

Ethics and Leadership in Law, Politics, and Government Bridging Disciplines Program Certificate

In the interest of educating thoughtful and responsible leaders, this program brings together resources from across campus to allow students to explore law, politics and government through the lens of leadership ethics. Topics may include leadership, civic participation, public policy, and social change. Through the Connecting Experiences component, students may work with community and professional organizations or bring their interdisciplinary expertise to faculty research.

Total Hours Required: 19

Requirements

Requirements are listed in the table below. Additional requirements may follow the table, so be sure to read the entire page. Some required courses listed below may also satisfy [General Education](#) requirements, including [Core Curriculum](#). Students should also review the [University's Undergraduate Minor and Certificate Requirements and Policies](#).

Code	Title	Hours
Hours chosen from: Forum Seminar		1
BDP X01.18	Conflict Prevention, Management, and Resolution	
BDP X01.14	Narrative Leadership	
Approved hours		
Hours chosen from: Foundation		3
CLD 301	Introduction to Communication and Leadership	
PHL 304	Contemporary Moral Problems	
PHL 318	Introduction to Ethics	
Hours chosen from: Strand (at least 3 hours from social justice; remaining hours may be from either list below)		9
Social Justice		
CMS 356C	Collective Action	
HIS 356P	The United States in the Civil Rights Era	
Hours chosen from: Approved list		
Other		
ECO 321	Public Economics	
GOV 357G	Structure of Individual Liberties	
Hours chosen from: Approved list		
Approved Hours chosen from: Research or internship Connecting Experiences (see advisor)		6
BDP 320K	Connecting Research Experience	
BDP 320L	Connecting Research Experience	
BDP 325K	Connecting Internship Experience	
Undergraduate Minor and Certificate Requirements and Policies		
Total Hours		19

Additional Requirements and Policy

- A three to four page essay in which students reflect on what they have learned and accomplished through their experience is required.

The essay is reviewed and must be approved by a member of the faculty panel in order to complete the certificate requirements

- To create an interdisciplinary experience, students must choose courses from a variety of disciplines. Only one of the strand courses may come from the student's major department(s) or from same as with the student's major department(s). The certificate as a whole must represent a variety of disciplines; the advisor can help ensure that the coursework will meet the certificate requirements for interdisciplinarity.
- In courses taken for a letter grade, the student must obtain a grade of at least C-.
- A cumulative certificate GPA of at least 2.0 is required.
- Only one BDP course, including connecting experience, may be taken pass/fail. Any exceptions will be considered by the faculty panel on an individual basis.
- The student may be able to count courses toward the certificate that are not listed, if enough of the course content relates to the BDP topic. Consult with the advisor to petition a course to count towards the certificate.
- All students must, in the process of completing their certificate requirements, take at least one course designated as including a substantial focus on ethics and at least one course designated as including a substantial focus on leadership.