Social Entrepreneurship (Certificate)

Make the world a better place by influencing social change.

Social problems permeate the world around us. No country, state, region or community is immune from problems such as poverty, substance abuse, lack of basic services, violence and more. With the Social Entrepreneurship graduate certificate you’ll be equipped with the necessary tools, skills and knowledge to confront and solve social problems at the community level.

Program Snapshot

Program type: Certificate - Graduate  
Format: On-campus or online  
Est. time to complete: 2 years  
Credit hours: 12

Why Study Social Entrepreneurship at UND?

The online Social Entrepreneurship Graduate Certificate provides you with the entrepreneurial principles needed to create and manage ventures and social enterprises that address existing social problems.

The Graduate Certificate program is designed for:

- Individuals already in the field attempting to refine their skills.
- Those seeking to lead or work in a nonprofit organization.
- Future business leaders interested in learning best practices for social cause programs.
- Individuals wanting to start their own social ventures.

The Graduate Certificate in Social Entrepreneurship is open to anyone with an undergraduate degree in any area of study. Individuals interested in social entrepreneurship are from various academic and professional backgrounds, including:

- Social workers
- Nonprofit managers
- Business professionals

Application Deadlines

FALL: MAY 15* | Aug. 1  
SPRING: OCT. 15* | Dec. 1  
*Designates priority deadline

Program Highlights

- Apply your certification credits towards an MPA.
- Take part in live web classes are held one evening per week.
- Get student support services, including online tutoring, library, tech support and advising services.

Outcomes
The online graduate certificate in Social Entrepreneurship focuses on developing your entrepreneurial skills to enhance the social sector, including:

- Entrepreneurial principles
- Ventures and social enterprises
- The "business" of solving social problems

Through UND's courses, you will explore the:

- Concepts of social entrepreneurship
- Methods and techniques of entrepreneurship
- Steps required to create social enterprises and ventures
- Management of ventures and social enterprises
- Building of advocacy campaigns

As a graduate of the program, you will be better equipped to:

- Positively impact social problems at the community, state, regional, national or international level
- Leverage assets and your imagination to serve your community's needs
- Create and foster sustainable organizations that support social change
- Succeed in an increasingly diverse and interdependent world