The Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Sector, Philanthropy, and Social
Change is a response to recent developments in social change theory,
practice, and funding that are placing new demands and expectations
on social change actors in the nonprofit, public, and private sectors,
including nonprofit leaders, philanthropists, policymakers, and corporate
social responsibility managers. These developments include the
emergence of hybrid, cross-sector business models and new intermediary
mechanisms for channeling the flow of capital into social change; new
expectations and standards for performance measurement, transparency,
and accountability; more sophisticated use of data and technology
to support decision making, evaluation, and continual improvement;
decreased public funding for traditional nonprofit activities; and the
emergence of social media as a vehicle for mobilizing people and
resources. The certificate enables social change professionals in all
sectors to respond to these changes more effectively and will distinguish
itself from other nonprofit certificate programs by focusing on the
relationship between social program implementation and funding.

The certificate is a professionally oriented, application-based program
for students seeking leadership positions in nonprofit organizations or
in a public agency that deals extensively with nonprofits. The curriculum
is designed to address the distinctive features and practices of the
nonprofit sector and emphasizes management techniques helpful to
nonprofit leaders.

**Academic Standing/Progress**

Students in the program are monitored for academic progress. Those
students whose GPA falls below a 3.00 are notified by and meet with the
director of academic programs. They are counseled that if their GPA does
not rise to a 3.00 or higher, they run the risk of not graduating and are
advised on strategies for improvement.

**Program Requirements**

Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise
indicated.

**Core Requirements**

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**Elective**

Complete 4 semester hours from the following. Courses outside this list may be taken as electives with approval of the graduate program director.

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**Program Credit/GPA Requirements**

12 total semester hours required
Minimum 3.00 GPA required