Social Justice in Education Graduate Certificate

The Graduate Certificate in Social Justice in Education supports the understanding, knowledge, and skills needed to create a just and equitable society. The curriculum focuses on institutional and personal processes, values, attitudes, and behaviors that sustain injustice while encouraging the development of positive educational, familial, community-centric, and social group advocacy and action.

The Graduate Certificate in Social Justice is an 18 credit hour program. To earn a certificate, one must a) complete 6 credit hours in the Foundations Choice Sequence, b) complete 12 credit hours in the Elective Choice Sequences, and as a capstone c) submit during the final semester of the program, for review by a faculty panel, an artifact/assignment from a Certificate course together with a written reflection that articulates in what ways it represents one’s learning to become more culturally competent and socially just.

**Foundations Sequence**

- ED FND 6430: Ecological Context of Urban Education
- TCH ED 6010: Examining History, Community and Social Justice in Education
- TCH ED 6350: Gender, Language and Identity

**Social Justice Electives**

Select four courses from the list of electives. The elective courses are organized into three categories: Social Justice and Action, Diversity, and Culture and Context. You may select your electives from any or all categories.

**Social Justice and Action Elective Courses**

- CNS ED 6830: Counseling African American Clients
- CNS ED 6840: Counseling Sexual and Gender Minorities
- CNS ED 6850: Social Class and Poverty Issues in Counseling
- TCH ED 6020: Teacher Action, Advocacy and Leadership

**Diversity Elective Courses**

- CNS ED 6030: Foundations for Multicultural Counseling
- ED FND 6430: Ecological Context of Urban Education
- GS 4100: Introduction to Feminist and Gender Theory
- TCH ED 6010: Examining History, Community and Social Justice in Education
- TCH ED 6350: Gender, Language and Identity

**Culture and Context Elective Courses**

- CNS ED 6220: Counseling Individuals with Disabilities

Course not taken for the Foundations Sequence requirement may be taken as an Elective course.