Description

The certificate program in diversity and equity studies in the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences, in the New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences at the West campus, prepares students to understand diversity. Possessing skills to work effectively with diverse colleagues, clients and leaders is fundamental to competitiveness in the increasingly diverse and transnational labor market. This certificate program develops intercultural competence through gaining knowledge related to the histories, practices and perspectives of diverse groups, both local and global. Reflecting on this knowledge permits students to develop strategies to work with and through differences of gender, race, ethnicity, sexuality, age, religion and class. Integrative social sciences perspectives enable bridge-building within and across differences to redress inequalities. This certificate is valuable to those pursuing careers in medicine, law, business and management, public policy, human resources, media, government and community advocacy.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** West campus

Program Requirements

The certificate in diversity and equity studies requires a minimum of 15 credit hours (at least 12 must be upper division). Students are encouraged to take courses that develop breadth rather than limiting their selection to courses in one particular discipline.

The certificate requires three core credit hours and 12 credit hours of electives. Electives are not limited to the certificate elective list; see academic advisor prior to enrollment.

All 15 credit hours must be completed through the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences in the New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences.
A maximum of six credit hours may be shared between the certificate and a New College major.

A maximum of three credit hours of internship or individualized instruction may be applied toward the certificate.

Only courses in which a student received a grade of "C" (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) or higher may be used to meet certificate requirements.

**Required Core Course -- 3 credit hours**

SBS 301: Cultural Diversity ((L or SB) & C) (3)

**Elective Courses (minimum 9 upper-division) -- 12 credit hours**

Students will select 12 elective credit hours from course work related to diversity and equity studies. Selected courses must come from at least two of the following prefixes: ASB, POS, SBS or SOC.

ASB 211: Women in Other Cultures ((HU or SB) & G) (3)
ASB 311: Principles of Social Anthropology (SB & G & H) (3)
ASB 339 / POS 339 / SBS 339 / SOC 339: Grassroots Social Movements (SB) (3)
ASB 340 / SOC 328: Migration and Culture (SB & G) (3)
ASB 342 / SBS 342 / SOC 342: Mexico-U.S. Borderlands (SB & C) (3)
ASB 346: Marriage and Family Diversity (SB & C) (3)
ASB 394 / POS 394 / SBS 394 / SOC 394: Special Topics (3)
ASB 442 / SBS 460: Global Cities (SB & G) (3)
ASB 447 / POS 447 / SBS 447: Citizenship, Nationalism, and Identity (SB & C) (3)
ASB 484 / POS 484: Internship or SBS 484: Internship or SOC 484: Internship (3)
ASB 494 / POS 494 / SBS 494 / SOC 494: Special Topics (3)
ASB 499 / POS 499 / SBS 499 / SOC 499: Individualized Instruction (3)
POS 357: South Asia Politics (SB & G) (3)
POS 436: Gender, Sexuality, Nation-States (3)
POS 437: Women, Power, and Politics (G) (3)
POS 438: Latino Politics (SB & C) (3)
SOC 241: Modern Social Problems (SB) (3)
SOC 264: Gender and Society (SB & C) (3)
SOC 270: Racial and Ethnic Relations (SB & C) (3)
SOC 371: Inequality and Sustainability (3)
SOC 400: Perspectives on Aging (SB) (3)
SOC 426: Social Inequality (SB) (3)
SOC 457: Global Social Movements (SB & G) (3)

Depending on a student's undergraduate program of study, 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.

Students should contact an advisor in the New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences for more information.

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