

# COMMUNITY ADVOCACY AND ENGAGEMENT - CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

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The Community Advocacy and Engagement Certificate of Achievement is designed to provide students with an opportunity to study a broad range of topics within Sociology and to gain direct experience working within a non-profit Community Based Organization (CBO). Issues of Diversity, Equity, and Social Justice are core to this Certificate. Students who enroll in Sociology courses are introduced to important and complex sociological issues impacting marginalized communities in the U.S. The importance of effective communication and collaboration with individuals from diverse backgrounds are emphasized. Topics addressed in courses within the Certificate include: the role and impact of social institutions in U.S. society, race relations, social stratification, and social class. Also introduced are the three major theoretical perspectives, applied in Sociology including: functionalism, conflict, and symbolic interaction. Students will utilize these theoretical perspectives to analyze various topics. The Work Experience course will provide students with the opportunity to gain invaluable experience working within a non-profit CBO. Students wishing to earn the Community Advocacy and Engagement Certificate of Achievement must complete each required area course with a grade of "C" or better.

## Program Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate both written and verbal proficiency critical in the field of Sociology.
- Effectively communicate and collaborate with individuals and apply sociological concepts related to Community Advocacy and Engagement within a non-profit Community Based Organization.

Course	Title	Units
<b>Required Core</b>		
SOC 010	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC 011	Social Problems	3
WE 088	General Work Experience	1-6
<b>Select 1 course from the following:</b>		<b>3</b>
SOC 018	Sociology of Race & Ethnicity	
SOC 019	Sociology of Sex and Gender	
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>10</b>