

Social Transformation, Certificate

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Do you have a passion for creating social change? Learn how social movements have shaped society, how diverse communities near and far have sought social change, and how you can develop new methods to solve social problems.

Description

Students enrolled in the certificate program examine how varied communities have faced and addressed the needs of social change. They consider how to apply what they have learned in identifying just solutions to the social problems currently faced by society. The areas of focus include a variety of themes, such as:

- civil rights movements
- democracy movements
- gender equality
- gender justice
- immigration
- labor movements

At a glance

- **College/School:** [The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](#)
- **Location:** [Tempe](#)

Program requirements

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The certificate requires a minimum of 15 credit hours, of which at least 12 credit hours must be completed at the upper-division level. A minimum of 12 credit hours must be completed at ASU. Courses for the certificate must be completed with a grade of "C" (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) or higher.

Required Courses -- 6 credit hours

APA 220 / JUS 220 / SST 220: Introduction to Social Transformation (3)

SST 484: Internship or SST 499: Individualized Instruction (3)

Electives (choose three) -- 9 credit hours

AFR 325 / JUS 326: Music as Political Discourse: Reggae, Calypso, and Hip Hop (HU & H & G) (3)

AFR 365 / WST 364: Unruly Voices: Black Women and Cultural Narratives (HUAD OR HU & C) (3)

AFR 420: Race Ethnicity and Politics in the African Diaspora (SB & G) (3)

AFR 470: Women's International Human Rights (3)

APA 350: Inequality and Diversity in Education (CIVI OR L & C) (3)

COM 312: Communication, Conflict, and Negotiation (CIVI) (3)

COM 341: Social Contexts for Performance (3)

ENG 333: American Ethnic Literature (3)

ENG 367: Environmental Issues in Literature and Film (3)

ENG 371: Rhetoric of the Environmental Movement (3)

HST 306: Studies in United States History (3)

HST 354: Revolutionary Europe (GCSI OR SB & H) (3)

JUS 320: Community and Social Justice (SB & C) (3)

JUS 321: Wealth Distribution and Poverty (SOBE OR SB & C) (3)

JUS 350: Immigration and Justice (SOBE OR SB & C) (3)

JUS 375: Justice and the Mass Media (SOBE OR SB) (3)

JUS 430: Social Protest, Conflict, and Change (CIVI OR (L or SB) & C) (3)

JUS 444: Environment and Justice (L & C) (3)

JUS 460: Feminism and Justice (C) (3)

JUS 497: Digital Activism (3)

NLM 410: Social Entrepreneurship (3)

PAF 305: Urban Governance (3)

REL 379: Religion, Nationalism, and Ethnic Conflict (GCSI OR HU & G) (3)

SOC 352: Social Change (CIVI OR SB & G & H) (3)

TCL 340: Chicana/o and Latina/o Politics and Policy (L & C) (3)

TCL 341: Latinas/os and the City (C) (3)

THP 482: Theatre for Social Change (CIVI OR C) (3)

WST 375: Women and Social Change (SB & C) (3)

WST 377: History of American Feminist Thought (HUAD OR H & C) (3)

WST 378: Global Feminist Theory (GCSI OR L & G) (3)

WST 380: Race, Gender, and Class (SOBE OR SB & C) (3)

Courses in addition to those in the list above may be used with the approval of an academic advisor in the School of Social Transformation.

Prerequisite courses may be needed in order to complete the requirements of this certificate.

Enrollment requirements

A student pursuing an undergraduate certificate must be enrolled as a degree-seeking student at ASU. Undergraduate certificates are not awarded prior to the award of an undergraduate degree. A student already holding an undergraduate degree may pursue an undergraduate certificate as a nondegree-seeking graduate student.

Program learning outcomes

Program learning outcomes identify what a student will learn or be able to do upon completion of their program. This program has the following program outcomes:

- Employ and critically assess core theory, concepts, and methods for the study of social change issues and examining solutions to social problems.
- Apply the foundations and principles of social change to the specific domestic or international issues through community engagement and research.

Career opportunities

Graduates who have combined the certificate in social transformation with their major program of study may become more marketable to employers. They often decide to pursue employment in law, education, public service, and human welfare and social work.

Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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