Trauma Studies, Undergraduate Certificate

Department Psychological Sciences (PSYCH) INTDSC

The trauma studies certificate is designed for students who are interested in a focused specialty in trauma studies or victim services in addition to their own major. It is appropriate for students in the College Arts and Sciences or any of the schools of the university. It is particularly appropriate for students wishing to pursue careers in psychology, social work, sociology, criminology, law, public health, or nursing.

The undergraduate Certificate Program in Trauma is an interdisciplinary program requiring 18 credits of training across a minimum of 3 disciplines. This certificate is appropriate for students who want to specialize in working in a variety of professional settings with individuals who have been exposed to potentially traumatic events (e.g., physical and sexual assault, intimate partner violence, child abuse and neglect, community and gun violence, war, natural disasters). Students develop knowledge and competencies related to trauma exposure, posttraumatic growth, trauma-related difficulties including PTSD, and implications for working across a variety of professional settings.

Many but not all of the courses required by the Certificate Program in Trauma Studies have prerequisites. Some students may satisfy prerequisites by virtue of their prior curriculum and their major program of study. When this is not the case, students are responsible for satisfying the prerequisites.

Requirements

A student may earn a trauma studies certificate by completing 18 hours with a GPA of 2.0 or better from at least three departments from the following courses:

All students must take at least one course offered by 3 different departments (including their home department).

Up to 9 credit hours of coursework can apply to the major program of study. Certificate Coordinator's approval is required for trauma certificate courses to be double-counted towards another undergraduate certificate program at UM-St. Louis.

Required Course:		
PSYCH/GS 3232	Psychology of Trauma	3
Select at least three to fi	ive of the following:	12 9-15
Criminology and C	riminal Justice	
CRIMIN 1120	Criminal Law	
CRIMIN/SOC 4300	Communities and Crime	
CRIMIN/GS 4330	Violence Against Women	
CRIMIN/SOC/POL SCI/MVS 4345	War Crimes, Genocide, and Justice in the 20th and 21st Centuries	
CRIMIN 4350	Victimology	
Psychology		
PSYCH 2232	Psychology of Trauma	
PSYCH/GERON 3280	Psychology of Death and Dying	
PSYCH/CAST 3290	Traumatic Stress in Childhood and Adolescence	
PSYCH 3390	Directed Studies (for three credits only toward certificate) ¹	
	Child Maltreatment: A Multidisciplinary	
WK 4398	Approach	
Social Work		
SOC WK 3100	Social Work Practice with Individuals	
SOC WK 4601	Abused and Neglected Children	
SOC WK 4602	Child Welfare Practicum Seminar	
SOC WK/GS 4610	Intimate Partner Violence	
Sociology		
SOC 3250	Sociology of Victimization	
Choose up to two cours	es from the following:	6
Criminology and C	Criminal Justice	
CRIMIN 1120	Criminal Law	
CRIMIN 2240	Policing	
CRIMIN 2251	Youth Gangs	
CRIMIN 3230	Crime Prevention	

CRIMIN/GS/SOC 4325	Gender, Crime, and Justice	
CRIMIN/SOC 4340	Race, Crime, and Justice	
ED PSY 3312	Psychology of Learning, Instruction, and Assessment	
CNS ED 3200	Interpersonal Skills in Helping Relationships	
MVS 2100/SOC 2801	Veterans in American Society	
NURSE 3060	Behavioral Health Concepts	
NURSE 3214	Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing	
NURSE 3340	Behavioral Health Nursing	
Political Science		
POL SCI 2400	Public Administration	
POL SCI 2420	Introduction to Public Policy	
POL SCI/MVS 2860	Understanding Terrorism in the 21st Century	
PSYCH/SOC 2160	Social Psychology	
PSYCH/GS 2230	Psychology of Gender	
PSYCH 2245	Abnormal Psychology	
Social Work		
SOC WK 4630	Gender Issues in Social Work	
Sociology		
SOC/GS/HIST/POL SCI/SOC WK 2102	Introduction to Gender Studies	
SOC/PSYCH 2160	Social Psychology	
SOC WK 3210	Social Issues and Social Policy Development	
SOC 3268	The Sociology of Conflict	
SOC/CRIMIN 4340	Race, Crime, and Justice	
SOC WK/GS 3700	Diversity and Social Justice	
Total Hours		18

Special Topics courses relevant to trauma studies may be included in the certificate when approved in advance by the coordinator of the trauma studies certificate.

Sign-offs from other departments affected by this proposal None

Rationale

Per conversation with Betsy - Cleaned up (removed courses that were no longer offered, updated course #s as needed, and added a new SOC course since CAP). No other changes. Submitted to C&I process so this certificate can go to CBHE for State approval