

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRADUATE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Learning Outcomes

Students will demonstrate an understanding of:

1. **LOCAL COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING:** Concepts, strategies and techniques of local economic analysis, planning, and development.
2. **SOCIAL PROCESSES:** The social organization, processes and changes that define a community.
3. **PROBLEM SOLVING STRATEGIES:** Application of sociological and economic principles and strategies to problem solving in the community context.
4. **THEORIES AND PROCESSES:** Theories, concepts and framework of community and economic development within the framework of community decision-making models.
5. **GOVERNMENT FINANCING:** The interaction of population characteristics, land use, municipal funds and taxation and how they impact the management of local government jurisdictions.
6. **ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES AND METHODS:** Application of research methodologies and data collecting, techniques to analyze and recommend solutions to community and economic development issues and problems.