

# THE NAVIGATOR

## GSSW Opportunities and Career Advice for Charting Your Career Journey

August 28th, 2020



### SIGHT SEEING: Upcoming Networking opportunities

#### Health & Human Services Career Fair - Virtual

Where or not you are jumping into a job search this fall or not, it's NEVER too early to connect with organizations. This virtual career fair allows you to connect with organizations specific to the Social Work field.

Sept 23rd. @ 2PM MDT

Register - <https://du.12twenty.com/events#/events/30006101060855>

#### Gov't & Non-Profit Career Fair - Virtual

Are you looking to make a difference in local government? Want to continue to do good as part of a Non Profit organization? Join this virtual fair to explore options in these industries and learn more about career and internship opportunities at a wide variety of organizations.

Oct. 7th @ 3PM MDT

Register - <https://du.12twenty.com/events#/events/30006101060860>

### DU Alumni & Community Engagement Virtual Programming & Continuing Education

**\*\*Limited amount of free student spots, please only register if attending.\*\***

[https://socialwork.du.edu/academics/continuing-education?](https://socialwork.du.edu/academics/continuing-education?utm_campaign=GSSWMARCOMM%3AInternal&utm_source=dispatchnews&utm_medium=email#disabilityjustice)

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Upcoming Events:

- The Color Line and Social Work Practice - Oct. 19th
- Trauma-informed and culturally responsive practices in schools - Nov 19 & 20

### SW Association Events

#### CSCSW Salon Series

#### Mental Health Practice Act Changes as a Result of Sunset 2020

Sept 24th @ 6PM MDT

[https://coclinicalsocialwork.org/content.aspx?page\\_id=4001&club\\_id=25243&action=cira](https://coclinicalsocialwork.org/content.aspx?page_id=4001&club_id=25243&action=cira)

#### "Doing It Right: Sex Therapy for Novices"

Oct 22nd @ 7PM MT

[https://coclinicalsocialwork.org/content.aspx?page\\_id=4001&club\\_id=25243&action=cira](https://coclinicalsocialwork.org/content.aspx?page_id=4001&club_id=25243&action=cira)

#### NASW 2020 -TX Conference- Virtual Conference

October 8-10th

Informatin & Register: <https://www.naswtx.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=1392671>

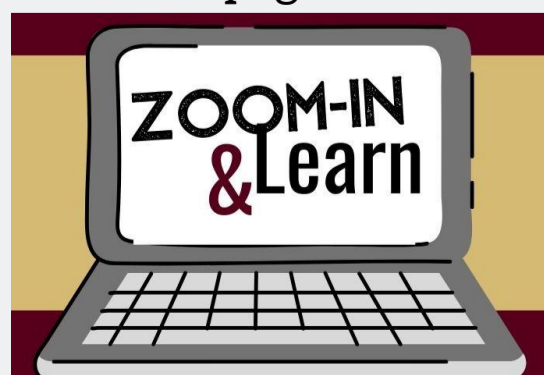
**Missed Career Events over the Summer? Don't worry...many have been recorded and available for viewing.**

Visit the Career Development Tab>Webinars on the Student Resource Portal Link:

<http://portfolio.du.edu/GSSWStudentResourcePortal/page/85417>

View events such as Zoom-in & Learns on:

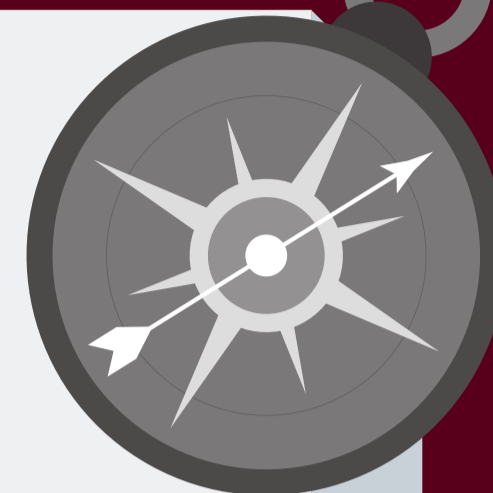
- Community Organizing
- Public Health
- Child Welfare
- and many more...



