of her passion for working in the DV/SA field, she was asked to speak at the ribbon-cutting ceremony. She was able to discuss the short- and long-term impacts of domestic violence on children and introduced the CDC-Kaiser Adverse Childhood Experiences Study to those in attendance. Furthermore, she spoke on resiliency and the importance of connecting children and families to community resources to foster this resiliency and the healing process.

"The Zarrow School of Social Work has prepared me in community practice, and I am grateful to get to use my skill set to help support the important programs offered by Osage Nation." - Harmony Fuller, MSW ’17

Miss Black OU
Monica Fray, BSW Student

On February 17th, Monica Fray won Miss Black OU at the Black Student Association’s Mister and Miss Black University of Oklahoma 2018 Scholarship Pageant. Her platform was “Not Alone” and focused on mental illness in college students with an emphasis on students of color. Way to go Monica!

Continuing Education
Never stop learning!

The Anne and Henry Zarrow School of Social Work Program for Continuing Education seeks to provide high quality continuing education events to Oklahoma social workers. We have events on both the Norman and Tulsa campus as well as in Northwest Oklahoma. View our current offerings here.

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Update OU Alumni Information

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere"
- Martin Luther King, Jr.