

SOCIAL WORK, CHILD WELFARE, CERTIFICATE

(Code 460-605)

The Social Work Program offers three certificates, the **Social Work—Child Welfare Certificate**, the **Social Work—Gerontology Certificate**, the **Social Work - Mental Health and Well-Being Certificate**.

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:

This certificate requires 12 credits of course work and is open only to majors within the College of Education and Human Sciences. 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).

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Required Courses | | |
| SW 385 | Child Welfare | 3 |
| Electives (Choose nine credits) | | |
| 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 | |
| SEIP 200 | Introduction to Diverse Learners | |
| SW 395 | Directed Studies | |
| SW 492 | Advanced Child Welfare | |

Other courses as approved by the student's advisor and department chair.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be expected to meet the following learning outcomes:

- Be prepared to become effective advocates for children as victims and survivors of child abuse.
- Increase their understanding of factors that lead to child maltreatment.
- Work effectively in various agencies and systems to respond to incidents of child maltreatment.