

HOMEFRONT READJUSTMENT FOR THE ARMED FORCES CERTIFICATE

This program is designed for undergraduate students and professionals in interdisciplinary fields who wish to develop specific knowledge of military culture and communities.

PROGRAM DESIGN

- Students will acquire the skills to interact in community settings where the needs of active Duty service members, veterans and their families are met.
- Courses in the program focus on, but not limited to, understanding the roles of human service workers in addressing existing and potential challenges, stigmas, mental health concerns, stressful family dynamics that are often confronted by the military and veteran community.
- Full virtual and online platform, conveniently accessible anywhere, anytime.

CORE COMPETENCIES

Students will identify and facilitate access to essential services and resources, social supports, case management, care coordination, and advocacy. Students who complete the certificate program will possess critical competencies and skills to:

- Engage, assess, intervene with members of the military service members, veterans and their families;
- Coordinate military-competent services, enhance military programming for their agencies and provide opportunities to access new employment opportunities with military service members or veterans;
- Advocate for social, economic, and environmental justice, well-being, and appropriate service delivery for military service members, veterans and their families.

COURSES

SOWK 211	Honorable Fitness: Military Code of Conduct vs. Self-Morality	3 credits
SOWK 212	From Bootcamp to Home: Exploring Veteran Benefits	3 credits
SOWK 313	Honoring Grief: Loss, Mourning and Respect for Life Variety	3 credits
SOWK 314	Family Vow: Acknowledging Family Stressors	3 credits
SOWK 415	Boots on the Ground Mental Health: Learning, Discussing, & Reclaiming Mental Stability	3 credits
SOWK 416	Right Hand Resilience: Trauma and Coping Skills	<u>3 credits</u>
		18 Hours

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