CERTIFICATE IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Certificate in Economic Development and Social Entrepreneurship prepares economic development managers and entrepreneurs to drive socially responsible economic change in a rapidly changing global environment. Students can customize their course of study, with choices among courses addressing effective financial and systems management in the government and nonprofit sectors, social entrepreneurship, community and regional planning and policymaking, economic development, and more.

Several certificate programs are offered in public administration. These programs provide students with a post-baccalaureate knowledge of an area of specialization in public administration. Students in these programs register as certificate students. Certificate programs require a set of four courses. Students who are admitted to a master's degree program may apply coursework previously taken in a certificate program toward the requirements for the master's degree.

This certificate is designed for professionals who want to increase their knowledge and skills in economic development and social entrepreneurship but do not currently have the time to pursue a Master of Public Policy and Administration degree.

Curriculum

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Select a minimum of four courses from the following:		
PA 533	Advanced Financial Management for Public and Nonprofit Sectors	3
PA 539	Local Government Management	3
PA 550	Social Entrepreneurship	3
PA 551	Public Infrastructure Management	3
PA 555	Introduction to Urban and Regional Planning	3
PA 556	Public Management Strategies for the 21st Century	3
PA 557	Urban and Regional Development	3
PA 560	Political Economy	3
PA 570	Social Capital and the Community	3
PA 578	Planning, Policy-Making, and the Built Environment	3
PA 579	Ethics and Professional Responsibility in Public Service	3
Total Credit Hours		12

Additional courses could be taken in the Stuart environmental management and sustainability program, the Department of Civil, Architectural, and Environmental Engineering, and other related programs as permitted by program director.