

# COMMUNITY-BASED LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT

The Certificate in Community-Based Leadership & Development is designed for students who want to be positive change agents and who seek to effectively engage, center, and empower community members when working towards social justice. In order to train students in this vision of leadership, the curricula prioritizes student learning within and across the following three areas:

- Participatory democratic skills, paths of civic engagement and personal empowerment;
- Knowledge and analysis of the operation of power and inequality in politics and policy, across social groups, and within institutions and organizations;
- Applied, engaged, community-based service work and research in our metropolitan community.

A core element of this Certificate is its focus on courses with service-learning projects and/or collaborative research with community organizations, to give you practical experience in current and local efforts, exposure to types of community organizations and processes, and applied understanding of concepts and theories from coursework. The Certificate can complement your major or it can be taken as a stand-alone credential.

As an interdisciplinary Certificate, students will have the opportunity to choose among a variety of electives in different subfields, such as health and the environment, community development, Michigan politics, entrepreneurship, and gender and sexuality.

## Certificate Requirements

15 credits are required for the certificate.

Non-degree students are required to take one Foundations course focusing on civic engagement, cultural competency, and/or diversity, including but not limited to:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
FNDS 1202	Democratizing Democracy: Expanding, Suppressing, Idealizing, & Ignoring the Right to Vote in Amer	3
FNDS 1205	Understanding Global Cultures	3
FNDS 1301	Trauma, Text, & the City	3
FNDS 1309	Let's Talk about Talk!	3
FNDS 1601	OK Boomer: Gen Z and Civic Engagement	3
FNDS 1602	Hope and Joy in Queer and Trans Lives	3
FNDS 1604	Biology is Not Destiny: Exploring the Role of Culture on Human Biology	3
FNDS 1605	DIY in Detroit	3
FNDS 1606	The A to Z of Aging and Why it Matters NOW	3
FNDS 3201	Weeds, Wastelands and the Salvation of the World	3
FNDS 3301	Restless Women	3

Degree and non-degree students must complete one of the following courses:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
SOC 200	Understanding Society	3
HHS 210	Intro to Social Work	3

Degree and non-degree students must complete one of the following courses:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
HHS 350	Comm Organizing for Health	3
POL 334	Organizing and Leadership	3

Degree and non-degree students must complete one of the following courses:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
AAAS 304	Detroit History and Culture	3
BA 320	Project Management and Leadership Skills	3
HHS 250	Intro to Environmental Health	3
POL 322	Michigan Government, Politics, & Public Policy	3
POL 323	Urban Politics	3
POL 484	Revitalizing Cities	3
URS 300	Urban and Regional Studies	3
WGST 404	Dissed: Differ, Power, Discrim	3
WGST 451	Family Diversity & Power	3

Degree students complete 2 and non-degree students complete 1 of the following courses:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
AAST 3151	Public History in Arab Detroit	3
AAST 3634	History of Islam in the US	3
ANTH 376	Power & Privilege in Southeast Michigan	3
COMM 364	Writing for Civic Literacy	3
CRJ 363	Crim Justice Syst and Policy	3
CRJ 417	Crimmigration	3
CRJ 483	Justice, Crime and Environment	3
ENT 403	Social Entrepreneurship	3
HHS 313	Metro Impact of HHS	3
JASS 315	Media Production for Metropolitan Community	3
SOC 435	Urban Sociology	3
SOC 476	Inside Out Prison Exchange	4
URS 450	Senior Capstone in Community Research	3

### Notes:

1. If a course changes to be non-ASL or community-engaged it will no longer count toward this list, to be determined by the Director of the Urban & Regional Studies Program.
2. Students may petition to transfer in 3 of the 15 required credits

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3. A minimum 2.5 GPA in the courses within the certificate is required.

4. Number of Pass/Fail Classes Allowed: 1