

SOCIAL WORK, CHILD WELFARE, CERTIFICATE

(Code 460-605)

The Social Work Program offers two certificates, the **Social Work—Child Welfare Certificate** and the **Social Work—Gerontology Certificate**. Both certificates require 12 credits of course work. These certificates are open to majors within the College of Education and Human Sciences.

Child Welfare Certificate

The child welfare certificate is developed around preparing students to become an effective advocate for children as victims and survivors of child abuse.

The coursework within this program will increase students' understanding of factors that lead to child maltreatment, as well as how to work effectively in various agencies and systems to respond to such incidents. Students may want to add a child welfare certificate if they are interested in areas such as child protective services, foster care, or adoption.

Requirements:

The student must complete, at a grade level of C or above, the required Social Work course within the selected certificate program and three other electives from the list of electives for the certificate program (see the following).

Required Courses

SW 385	Child Welfare	3
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Electives (Choose nine credits)		9
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SW 395	Directed Studies	
CRMJ 302	Youth Crime and Juvenile Justice	
HIST 370	History of the Family in America	
PSYC 331	Child Psychology	
PSYC 332	Psychology of Adolescence	
PSYC 334	Psychology of the Exceptional Child	
SOC 316	Sociology of Family	
SPED 200	Introduction to Diverse Learners	
SPED 465	Child Abuse and Neglect: Educational Implications	

Other courses as approved by the student's advisor and department chair. All certificate courses must be completed with a C (or S) or better.