EVENT RECORDINGS



### TRAVEL TIPS: Useful Career Resources



#### IS YOUR OLD LINKEDIN ACCOUNT HURTING YOU?

It has been found that LinkedIn users with a comprehensive profile and have their URL address added to their resume contact header are over 70% more likely to receive an invite to interview! To those of you that may be job searching, this can certainly help. The truth is that the majority of GSSW students don't have a functioning LinkedIn profile. And those that do often state, "I have a profile from my undergrad, but I haven't looked at it in a long time." Unfortunately, this can affect how you are perceived in a hiring process. Take a few minutes and update your profile, and keep in mind a few simple reminders:

- **Your profile is written in a robotic tone.** Unlike a formal resume document, your LinkedIn profile encourages you to showcase your professional personality and creativity. Make sure that your personality shines through items like your summary, photo and background image.
- **Update your experience.** Showcase a professional approach by making sure your experience section is up to date.
- **Skills are aligned.** Accomplishing your MSW is a huge undertaking, one that provides you with a toolbox full of skills. Make sure that the skills required for your career aspirations are listed in your skills section.
- **Comprehensive network.** Social work is about PEOPLE, which includes connection within your network online. When someone hires you, they not only hire you, they hire a candidate that has a wealth of connections and resources.
- **Active online presence.** LinkedIn can open a door full of information, resources, opportunities for involvement, etc. It also provides a quick avenue to stay connected to faculty, former colleagues, etc. Showcase that you are a "life-long" learner and a resource to others through your LinkedIn activity.

**\*\*If you have concerns about how to create a profile, or you are worried about privacy settings, please reach out! [gssw.careers@du.edu](mailto:gssw.careers@du.edu)**



### NEW TRAVELERS: Specific Information for New GSSW Students connecting with Career Services

Don't miss out on the pre-orientation session with Career Services!

#### Aligning Your Career - Sept. 9th @ 12PM MDT

Understanding how your career interests and goals relate to industry employment trends will aid you in making sound decisions throughout your GSSW program. Get a jump start on navigating your future with GSSW Career Development Advisor, Stacy Said.





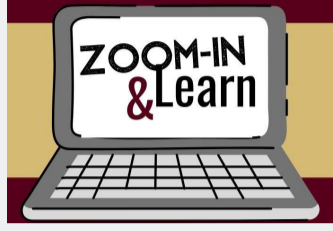
## JOURNEY: Upcoming Events to attend

To see event details or register: [www.du.edu/pioneercareers](http://www.du.edu/pioneercareers)

### FALL PROGRAMMING LINE-UP

Save the Date for the following Fall quarter career events. Save your spot by registering within Pioneer Careers Online (PCO) > Events tab.

\*\*[www.du.edu/pioneercareers](http://www.du.edu/pioneercareers)\*\*



- **Zoom-in & Learn: Social Workers & Clients with Substance Abuse Disorder** - Working with individuals that are diagnosed with or affected by Substance Abuse has been elevated during the pandemic. The COVID-19 pandemic presents unique challenges for people with substance use disorders and in recovery. Alumni panelists share their experiences of working within this area of social work practice.
  - Sept. 29th @ 3PM MDT
  - <https://du.12twenty.com/events#/events/30006101059237>
- **Zoom-in & Learn: CEO's & COO's as Social Workers** - Recent corporate struggles demonstrate the need for the very skills that social workers bring. All companies—and society at large—could benefit from the system-focused, culturally sensitive social work mindset. Whether working within a non-profit, government or private sector, combining your traditional social work skills with business fundamentals can be powerful to serve employee, clients and the community as a whole. Alumni panelists share their experiences of working as a social worker within C-suite executives.
  - Nov. 10th @ 11:30AM MT
  - <https://du.12twenty.com/events#/events/30006101059424>

### Exploratory Interviewing: A Tool for finding your Career Path

Some experts say that 70 percent of people ended up in their current position thanks to networking. Others say it's more like 80 percent or even 85 percent. Simply applying to online job postings is not enough. One way to explore career direction as it relates to your MSW and the secret job market, especially as a new professional or in a new location, is through Exploration Interviewing.

Sept 25th @ 2pm MDT

<https://du.12twenty.com/events#/events/30006101061931>

### Exploring Careers & Concentrations - Kick-off Event!

Connecting your GSSW experience and education to the greater Social Work field is pivotal in transitioning from student to graduate. The earlier that one can learn about, connect and network with those involved in your academic & career interest the better. Come and explore concentration information, meet representatives working within community organizations and begin to build your connection to the field.

Oct. 9th @ 2PM MT

<https://du.12twenty.com/events#/events/30006101061941>

### Career Readiness Week

Strategizing your job search is important as it increases your confidence and utilizes your valuable time wisely. Learn best practices for your job search from your Career Advisor, Stacy!

