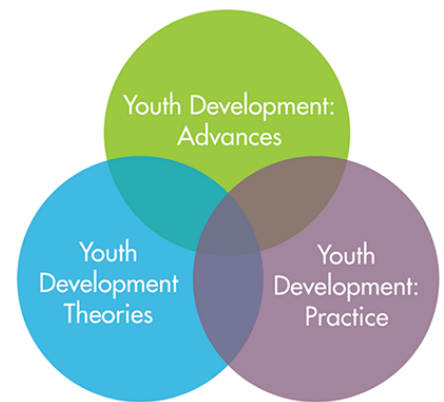


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CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK

The Graduate Certificate in Youth and Community Development is rooted in community psychology and the prevention sciences to provide a foundation for studying setting-level interventions and developmental needs. This program invites students to critically examine root causes and how individuals and organizations can address social inequalities. Students will study organizational change to develop understandings and competencies in transformational leadership to promote human flourishing.



COURSEWORK

(all courses are 3 credit hours unless otherwise stated)

Youth Development: Theory and Foundations (6 hours)

- FCS 6410: Advances in Youth and Community Development
- Choose One:
 - ED 6040 Childhood Learning and Development: Theory to Practice
 - ED 6035 Risk and Resilience in Adolescent Development
 - FCS 6510 Child Development: Theories and Practice [0-18]
 - FCS 5250 Adolescents in Development

Youth Development: Practice (3 hours)

- Choose One:
 - FCS 6420 Building Capacity and Quality in Youth and Community Development
 - ED 5950 Experiential Education and Place-Based Learning
 - FCS 6550 Adult-Child Relationships
 - ED 6700 Authority and Autonomy in Schooling
 - FCS 5350 Communication Skills



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