

SOCIAL INNOVATION - CERTIFICATE

The certificate in social innovation prepares students for working in fields whose primary mission is to improve the lives of society's most vulnerable and disadvantaged people. The program will teach students how to design and execute evidence-based strategies for advancing human welfare.

The program's curriculum will provide students with:

- A substantive understanding of social problems;
- A methodology for conceiving solutions to such complex problems;
- A broad set of skills needed to implement solutions in new or existing organizations; and
- The tools for critically evaluating the effectiveness and sustainability of solutions.

Requirements

Admission Requirements

Degree seeking and non-degree seeking CU Boulder undergraduate students in good standing from any discipline will be eligible to participate in the social innovation certificate program. There will not be a grade point average requirement to enroll in the program; however, students will be required to achieve a C- or better in all coursework that applies toward the certificate.

Required Courses and Credits

The certificate requires the completion a minimum of 18 credits, of which 9 credits must be at the upper-division level. A maximum of 6 semester credit hours from other institutions will be accepted.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required Courses		
SOCY 4160	Designing Social Innovations	3
SOCY 4161	Executing Social Innovations ¹	3
Electives		12
Students will complete four of the following courses (only one of which can be from SOCY and no more than three of which may be from the any one other department) and, depending on their career goals, can choose all from the same area or from multiple areas.		
<i>Care, Health and Resilience</i>		
GEOG 3692	Introduction to Global Public Health	
IPHY 3490	Introduction to Epidemiology	
PHIL 3160	Bioethics	
PSYC 2606	Social Psychology	
SLHS 1010	Disabilities in Contemporary American Society	
<i>Economy</i>		
ANTH 4020	Explorations in Anthropology	
GEOG 3862	Global Africa: Environment, Development, and Culture	
GEOG 3672	Who Runs the World? Sex, Power, and Gender in Geography	

ECON 4242	Urban Economics: The Economics of Cities
ECON 4717	Economics of Entrepreneurship
SOCY 4071	Social Inequalities and Social Change
<i>Environment/Population</i>	
BAKR 1600	Creating a Sustainable Future
ECON 3535	Natural Resource Economics
ECON 3545	Environmental Economics
ECON 3784	Economic Development and Policy
ENVS 3030	Topics in Environmental Social Sciences
ENVS 3031	Environmental Psychology
ENVS 3032	Environment, Media and Society
GEOG 1962	Geographies of Global Change
SOCY 2077	Environment and Society
SOCY 3002	Population and Society
SOCY 4007	Global Human Ecology
SSIR 1010	Social Entrepreneurship & Sustainability
<i>Government</i>	
ECON 4211	Public Economics: the Economics of the Government Sector
PSCI 2106	Introduction to Public Policy Analysis
PSCI 3031	Political Parties and Interest Groups
PSCI 3274	Capitalism and its Critics
PSCI 4714	Liberalism and Its Critics
<i>International Affairs</i>	
ANTH 4500	Cross-Cultural Aspects of Socioeconomic Development
GEOG 3682	International Development: Economics, Power, and Place
IAFS 1000	Global Issues and International Affairs
PHIL 3260	Philosophy and the International Order
PSCI 3143	Current Affairs in International Relations
PSCI 4012	Global Development
<i>Society</i>	
ANTH 3170	America: An Anthropological Perspective
ANTH 4500	Cross-Cultural Aspects of Socioeconomic Development
ARSC 3001	
ETHN 2001	Foundations of Comparative Ethnic Studies: Race, Gender and Culture(s)
ETHN 2013	Critical Issues in Native North America
ETHN 2432	African American History
ETHN 2536	Survey of Chicana/o History and Culture
ETHN 3201	Social Justice, Leadership and Community Engagement Internships
GEOG 3742	Place, Power, and Contemporary Culture
IAFS 3000	Special Topics in International Affairs (Humanitarianism)
INVS 3302	Facilitating Peaceful Community Change
PACS 2500	Introduction to Peace, Conflict and Security Studies
PACS 3700	Communication and Conflict Management
SLHS 2000	Introduction to Communication Disorders

SOCY 2011	Contemporary Social Issues and Human Values
SOCY 2031	Social Problems
SOCY 2044	Crime and Society
SOCY 3141	Social Movements and the Politics of Protest
SOCY 4081	Sociology of Education
WGST 2000	Introduction to US Gender, Race and Sexuality Studies
WGST 3500	Global Gender Issues
<i>Technology</i>	
ATLS 4519	Advanced Special Topics in Creative Technology & Design (Design for Change)
EMEN 4200	Engineering and Entrepreneurship for the Developing World
EMEN 4825	New Venture Creation
ENES 1850	Engineering in History: The Social Impact of Technology
ENES 2130	History of Modern Technology from 1750 to the Atomic Bomb
ENES 2210	Modern Science and Technological Society
MCEN 4045	Mechanical Engineering Design Project 1
MCEN 4085	Mechanical Engineering Senior Design Project 2
MCEN 4228	Special Topics in Mechanical Engineering (Cookstove Assessment; Project-based Learning in Rural Schools)

Total Credit Hours **18**

¹ Students may substitute SOCY 4935, subject to director approval.