

# CERTIFICATE IN CIVIC LEADERSHIP

## Program Learning Outcomes for the Certificate in Civic Leadership

Upon completing the certificate in Civic Leadership, students will be able to:

1. Integrate academic and experiential knowledge in civic contexts.
2. Analyze issues through the framework of democratic values, processes, and policies.
3. Address real world issues through interaction and collaboration with diverse community partners.
4. Communicate with and present their work effectively to a range of audiences both within and beyond the academic community.
5. Employ reflection to express their individual values and goals and be able to act on them.
6. Demonstrate motivation to realizing equitable and inclusive communities.

## Requirements for the Certificate in Civic Leadership

Students pursuing the certificate in Civic Leadership must complete:

- A minimum of 4 courses (12 credit hours) to satisfy certificate requirements.
- A minimum of 2 Experiential Learning Programs:
  - 1 LEARN Level Program
  - 1 ACT Level Program
- A Civic Leadership Portfolio.
- A Capstone Requirement.
- A minimum overall GPA of 2.00 in required coursework with a minimum grade of C (2.00 grade points) in each course.

This certificate is not a freestanding degree program; in addition to fulfilling the certificate requirements outlined below, candidates will be required to complete successfully the degree program to which they have been admitted in order to receive this certificate. Upon completion, the certificate is awarded at the same time as the conferral of the student's Rice degree, along with a formal notation on their academic transcript.

The courses listed below satisfy the requirements for this certificate. In certain instances, courses not on this official list may be substituted upon approval of the certificate's academic advisor, or where applicable, the Program Director. (Course substitutions must be formally applied and entered into Degree Works by the certificate's [Official Certifier](https://registrar.rice.edu/facstaff/degreeworks/officialcertifier/) (<https://registrar.rice.edu/facstaff/degreeworks/officialcertifier/>.) Students and their academic advisors should identify and clearly document the courses to be taken.

### Summary

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Total Credit Hours Required for the Certificate in Civic Leadership		12

## Certificate Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Core Requirements</b>		
<i>Select at least 1 course (minimum of 3 credit hours) from the Leadership Electives (see below for course list)</i>		3
<i>Select at least 1 course (minimum of 3 credit hours) from the Social Issues Electives (see below for course list)</i>		3
<b>Required Experiential Learning Programs</b>		
<i>Select 1 LEARN Level Program from the following:</i>		
Urban Immersion/Civic Immersion Participant		
Alternative Spring Break Participant		
Houston Policy Challenge Participant		
<i>Select 1 ACT Level Program from the following:</i>		
Urban Immersion/Civic Immersion Coordinator		
Alternative Spring Break Site Leader		
Houston Action Research Team (HART)		
Houston Policy Challenge Coordinator		
Leadership Rice Summer Mentorship Experience		
Loewenstern Fellowship		
Rich Family Endowment		
<b>Portfolio Requirement</b>		
Civic Leadership Portfolio <sup>1</sup>		
<b>Capstone Requirement</b>		
LEAD 402	CIVIC LEADERSHIP CAPSTONE I	3
LEAD 403	CIVIC LEADERSHIP CAPSTONE II	3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

### Footnotes and Additional Information

- <sup>1</sup> The submission of the Portfolio is required by the end of the semester in which the student is graduating. The Portfolio must include work samples completed for the certificate and a reflection essay that addresses how these experiences contributed to civic leadership development.

## Course Lists to Satisfy Requirements

### Leadership Electives

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<i>Select at least 1 course (minimum of 3 credit hours) from the following:</i>		
ENGI 315	LEADING TEAMS AND INNOVATION	3
ENGI 320 / CEVE 320	ETHICS AND ENGINEERING LEADERSHIP	3
LEAD 102	INTRODUCTION TO CIVIC LEADERSHIP	3
LEAD 260 / POLI 260	ADVOCATING FOR IDEAS TO CHANGE THE WORLD	3
LEAD 321	LEADERSHIP COMMUNICATION	3
LEAD 333	STEM (SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS) OUTREACH: INTRO TO CIVIC SCIENCE	3
LEAD 340	PHILANTHROPY IN THEORY AND PRACTICE	3

NAVA 203	LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT I	3
PHIL 360	ETHICS	3

