

# VICTIMS AND VICTIM SERVICES CERTIFICATE

## Introduction

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The undergraduate certificate in Victims and Victim Services provides a detailed, comprehensive, and advanced education in fields related to victims and victim services. The program is designed to meet the needs of students who wish to work in fields related to victim services or who are currently working in this field and would like to enrich their professional development.

The program applies a multi-faceted approach to higher education that:

- Enhances analytical thinking and inclusive, relevant approaches to learning and the development of professional skills; and
- Focuses on specific, yet comprehensive, substantive areas of victims and victim services that students can apply to their current or future careers in the field.

Students completing the Victims and Victim Services certificate program will have the knowledge and skills to evaluate, manage, and respond to a variety of situations and issues that professionals in fields related to victims and victim services face. Specifically, they will possess technical, analytic, substantive, and ethical proficiencies that will facilitate their professional interactions and development. They will understand the different environments and contexts in which victim advocates and other professionals in this and related field carry out their responsibilities.

## Program Delivery

- Courses are offered on campus, online, and in remote and hybrid formats.

## Declaring This Certificate

- Please contact [spa.advising@ucdenver.edu](mailto:spa.advising@ucdenver.edu)

### General Requirements

Students must satisfy all requirements as outlined below and by the school offering the certificate.

- Click here (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/>) for information about Academic Policies

## Program Requirements

1. The undergraduate certificate in Victims and Victim Services requires 18 credit hours of coursework.
2. A maximum of 6 transfer credit may be applied to the certificate.
3. Students must receive a minimum C- grade in each undergraduate course applied to satisfy the certificate requirements.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		
CRJU 1000	Criminology and Criminal Justice: An Overview	3
CRJU 2041	Criminological Theory	3
CRJU 3285	Trauma in the Criminal Justice System	3
CRJU 4170	Victimology	3
<b>Elective Courses</b>		
Select one course from each of the following categories:		6
<i>Violence Focus</i>		
Select *one* course from the Violence Focus list (p. )		
<i>Professional Setting</i>		
Select *one* course from the Professional Setting list (p. )		
Total Hours		18

## Program Electives

There are two elective categories, Violence Focus and Professional Setting. The Violence Focus elective allows the student to learn about an area of violence in a more in-depth capacity. The Professional Setting elective allows the student to hone skills related to service delivery.

### Violence Focus

Code	Title	Hours
CRJU 3250	Violence in Society	3
CRJU 3280	Trauma Among Correctional Populations	3
CRJU 4140	Domestic Violence and Crime	3
CRJU 4150	Sex Offenders and Offenses	3
ETST 2115	Genocide in the 21st Century: Darfur and Beyond	3
HDFR 1080	Lifespan Issues in Family Violence	3
HIST 4308	Crime, Policing, and Justice in American History	3
PSCI 4807	Political Violence	3
PSYC 3611	Psychology of Women	3
SOCY 4460	Hate Groups and Group Violence	3

Students must adhere to departmental pre-requisites, if applicable. Other electives not already listed may be considered, but the student must receive approval from the academic advisor prior to enrollment.

### Professional Setting

Code	Title	Hours
CRJU 4939	Internship	1-9
HDFR 4003	Leadership and Organizations	3
HDFR 4004	Family and Comm. Prog. II Grant Writing/ Fundraising	3
HDFR 4090	Helping Profession Skills in HDFR	3
HDFR 4260	Family Systems and Social Justice	3
PMUS 3110	Social and Political Implications of American Music	3
PUAD 3002	Program Design, Evaluation, and Decision-Making	3
PUAD 3003	Introduction to Nonprofit Organizations	3
PUAD 3110	Seminar in Nonprofit Management	3
PUAD 4002	Leading for the Public Good	3
PUAD 4009	Human Service Organizations	3

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