# 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.

### **General Requirements**

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

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### **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.
- Students must receive a minimum C- grade in each undergraduate course applied to satisfy the certificate requirements.

| Code                    | Title  | Hours |
|-------------------------|--|-------|
| Required Courses        | 5  |       |
| 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> |  | 6     |
| Select one course       | e from each of the following categories:       |       |
| Victims Focus           |  |       |
| Select (p.              | )one course from the Victims Focus list        |       |
| Professional Se         | etting   |       |
| Select (p.              | )one course from the Professional Setting list |       |
| Total Hours             |  | 18    |

# **Program Electives**

There are two elective categories, Victims Focus and Professional Setting. The Victims 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.

#### Victims Focus

| Code  | Title I  | Hours |  |  |
|---|--|-------|--|--|
| CRJU 3250   | Violence in Society  | 3     |  |  |
| CRJU 3280   | Trauma Among Correctional Populations  | 3     |  |  |
| CRJU 3290   | Capital Punishment   | 3     |  |  |
| CRJU 4140   | Interpersonal Violence   | 3     |  |  |
| CRJU 4150   | Sex Offenders and Offenses   | 3     |  |  |
| CRJU 4600   | Special Topics in Criminology and Criminal Justic<br>(Fatal Violence Against Indigenous Women) | e 1-6 |  |  |
| CRJU 4600   | Special Topics in Criminology and Criminal Justic<br>(Human Trafficking)                       | e 1-6 |  |  |
| CRJU 4600   | Special Topics in Criminology and Criminal Justic<br>(Juvenile Violence)                       | e 1-6 |  |  |
| 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     |  |  |
| SOCY 4780   | Violence in Relationships  | 3     |  |  |
| Students must adhere to departmental are requisited if applicable |  |       |  |  |

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 4310 | Leadership Roles in Criminal Justice   | 3     |
| CRJU 4939 | Internship (must be related to Victims and Victim Services and must be pre-approved) | n 1-9 |
| HDFR 4003 | Leadership and Organizations   | 3     |
| HDFR 4004 | Family and Comm. Prog. II Grant Writing/<br>Fundraising                              | 3     |
| HDFR 4090 | Helping Profession Skills in HDFR  | 3     |
| HDFR 4260 | Family Systems and Social Justice  | 3     |

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| HDFR 4860 | Trauma Informed Care for Diverse Populations and Co-occurring Disorders | 3 |
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| PUAD 3002 | Organizational and Strategic Management                                 | 3 |
| PUAD 3003 | Introduction to Nonprofit Organizations                                 | 3 |
| PUAD 3110 | Seminar in Nonprofit Management   | 3 |
| PUAD 4002 | Leading and Engaging for the Public Good                                | 3 |
| PUAD 4009 | Human Service Organizations   | 3 |

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