### Social Issues Electives

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<i>Select at least 1 course (minimum of 3 credit hours) from the following:</i>		
ANTH 332 / ENST 332	THE SOCIAL LIFE OF CLEAN ENERGY	3
ANTH 344	CITY/CULTURE	3
ANTH 358	THE FOURTH WORLD: ISSUES OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLE	3
ARCH 313 / ENST 313	CASE STUDIES IN SUSTAINABLE DESIGN	3
ARCH 455	HOUSING AND URBAN PROGRAMS: ISSUES IN POLICY	3
BIOS 204	ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY: THE DESIGN & PRACTICE OF COMMUNITY AGRICULTURE	1
BUSI 464 / GLHT 464 / SOSC 464	SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP	3
CEVE 302 / ENGI 302	SUSTAINABLE DESIGN	3
CEVE 307 / EEPS 307 / ENST 307	ENERGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT	3
CEVE 406 / ENST 406	INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL LAW	3
CHBE 281 / ENST 281	ENGINEERING SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES	3
ECON 432	POLITICAL ECONOMY	3
ECON 450	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	3
ECON 460	ADVANCED TOPICS IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	3
ECON 462	ECONOMICS OF HUMAN CAPITAL	3
ECON 479	ECONOMIC MODELING AND PUBLIC POLICY	3
ECON 480 / ENST 480	ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS	3
ECON 481	HEALTH ECONOMICS	3
EDUC 202	CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN EDUCATION	3
EDUC 335	URBAN EDUCATION: ISSUES, POLICY, AND PRACTICE	3
EDUC 350	EDUCATION POLICY: FROM LEGISLATURES TO CLASSROOMS	3
ELEC 419 / BIOE 419	INNOVATION LAB FOR MOBILE HEALTH	3
ENGL 371 / SPAN 396 / SWGS 354	CHICANO/A LITERATURE	3
GLHT 201	INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL HEALTH	3
HEAL 222	PRINCIPLES OF PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY HEALTH	3
HEAL 360	VIOLENCE IN AMERICA: A PUBLIC HEALTH PERSPECTIVE	3

HEAL 380	DISPARITIES IN HEALTH IN AMERICA	3
HEAL 460	PLANNING AND EVALUATION OF HEALTH PROMOTION AND EDUCATION	3
HIST 268	MODERN SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING	3
HIST 328	POVERTY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE IN LATIN AMERICA	3
HIST 421	RACE, EDUCATION AND SOCIETY IN THE URBAN SOUTH	3
HUMA 202 / ENST 202	CULTURE, ENERGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT: AN INTRODUCTION TO ENERGY HUMANITIES	3
POLI 250 / ASIA 251 / SWGS 250	SEX, MONEY, AND POWER AROUND THE WORLD	3
POLI 315	U.S. ELECTIONS AND VOTING BEHAVIOR	3
POLI 362	COMPARATIVE URBAN POLITICS AND POLICY	3
PSYC 345	HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY	3
PSYC 435	POLLUTION AND PSYCHOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT	3
SOCI 238	SPECIAL TOPICS	1-4
SOCI 301	SOCIAL INEQUALITY	3
SOCI 306 / SWGS 324	SOCIOLOGY OF GENDER	3
SOCI 308	HOUSTON: THE SOCIOLOGY OF A CITY	3
SOCI 314	SCIENCE AT RISK? OUT OF THE LAB AND INTO PUBLIC SPHERE	3
SOCI 340	SOCIOLOGY OF IMMIGRATION	3
SOCI 343	RACE, SOCIETY AND POPULATION CHANGE	3
SOCI 365 / ANTH 365	POLITICS OF REPRESENTATION: HOW WE UNDERSTAND "WAR" AND "THE RACIAL OTHER"	3
SOSC 330	HEALTH CARE REFORM IN THE 50 STATES	3

## Policies for the Certificate in Civic Leadership

### Admissions

Upon completing an advising plan to complete the Required Electives and Experiential Learning Programs, students may apply in the spring of their sophomore or junior year for admittance to the certificate in Civic Leadership.

To apply, students must submit the following:

- An Official Transcript
- Curriculum Choice Statement
- 3 Supplemental Questions (complete instructions are available at <https://ccl.rice.edu/certificate-requirements> (<https://ccl.rice.edu/certificate-requirements/>)).

Only students who demonstrate a coherent path of preparation will be admitted to the certificate program.

## Program Restrictions and Exclusions

Students pursuing the Certificate in Civic Leadership should be aware of the following program restriction:

- As noted in [Majors, Minors, and Certificates](https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-opportunities/majors-minors-certificates/) (<https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-opportunities/majors-minors-certificates/>), students may declare their intent to pursue a university certificate only after they have first declared a major.

## Transfer Credit

For Rice University's policy regarding transfer credit, see [Transfer Credit](https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/transfer-credit/) (<https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/transfer-credit/>). Some departments and programs have additional restrictions on transfer credit. The Office of Academic Advising maintains the university's official list of [transfer credit advisors](https://oaa.rice.edu/advising-network/transfer-credit-advisors/) (<https://oaa.rice.edu/advising-network/transfer-credit-advisors/>) on their website: <https://oaa.rice.edu>. Students are encouraged to meet with their academic program's transfer credit advisor when considering transfer credit possibilities.

## Program Transfer Credit Guidelines

Students pursuing the Certificate in Civic Leadership should be aware of the following program-specific transfer credit guidelines:

- Requests for transfer credit will be considered by the program director (and/or the program's official transfer credit advisor) on an individual case-by-case basis.

## Additional Information

For additional information, please see the Center for Civic Leadership website: <https://ccl.rice.edu/> (<https://ccl.rice.edu/>).

# Opportunities for the Certificate in Civic Leadership

## Academic Honors

The university recognizes academic excellence achieved over an undergraduate's academic history at Rice. For information on university honors, please see [Latin Honors](https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university/) (<https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university/>) (*summa cum laude*, *magna cum laude*, and *cum laude*) and [Distinction in Research and Creative Work](https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university/) (<https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university/>). Some departments have department-specific Honors awards or designations.

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