

TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE (ADV CERT)

Advanced Certificate towards the M.A. Such students may complete the M.A. in Pastoral Care with a Concentration in Trauma-Informed Care and should plan their Advanced Certificate general electives to align with the Pastoral Care Core and Elective courses that are part of the M.A.

Overview

This program is offered online.

The Advanced Certificate in Trauma-Informed Care addresses society's growing need for helping professionals who understand the dynamics and effects of trauma on individuals and communities. The certificate covers essential issues in trauma-informed care, including: the neuropsychology of trauma; the effects of early childhood trauma and attachment; historical, intergenerational, and cultural trauma, and the interaction of trauma, faith, and spirituality. Special attention is paid to issues of context, including race, class, gender, and sexuality.

The required trauma courses are delivered online, in a synchronous, live-session format. This program is suitable for anyone in a helping profession, including pastoral ministers, professional counselors/psychotherapists, chaplains, spiritual directors, religious educators, and other helping professionals (nurses, social workers, teachers, etc.) who want to bring an understanding of trauma to their work.

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Admissions

Admissions requirements include the following:

1. A Bachelor's degree
2. Completed application
3. Letters of recommendation from one academic and one professional supervisor/mentor

Requirements

The Advanced Certificate in Trauma-Informed Care comprises 15 credits and requires the following courses:

Course	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
PCGR 6610	Trauma & Trauma-Informed Care	3
PCGR 6620	Trauma and Society	3
PCGR 6630	Trauma, Religion & Spirituality	3
Electives		
Two general electives ¹		6
Total Credits		15

¹ Students may take any non-restricted course at GRE numbered 6000-7999 as a general elective. A list of GRE courses can be found in our course listing page. These courses may be taken online or on-campus.

Students who complete this Advanced Certificate and later enroll in the M.A. in Pastoral Care may apply the credits earned as part of the