

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT IN ISSUES IN FAMILY VIOLENCE

The Certificate of Achievement requirements include completion of the certificate courses with a “C” or better grade in each course. Required and support courses may be substituted with the approval of the Social Sciences Division Chair.

This certificate prepares students for entry-level employment in the field of domestic violence. Students completing this certificate will acquire skills in critical thinking, legal issues related to domestic violence, child abuse, elder abuse, sexual assault, case planning, crisis intervention, theory-based assessment, working knowledge of community resources and hands-on work experience in a human services agency in the community.

Program Outcomes

- Analyze a person or family in a case vignette and come up with the key issues that are impacting the case.
- Identify any legal and ethical issues in providing services to a case vignette.
- Discuss planned interventions to assist the person or family in a case vignette.
- Use knowledge of community resources to “treat” issues in a case vignette.
- Identify ways to manage the student’s own issues that result from providing services to a case vignette, such as supervision, consultation, and setting limits.

Career Opportunities

Upon successful completion of this certificate, students will be prepared for employment in the following fields: family violence, domestic violence shelters, case management through Child Welfare Services, children’s programs, batterers intervention programs, and a variety of non-profit service organizations.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
REQUIRED CERTIFICATE COURSES		15
HSRV 101	Group Design and Leadership	4
HSRV 104	Issues in Family Violence	3
HSRV 120	Introduction to Social Welfare	3
or HSRV 012	Introduction to Social Work	
HSRV 121	Interviewing	5
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REQUIRED WORK EXPERIENCE		3
Select three units of the following courses (no more than three units of any course):		
WEXP 193H	Human Services Work Experience – First Semester	1-3
WEXP 194H	Human Services Work Experience - Second Semester	1-3
WEXP 195H	Work Experience Human Services - Third Semester	1-3
WEXP 196H	Work Experience Human Services - Fourth Semester	1-3
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TOTAL		18