INTERDISCIPLINARY LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATE IN DISABILITY STUDIES

Minimum Requirements for Admission
Possession of a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution is required. Application for admission to the Leadership Certificate in Disability Studies program must be made to the School of Graduate Studies.

Student Learning Outcomes
Students graduating from this program will:

- Demonstrate appropriate depth and breadth of knowledge in their disciplines.
- Use skills of interdisciplinary scholarship and research to integrate multiple perspectives.
- Work effectively in a collaborative environment.
- Effectively communicate results of their research to diverse audiences.
- Understand and value diverse approaches to problems.
- Use self-reflection for personal and professional improvement.

Program Requirements
The Interdisciplinary Leadership in Disability Studies certificate program is offered through the School of Graduate Studies and the Institute for Human Development. Disability Studies is a relatively new, interdisciplinary field that studies disability from a social and cultural context. The certificate can be completed either in conjunction with a graduate degree program or as a free-standing credential. Students in such diverse fields as sociology, psychology, nursing, pharmacy, law, social work, public administration, urban planning and design and education are well suited for this certificate. Students who receive the certificate will be prepared to influence public policy, professional practice, societal arrangements and cultural values that shape the meaning of disability.

Required Courses

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Curriculum Requirements
At least 60 percent of the certificate course work must be at or above the 500 level.

Credit Hours
A minimum of 12 credit hours is required for the certificate.

Requirements for Retention
Students must maintain a 3.0 grade point average while enrolled. The minimum acceptable grade for 400 level courses is B, and for 500 level and above courses, B-.

Time Limit for Completion of Certificate Program
All work toward the Leadership Certificate in Disability Studies must be completed in 4 years.

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