

Youth Worker: Organizing, Advocacy, Counseling and Education Certificate of Achievement - Active

Department: Health Education

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Effective Semester: Fall 2017

The Youth Worker (YW) Certificate is designed to prepare individuals for positions working with youth and young adults with community health and social service agencies and programs. Youth Workers provide health education client-centered counseling and case management services, and conduct community organizing and advocacy in a wide variety of employment settings. As part of their education, students will complete an internship with a local youth serving agency.

For more information, go to www.ccsf.edu/hlthed/chw.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Analyze and evaluate health information from public health, behavioral science, biomedical and cultural perspectives.
- Evaluate and implement entry-level proficiency in CHW core competency skills.
- Integrate job readiness and professional skills necessary for employment in the CHW field.
- Appraise and apply core concepts, including cultural humility, for working effectively with diverse clients and communities.
- Analyze and apply key concepts and skills for working with youth and young adults.

Admission to the program is based on:

1. The completion of prerequisite course HLTH 59, Introduction to Community Health Work (1 unit) with a grade of C or higher

OR

documented successful experience as a Community Health Worker

AND

2) Submission of a completed program application by the stipulated deadline

Any student who receives a grade less than a "C " in HLTH 201 must reapply for admission to the program.

Requirements for the Certificate of Achievement

To receive the Certificate of Achievement, the following must be satisfied:

1. Completion of required units of course work with final grades of "C" or higher and a passing grade on the final Performance-based Examination
2. Completion of 128 Internship hours during HLTH 203, with a satisfactory evaluation from the internship supervisor
3. All courses must be completed within a 3 year period. Any student wishing to take HLTH 202 and HLTH 203 twelve months or more after completing HLTH 201 must first schedule an appointment with the program coordinator to complete required internship paperwork. Students who do not complete their internship placement (HLTH 203) will have the next semester to complete their hours with prior approval from the CHW program coordinator.

The minimum time for completion of this certificate is 3 semesters. Completion time will vary based on student preparation and number of units or classes completed per semester.

Courses Required for the Certificate of Achievement in Youth Worker: Organizing, Advocacy, Counseling and Education

Course	Units
Required courses:	

HLTH 201 - CHW Principles & Practice 1*	5.00
HLTH 202 - CHW Principles & Practice 2**	5.00
HLTH 203 - CHW Internship Placement and Performance	4.00
HLTH 65 - Youth Development & Leadership	3.00
HLTH 116 - Conflict Resolution in the Health Care Workplace	1.00
HLTH 90C - Introduction to Trauma and Recovery	0.50
* HLTH 201 is taken in the first semester.	
** HLTH 202 is taken the second semester.	
Total:	18.50
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