

RESILIENCY-BASED APPROACHES WITH FAMILIES, SCHOOLS, AND COMMUNITIES CGS

All students must meet the Requirements for the Certificates of Graduate Study

OVERVIEW

The program is built to address the growing need to improve workforce capacity for professionals who can successfully implement resiliency building strategies addressing the heightened incidence of trauma and adverse childhood experiences.

Students in the program gain a deep socio-ecological understanding of the structural solutions inherent in equity, culturally sustaining partnerships, and resilience; the impact of trauma and adversity; and a toolbox of skills for fostering resilience through building and restoring relationships with families, schools, and communities.

All coursework is online, though some electives may be met with on campus courses.

The CGS can stand alone as a defined certificate of graduate study or can stack into a master’s degree program in Counseling, Curriculum & Instruction, Educational Leadership, Social Work, and Special Education, or a doctoral degree in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies. To be a stackable credential, students must apply and be accepted into the CGS before the last 4 credits are taken.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

Requirements for Admission to Graduate Studies for the Certificate of Graduate Study

- Completed Bachelor’s Degree
- Official transcripts from each college or university where credit has been earned
- Three letters of recommendation
- A personal statement of purpose
- Test scores for English proficiency for applicants whose native language is not English
- Application fee of \$20

HOW TO APPLY

All applications and materials must be submitted through the UVM Graduate Admissions online application. Please carefully review the instructions before completing the application.

FOR EXTERNAL APPLICANTS TO THE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM: Applicants seeking to enroll in only a Certificate of Graduate Study program must complete the online UVM Graduate Application and all associated requirements. This application will need to include official transcripts from an accredited university as well as 3 letters of recommendation. A Bachelor's Degree is required for admittance.

FOR CURRENT UVM GRADUATE STUDENTS: Students currently enrolled in a UVM Master’s or Doctoral program must complete the online UVM Graduate Application. Letters of recommendation and transcripts are not required, and an application fee waiver can be provided.

Minimum Degree Requirements

To earn the certificate of graduate study, students must complete 15 credits including 6 credits of foundational courses, 6 credits of applied courses in a specialization pathway, and a 3 credit of capstone course. Students choose one of the following specialization pathways: Trauma-responsive and Restorative Practices (TRP) or Family-school-community and Interprofessional Collaboration (FSC). The capstone will apply skills and learning from earlier coursework.

Requirement Description		Credits
Foundational Courses (2 required)		
EDSP 6300	The Trauma Lens	3
EDSP 6320	Fam,Schl&Intrprof Partnerships	3
Applied & Capstone Courses (3 required. Others as approved by program coordinator)		
EDSP 6320	Fam,Schl&Intrprof Partnerships (If not taken as foundations course)	3
EDSP 6340	Restorative&Trma Pract w/Child	3
SWSS 6160	Integrative Appr Transform SW	3
EDRM 6310	Mixed Methods Research: Adv	3
CNSL 6991	Counseling Internship	3
EDML 6990	Special Topics (Social Justice Teaching & Advocacy)	3
EDSP 6130	Collaborative Consultation	3
Other courses may be approved with permission of CGS core faculty		

Students must take 3 of the following courses: EDSP 6300, EDSP 6320, EDSP 6330, EDSP 6340