



Working for Social Justice

Want to work for change? Here are some professions in which you can put your Global and Local Social Justice Certificate to work:

- Education
- Policy Analysis
- Labor Organizing
- Working for an NGO
- Law
- Community Organizing
- Journalism
- Social work
- Health Care
- Housing Advocacy
- Participatory Research



Sample Courses

For the undergraduate certificate

Theories of Justice:

POLS 371	Ancient & Medieval Political Theory
POLS 393	Capitalism, Racism, Patriarchy
SOC 210	Classical Social Theory
WSTD/POLS 376	Feminist Theory: Gender Justice

Stratification/Structures of Inequality:

AAM 200	Intro to African American Studies
ASTD 475	History of Racism
PPS 408	Urban Issues: Poverty and Unemployment
SOC 338	Political Sociology
WSTD 197	Intro to Women's Studies

Social/Political Institutions (Service Learning):

POLS 380	The Structure of Poverty
SOC 404	Practicum: Community Organizing

Global Issues:

POLS 151	Politics of the Developing World
POLS 360	Problems of Globalization
SOC 346	Principles of Social Development

Processes of Change:

ASTD 315	American Social Movements
POLS 450	Democratization
SOC 335	Social Movements

Electives:

PHIL 484	Catholic Social Thought
PSY 433	Psychology of Oppression
SWRK 701	Social Justice: Human Liberation and Community Building
THEO 361	Social Justice
THEO 367	Poverty, Wealth and Justice



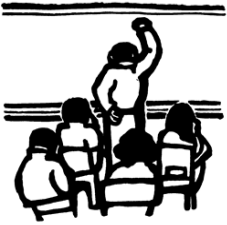
Global and Local Social Justice

Graduate and Undergraduate Certificates Saint Louis University

In order to meaningfully address social problems such as poverty, injustice, or war, students must understand the social and political systems that cause them and the cultural environments in which they occur. For this reason, SLU's interdisciplinary Global and Local Social Justice Certificates focus on:

- the analysis of systemic and structural causes of injustice and war;
- preparing students to engage social and political institutions in order to promote social change;
- identifying social and political structures that advance social justice.

Connecting to SLU's Jesuit Mission



SLU students are encouraged to use their intellectual gifts to promote social justice. The SLU Certificates in Global and Local Social Justice advance this aspect of SLU's mission by training students to be able to think well about what they and others can do, if social justice is their aim.

By studying social systems, political institutions, public policies, cultural values, and processes of change, students become knowledgeable about structures that foster or impede material welfare, racial and gender equality, individual human rights, and other aspects of a just society. The knowledge that students gain enables them to extend their efforts beyond individual charitable impulses, toward the construction of a more just society.



Overview of the Certificates

Students in the Global and Local Social Justice Certificate programs are required to take courses in each of the following areas:

- Theories of Justice
- Social stratification/structures of inequality
- Global issues
- Processes of change



For more details about requirements, see:
<http://www.slu.edu/x32527.xml>

The Certificates are based in the departments of: American studies, political science, public policy studies, and sociology and criminal justice.

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How to Enroll

To be admitted to the Certificate program, students must:

- be enrolled at Saint Louis University,
- have a 3.0 undergraduate GPA,
- be approved by the program Director.

The program Director can advise students on the best order in which to take courses and on which courses may not be offered regularly. Transfer students interested in the Certificate should meet with the Director to find out if non-SLU courses may be counted for credit. (There are additional requirements for admission to the graduate certificate.)

Find Out More

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