



PHYLLIS AND HARVEY SANDLER
SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK
College of Social Work and Criminal Justice
Florida Atlantic University

CHILD WELFARE CERTIFICATE



UNDERSTANDING THE PROGRAM

Did you know there is a preference for social workers to be hired as child protective investigators and supervisors? This certificate program prepares BSW and MSW students for careers working with children and families impacted by child welfare services and children who have experienced maltreatment. The curriculum provides you with skills and knowledge in practice, programs, and policies that impact the lives of children and families facing significant adversity.

PREPARING FOR YOUR CAREER

Through this certificate program, you will develop practice skills in the areas of: Child and Family Assessment; Child Development; Adverse Childhood Experiences; Trauma-informed Care; Family Violence; Child and Family Mental Health; Dependency Court Systems; Interviewing Techniques for Children; Intervention Strategies for Children and Families; Child Welfare Policy; and Child Maltreatment Prevention.



DECIDING YOUR NEXT STEP

The Child Welfare Certificate program is open to BSW and MSW students. It is an ideal choice if you are looking to learn more about the field of child welfare through an experiential learning model. We recommend that you apply fairly early in your course of study so you have ample time to fulfill the course and internship requirements. Curriculum is delivered through in-class instruction and direct on-site experiences with child welfare agencies. We offer a fully-online program option for MSW students.



COMPLETING YOUR REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be completed to receive your Child Welfare Certificate:

1. All requirements for your BSW or MSW degree
2. Child Welfare course (SOW 4650/6656) with B or higher
3. Vulnerable Children course (SOW 4654/6653) with B or higher
4. Internship with a child welfare agency approved by the Sandler School



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