Oct. 19th - 23rd

- Making Your LinkedIn Profile POP!  
<https://du.12twenty.com/events#/events/30006101061921>
- Tailoring Your Resume for the Social Work Field  
<https://du.12twenty.com/events#/events/30006101061919>
- Writing Strategic Cover Letters  
<https://du.12twenty.com/events#/events/30006101061929>
- Polishing Your Interview  
<https://du.12twenty.com/events#/events/30006101061924>
- Strategize Your Job Search  
<https://du.12twenty.com/events#/events/30006101061927>



## DESTINATIONS: Find job details in PioneerCareers

The following job opportunities have all been posted on PCO in the last two weeks. To see their details, log onto PCO:

[www.du.edu/pioneercareers](http://www.du.edu/pioneercareers) & login

#### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Moving forward all Fulltime, student employment and campus work study positions will be posted to Pioneer Careers Online. If you find an internship within PCO, make sure to communicate your interest with the GSSW Field Office for approval.

#### COLORADO BASED:

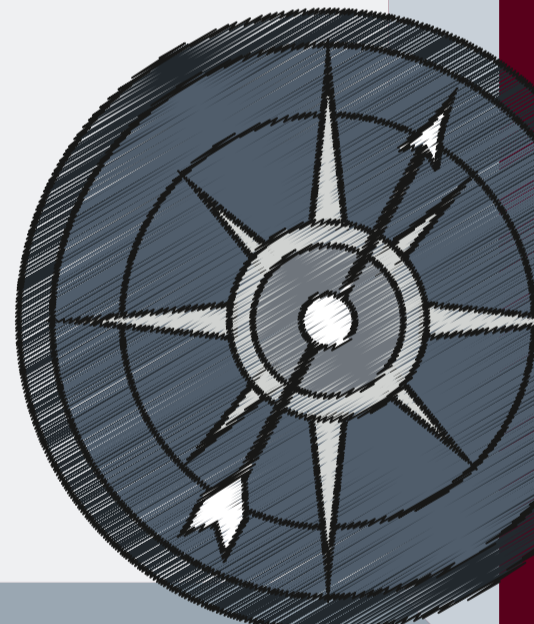
- Director of Community Organizing - Wilderness Workshop
- Bilingual Program Coordinator - Summit County Government
- Bilingual Engagement & Planning Associate - Joining Vision and Action
- Intake Clinician - Devereux
- Social Worker - Douglas County School District
- Canvasser - Hope Blinne
- Digital Canvasser - 9 to 5 - deadline TODAY!
- Behavioral Health, LCSW - Cortez Clinic
- Behavioral Health, LCSW - Dolores Clinic
- Behavioral Health, LCSW - Rocky Ford Health Center
- Behavioral Health, LCSW - Alpine Medical Specialty Practice
- Service Coordinator - Denver Housing Authority
- Licensed Therapist - Monument
- Health Coach - Virta Health

#### NATIONAL/REMOTE:

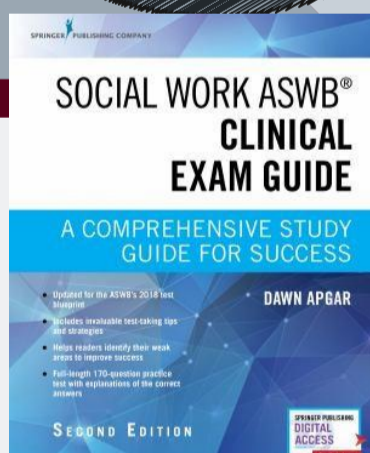
- Community Services Caseworker - Kemmerer Village, IL
- Behavioral Analyst - Healthpro Heritage, TX
- Addiction Counselor - Hazelden Betty Ford, WA
- Health Coach - Virta Health

#### STUDENT:

- GSSW Advancement & Alumni Engagement Coordinator



## TRAVEL GUIDES: Specific Career Services Information for Graduating GSSW Students



## Licensure Exam Information

### GSSW VIRTUAL PREP COURSE

Upcoming Dates: Sept 11-12, Oct 16-17 & Nov 13-14

Refer to **Licensure** info on the **Student Resource Portal**

<http://portfolio.du.edu/GSSWStudentResourcePortal/page/86268>

#### Found employment? Let us know!

Update your "Outcome" within your Pioneer Careers Online (PCO) profile ([www.du.edu/pioneercareers](http://www.du.edu/pioneercareers)) or email [gssw.careers@du.edu](mailto:gssw.careers@du.edu)