

Social Justice and Service Learning Certificate (BILINGUAL)

The bilingual Certificate in Social justice and Service Learning expands Spanish students' participation in applied social sciences work and initiatives, enriching their language proficiency and helping them apply their knowledge of Latino culture, history and politics through professional-like social justice and service learning initiatives. Sociology students will benefit as well thanks to the applied professionalization that the certificate offers.

This interdisciplinary certificate builds on a core course in two departments: one course in service learning in the Spanish Department, and another core course in service learning applied to the Latino community offered by the Sociology Department. Additionally, students will choose one elective in the Spanish or Sociology departments.

MISSION

Create and provide a unique learning experience to empower students with the knowledge, skills, empathy, and understanding of cross-cultural environments. This process will enable students to develop culturally competence practices to make positive changes in the Latino community.

CORE COURSES

- SOC 409 Practicum: Latino/a Ed Mentor (1-6)
 - SPAN 309 Service-Learning in Spanish (1-4)
- Choose one:*
- SOC 407 Seminar: Special Topics in Sociology (3)
 - SOC 435 Chicano/a/Latino/a Studies: Social Issues, Social Movements (3)
 - SOC 450 Latin American Society (3)
 - SPAN 328 Introduction to Chicano Literature and Culture (4)
 - SPAN 360 Introduction to Hispanic Literatures (4)
 - SPAN 371 Contemporary Latino Literature and Culture (4)
 - SPAN 491 Studies in Latino Literature (4)

TOTAL CREDITS: 11-12

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Developing a sense of self as a learner, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.
- Adapts and applies skills, abilities, theories, or methodologies gained in one situation to new situations.
- Developing personal and social responsibility.
- Development of cultural competence and global worldview.

