Immigrant and Refugee Education

18 Hours
This program is offered by the School of Education.

Program Description
The advanced graduate certificate (AGC) in immigrant and refugee education is for educators who already have a master’s degree and some experience with immigrant and refugee education. This eighteen credit hour advanced certificate is for those who wish to make an even greater contribution at their workplace. Graduate students are encouraged to assume advocacy roles, to participate in professional organizations, and to contribute to professional conferences and publications.

This program is offered at the St. Louis home campus.

See also:
- Applied Educational Psychology (MA) sequential degree
- Applied Educational Psychology: School Psychology (EdS)
- Assessment of Learning and Cognitive Development (AGC)
- Gifted Education and Talent Development (AGC)

Requirements
1. This post-master's advanced graduate certificate is not a degree program. However, this advanced graduate certificate may be embedded within one of two degree programs.
   a) This AGC may be included in the sequential (second master’s degree) MA in applied educational psychology. Students choosing to earn this AGC within the sequential MA in applied educational psychology may need to take more credit hours than the required 24 hours of the sequential MA degree.
   b) This advanced graduate certificate (AGC) in immigrant and refugee education may also be included in the EdS in applied educational psychology: school psychology as an additional AGC. It is important to note that ALL students enrolled in the EdS in applied educational psychology: school psychology are required to complete an advanced graduate certificate in the assessment of learning and cognitive development. Therefore, for the students in the EdS in applied educational psychology: school psychology program, the AGC in the immigrant and refugee education will be a second AGC within the EdS degree. A second AGC can be completed in 15 hours, instead of 18, because the EPSY 6000 Advanced Graduate Certificate Project course does not need to be repeated. Students choosing to earn this additional AGC within the EdS in applied educational psychology: school psychology may need to take more credit hours that the required 38 hours of the EdS in applied educational psychology: school psychology.
2. Any Webster University graduate courses taken that are not applied toward a graduate or undergraduate degree, may be counted toward the completion of an advanced graduate certificate (AGC) program provided that the courses are appropriate and relevant to that specific advanced graduate certificate.
3. All AGC coursework must have a grade of B- or better.
4. Any graduate coursework completed may not be counted to two different certificate programs.
5. Courses may not be transferred from another university into any Webster University advanced graduate certificate (AGC) program.

Choose at least one course (3 hours) from each of the following three clusters:
Cluster One: Culturally and linguistically diverse students

Cluster Two: Educational and learning needs of immigrant and refugee students
- EPSY 5991 Issues in Assessment: Cultural and Linguistic Diversity (3 hours)
- TESL 5139 English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Methods (3 hours)
- EPSY 5600 Practicum in Educational Psychology (1-6 hours)
- TESL 5040 Practicum in ESOL (3 hours)
- EPSY 6300 School Consultation in a Global Society (3 hours)

Cluster Three: Social and emotional needs of immigrant and refugee students
- EPSY 5150 Resilience and Self-Concept Development (3 hours)
- EPSY 5290 Family Counseling (3 hours)
- EPSY 5370 Counseling (3 hours)
- EPSY 5380 Multicultural Counseling (3 hours)
- EPSY 5952 Children, Culture, and Violence (3 hours)

Required course:
- EPSY 6000 Advanced Graduate Certificate Project: Immigrant and Refugee Education (3 hours)

To complete the 18-hour advanced graduate certificate, choose two electives (6 hours), International experience and the study of a second language are strongly recommended.

Note: Students enrolled in the EdS in applied educational psychology: school psychology degree program do not need to repeat the EPSY 6000 course and complete the AGC in 15 hours.

Admission
Students who are interested in applying to this program should also see the Admission Section found in the front of this catalog for general requirements.

Admission Requirements
- Master’s degree in educational psychology, teaching English as a second language, or related area of study.
- Essay: How do you think your participation in Webster’s advanced graduate certificate in immigrant and refugee education will help you accomplish your personal and professional goals?
- Overall GPA of 3.0.

Send all required admission materials to
Office of Admission
Webster University
470 East Lockwood Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63119

Completed application files will be reviewed by the Multidisciplinary Studies Department.