

Certificate in Co-operative Career Experience

The Certificate in Co-Operative Career Experience is awarded by the Department of Disability and Human Development (DHD). Students must complete 36 hours over four terms. Co-Op students will explore their career interests through a combination of work placements and academic course work relating to the area of focus they have selected. Students must select one area of focus from three options: (1) Arts and Culture; (2) Social Justice, Policy, and Leadership; (3) Health and Care across the Lifespan.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
DHD 101	Disability in U.S. Society	3
DHD 103	Radical Inclusion I: Foundations in Intellectual and Developmental Disability	3
DHD 104	Radical Inclusion II: Contemporary Issues in Intellectual and Developmental Disability	3
DHD 304	Disability Innovation Lab	3
DHD Electives		
Students select four DHD electives with their advisor. May be substituted with permission of advisor.		12
Internship		
12 semester hours in the following course:		12
DHD 390	Co-Op Internship	
Total Hours		36

- To receive the certificate, students must have completed all course work and have earned a final cumulative GPA of at least 2.00/4.00. With permission from the program coordinator, the student may take an academic leave or reduce the standard course load if requested. If a student fails a class in a given semester, they will have an opportunity to retake the class one time.
- Transfer credit is not accepted. All courses must be taken at UIC.
- Credits earned through the Co-Op Certificate Program can be applied toward UIC degree programs.