

Advanced Certificate in Collaborative Response to Family Violence

About the Program

The goal of this certificate program is to improve policy and service outcomes in responding to family violence by increasing collaborative capacities in victim service professionals. The program is designed to systematically introduce students to concepts and knowledge in collaboration and family violence.

Through the Certificate for Collaborative Response to Family Violence, students will:

1. Establish a strong transdisciplinary understanding of family violence;
2. Increase understanding of collaboration as a transformative enterprise that increases innovation and access to resources through collective networks and shared vision;
3. Develop, lead, and analyze collaborative response strategies to more effectively address family violence.

This certificate program helps advance the mission of the Justice Studies Department by developing critical actors in the pursuit of justice for victims of family violence, contributing to a more just society. Through this program, the Department of Justice Studies seeks to contribute to an interdisciplinary network of professionals trained to meet the complex demands of families impacted by violence and to better inform service delivery and policy development based on sound knowledge of family violence and transdisciplinary collaboration.

Upon successful completion of this program, students will earn an advanced certificate in Collaborative Response to Family Violence. The curriculum is planned for students to complete requirements within one year. The program

will utilize a cohort-based model to better meet program objectives. The certificate program will be delivered online with the exception of an intensive, immersion weekend at San José State University as part of JSI37, the second of two core courses in the program.

Program Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of the Certificate for Collaborative Response to Family Violence, students will be able to:

- PLO1. Apply Systems Theory to family violence, demonstrating the implications for interdisciplinary collaboration
- PLO2. Analyze collaboration in interdisciplinary organizations and service delivery systems, identifying critical elements in effective collaboration at individual, relational and organizational levels;
- PLO3. Identify ways that critical dynamics of family violence are manifest across diverse populations, including risk factors for family violence and issues faced by victims of family violence;
- PLO4. Identify and propose solutions to ethical issues, including issues related to diversity and bias, that may emerge in collaborative response to family violence across diverse populations;
- PLO5. Design a program for addressing family violence applying knowledge and skills for effective collaboration;
- PLO6. Assess their capacity to contribute effectively to interdisciplinary collaboration considering challenges that come with teamwork, communication, conflict management, and leadership.

Course Progression

Course #	Course Name	Units	Mode	Dates
JS 136	Family & Community Violence	3	Online	October, 2018
JS 137	Collaborative Response to Family Violence	3	In-Person immersion + Online	February, 2019
JS 247	Special Topics in Family Violence Elective*	1	Online	Winter 2019
ScWk 247	Collaborative Leadership Elective*	1	Online	Spring
JS 245	Field Experience Seminar	1	Online	April, 2019
JS 245B	Independent Study: Field Placement Internship (if needed)	2	Field near place of residence + online	April, 2019
JS 243	Collaborative Dialogues & Perspectives on Family Violence	1	Online	May 2019
JS 246	Research Methods in Family Violence Elective*	1	Online	May 2019
JS 244	Collaborative Response Project Seminar	1	Online	June 2019

*Students are required to take three electives. Additional electives will be available beginning spring 2019.