

Graduate Certificate in Social Justice in Public Service



GRADUATE CERTIFICATE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Interdisciplinary course offerings
- Some courses available online
- Credits can be applied to other graduate programs
- 15 credit hours (5 courses)

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IS THIS CERTIFICATE RIGHT FOR ME?

The Social Justice in Public Service graduate certificate develops public service leaders who can influence policy with a focus on social justice. Students will explore factors that contribute to inequity among various groups, with a focus on providing a theoretical background and methods to analyze social justice issues in public service. Students will be exposed to principles of social justice as they apply to government and the nonprofit sector in education, health, environment, transportation, and housing policy domains among others.

SOCIAL JUSTICE IN PUBLIC SERVICE AT UCF

UCF offers a Graduate Certificate in Social Justice in Public Service that is aimed at students who wish to prepare for careers related to social justice issues.

Curriculum

The 15-credit-hour graduate certificate requires the completion of two core courses and three electives. The program examines the theoretical background of social justice - exploring topics such as human rights, income distribution and the role of markets.

Electives

Graduate students within the School of Public Administration may choose to apply the certificate elective credits to their graduate program if applicable.



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CORE COURSES:

- Foundations of Social Justice for Public Service
- Policy Advocacy for Social Justice

ELECTIVES:

- Global Cities
- Urban Resilience
- Women and Public Policy
- Social Inequalities in Health
- Peace Studies
- Environmental Security
- Managing Community and Economic Development
- Cross-Sectoral Governance
- Leadership in Public Service
- Equitable Education Opportunity and Life Chances
- Multicultural Education
- Food Insecurity and Health
- Political and Economic Inequality in Comparative Perspective
- Human Rights and Security



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Prospective students seeking enrollment in the graduate certificate in Social Justice in Public Service should submit the following for consideration:

- An official, sealed transcript of each college or university attended, showing a GPA of 2.5 or better
- A current resume
- A goal statement, no longer than two pages, addressing the following:
 - What is your reason for pursuing this certificate, and how does it fit into your future goals and plans?
 - What specific areas of social justice interest you?

APPLY BY JULY 1

The Social Justice in Public Service graduate certificate debuts fall 2020. Interested students can apply at www.ucf.edu/apply-to-ucf.

ABOUT THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

The School of Public Administration provides a quality education to undergraduate and graduate students who are interested in pursuing careers in nonprofit management, public administration, public policy, research administration, urban and regional planning, and emergency management. The School's location at UCF Downtown positions it to seamlessly incorporate both study and practice due to its close proximity to government agencies and nonprofit organizations, serving communities in Central Florida and beyond.

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