**SECTION 1.**

**NAME:**

**UTRGV STUDENT ID:**

**UTRGV EMAIL:**

**ADDRESS:**

**CITY:**

**ZIP CODE:**

**CELL PHONE:**

**ALTERNATE PHONE:**

**UTRGV LEARNING SITE:**

**\*MAKE A DROP DOWN OF LOCATIONS: \***

**-BROWNSVILLE**

**-EDINBURG**

**-LAREDO**

**SECTION 2.**

**Important Information Regarding Criminal History and Licensure**

**Admission to the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) program is not automatically precluded by criminal background. However, prospective students should be aware that certain criminal convictions may affect eligibility for licensure as a social worker in the state of Texas.**

**According to the Texas Occupations Code, the licensing authority may deny, suspend, or revoke a license—*or disqualify an individual from taking the licensing exam*—if the person has been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor, or has received deferred adjudication for an offense that:**

1. Is listed in Article 42A.054 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure (commonly referred to as "3g offenses"),
2. Is classified as a sexually violent offense under Article 62.001 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, or
3. Directly relates to the duties and responsibilities of a licensed social worker.

**If you have concerns about how your criminal history may impact your future licensure, you may request a Criminal History Evaluation Letter from the Texas Behavioral Health Executive Council. The application form and instructions are available on their website:**[**Criminal History Evaluation Letter Application**](https://bhec.texas.gov/applying-for-a-license/prospective-applicants-with-criminal-backgrounds/)

**Please answer the following questions:**

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony? Yes No

1. If yes, when did it occur?
2. What was the nature of the misdemeanor/ felony?
3. Please describe the outcome, including any sentencing details such as incarceration, probation, parole, deferred adjudication, or other court-ordered conditions.

**SECTION 3.**

**\*PLEASE PUT THIS AS A FILL-IN BOX ON OUR WEBSITE. AND REMOVE OFF “DOCUMENTS NEEDED” \***

**Personal Statement**

**As part of your application to the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) program, please submit a personal statement that helps us understand your interest in the field and allows us to assess your writing skills.**

**Please write a well-developed paragraph for each question. Your statement should demonstrate your ability to communicate clearly and effectively, using complete sentences, proper grammar, punctuation, and spelling. Aim for a total length of approximately 500–750 words.**

**Your response should address the following questions:**

1. What inspired you to pursue a degree in social work?  
   Was social work your first choice of major? If not, what influenced your decision to change your major to social work?

[Text Box – Minimum 150 words]

1. What experiences have shaped your interest in this field?  
   Describe any volunteer work, community involvement, or personal experiences that led you to consider a career in social work.

[Text Box – Minimum 150 words]

1. What kind of work do you hope to do after earning your social work degree?  
   Share your goals, the populations you hope to serve, or the settings in which you’d like to work.

[Text Box – Minimum 150 words]

**Section #4: Signature**

**By signing below, you affirm that all information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of your knowledge. You understand that providing false or misleading information may result in denial of admission or removal from the BSW program.**

**Student’s Digital Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**