

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT CERTIFICATE

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Open to first year, second year, and third year students in any school at Northwestern, the Civic Engagement Certificate Program increases students’ understanding of community needs and assets and fosters ongoing civic engagement by connecting community organizing experience with an academic component. The certificate gives undergraduates the experience of successfully advancing social justice in their community through multi-year, organizational-based course. Spanning five or six academic quarters, the two-year program requires a total of 6 units of coursework and 100 hours of community engagement. Students in the program get to put policy into action and receive with one-on-one coaching on methods of social movements.

Students develop skills for understanding and analyzing campaigns, principles of social change and small group democracy. Students learn how to work as a team and build social capital.

Coursework includes:

Course	Title
SESP 195-0	Civic Engagement (2-3 units) ¹
SESP 295-0	Advanced Civic Engagement (3 units)

¹ Students may start the first year of the certificate in the fall quarter (3 units of SESP 195-0) or in the winter quarter (2 units of SESP 195-0). If a student elects to take 2 units of SESP 195, they must take a course approved by the program director.