Social Entrepreneurship and Community Development (Graduate Certificate)

Program Description

Degree Awarded: Certificate Social Entrepreneurship and Community Development (certificate)

The social entrepreneurship and community development graduate certificate, offered through the School of Community Resources and Development, provides a framework for harnessing entrepreneurial and enterprise opportunities, creating transformative responses to challenges prevalent in societies and communities. This transdisciplinary program combines social entrepreneurship with innovative community development, providing a basis for exploring capacity building and fostering positive change for organizations, corporations, societies and economies. The certificate complements well the Master of Nonprofit Studies program for students interested in pursuing their degree and social entrepreneurship certificate. The certificate is designed for students studying nonprofit leadership and management, social entrepreneurship, public policy and related fields across disciplines and includes a hands-on portfolio component.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** Watts College of Public Service & Community Solutions
- **Location:** Downtown Phoenix campus or online

Degree Requirements

15 credit hours.

**Required Core (9 credit hours)**
- NLM 520 Financial and Resource Management (3)
- NLM 562 Social Entrepreneurship (3)
- NLM 572 Community and Social Innovation (3)

**Electives (6 credit hours)**
**Admission Requirements**

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree, in any field, from a regionally accredited institution.

Applicants must have a minimum of a 3.00 cumulative GPA (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of a student's first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum of a 3.00 cumulative GPA (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. proof of English proficiency

**Additional Application Information**

An applicant whose native language is not English (regardless of current residency) must provide proof of English proficiency.

**Attend Online**

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may view the program description and request more information here.

**Contact Information**

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