Graduate Certificate in Children’s Mental Health

Child & Family Studies
College of Behavioral & Community Sciences

About the program
This Certificate is designed to produce a new generation of professionals who possess the skills to identify, understand, and provide leadership in the implementation of programs for children who have mental health challenges and their families, at different developmental stages, within the contexts in which they live. This interdisciplinary program addresses policy, systemic, and administrative issues related to multi-agency service planning and delivery, and is fully available through distance learning methodologies for two primary audiences—graduate students seeking specialized training in Children’s Mental Health and professionals in need of retooling in order to keep pace with the fundamental changes that have taken place in the children's mental health field.

This graduate certificate program is offered entirely online.

Admission Requirements
Applicants must have a Bachelor’s Degree in a field related to human services (e.g. social work, sociology, psychology, public health, nursing, education, etc.).

Courses in this graduate certificate program may also earn credit in other graduate programs.

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Graduate Certificate in Children’s Mental Health Course Offerings
The Graduate Certificate in Children’s Mental Health program requires 15 hours of course work, including 9 hours of required core courses, and 6 hours of electives. The required and elective course offerings are listed below.

Course Requirements
Required — 9 Credit hours total
- Systems of Care in Children’s Mental Health
- Cultural Competency and Child Mental Health Disparities
- Family-Centered Interdisciplinary Practice: Systems of Care

Elective Course Offerings — 6 Credit Hours Total
- Financing of Children’s Mental Health Services
- Program Development & Implementation in Children’s Mental Health
- Leadership within Systems of Care
- Wraparound Interventions and the System of Care
- Epidemiology and Prevention in Children’s Mental Health
- Child and Adolescent Psychopathology & Resilience
- Mental Health Informatics
- Survey in Mental Health Planning, Evaluation, and Accountability
- Independent Studies in Behavioral Health

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