

# SOCIOLOGY | CERTIFICATE: SOCIAL INNOVATION

## 9 credit hours

This certificate provides instruction on how to become a social entrepreneur and build a good-paying career within the world of nonprofit organizations. A social entrepreneur is a person who uses innovation to find new ways to help a category of people in need, and here are examples of categories of people in need: abandoned children, the homeless, and teens considering suicide - and there are hundreds of other categories of people in need who could be helped.

This certificate helps students build skills for working within existing nonprofit corporations, or starting their own nonprofit. The world is open to this type of innovation. Our society and world are in need of more people stepping forward to assist others in need, and this training can help you build a career in the U.S. or another nation.

| Code                    | Title  | Hours    |
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| <b>Required Courses</b> |  |          |
| SOC 664                 | Social Entrepreneurship and Grassroots Social Action | 3        |
| SOC 680                 | Nonprofit Organizations                              | 3        |
| SOC 681                 | Non Governmental Org: Global Social Innovation       | 3        |
| <b>Total Hours</b>      |  | <b>9</b> |

**This is an FHSU advisory certificate.** Advisory certificates are typically 9-15 hours of coursework. The certificates are designed by FHSU faculty to provide students a guide to choosing courses that introduce and develop a subject knowledge and/or skills. These certificates may be used to select a focus within a major, to develop additional knowledge and skills to complement a major, or to pursuing a topic of interest with open elective hours.

Courses taken as part of an advisory certificate are listed on the student's transcript, however the advisory certificate is not listed on the transcript. Many FHSU departments provide a completion certificate that students may use to show they completed the advised coursework, and talk about what it added to their degree. Non-degree students may complete the classes outlined in an advisory certificate and receive a completion certificate if offered by the department, however they are not enrolled in a degree plan or eligible for student aid.