Military and Veteran Culture
Graduate Certificate

Overview
This certificate is designed for professionals working for non-military organizations who provide services for active and veteran military members and their families. As a student in the program, you will:

• Gain specialized clinical training with members of the military, including active duty, veterans, and military families.
• Identify and demonstrate the ability to assess common clinical diagnoses, interventions, and treatments within the military community.
• Identify contemporary issues facing active and veteran military members, and critically evaluate intervention strategies for implementation.

Students will find the curriculum is designed to focus on the intricacies involved in working with veterans and members of the military community. Learn how to:

• Identify characteristics of military culture, branches, and generational differences.
• Analyze the current support structures and resources within the military culture.
• Recognize and apply appropriate interventions to address common behavioral health conditions among active and veteran military members.
• Apply the biopsychosocial assessment model to multiple diagnoses.
• Investigate treatments for common diagnoses within the military culture including: post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), substance abuse, and suicide.
• Differentiate multiple alternative therapies used within the military culture.

Curriculum
Required Courses

• SOWK 640 – Contemporary Issues in Military Culture (3 cr.)
• SOWK 641 – Military Family Systems (3 cr.)
• SOWK 642 – Clinical Intervention with Military Personnel (3 cr.)

Additional coursework may be required due to prerequisites.

This certificate may have courses in common with other graduate certificates. A student may earn more than one certificate, but a given course may be counted only in one certificate.

Delivery
Online

Credits
9 credits

Tuition
$689 per credit
• Includes Student Services
• Fees assessed separately
• Financial aid is available; eligibility determined on an individual basis

Time frame
Can be completed in 3 semesters

More info
online.colostate.edu/certificates/military-veteran-culture/

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How to Apply
Military and Veteran Culture

Application Deadline
Fall semester: August 1  Spring semester: January 1  Summer semester: May 1

1. Review Admission Requirements
   The online certificate requires that students have a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution.

2. Complete Online Application
   Complete the online graduate application and pay the nonrefundable application processing fee (payable online). As soon as you have completed the required information, please submit your application. Your application will not be reviewed until it is complete and all required materials have been received.
   - Select “Military and Veteran Culture (Certificate) – Distance” when choosing the Program of Study. (Note: You must first select “Certificate” at the top.)

3. Request Transcripts
   Request one official transcript of all collegiate work completed from every institution attended, whether or not you received a degree from those institutions. Transcripts from Colorado State University are not required. Official transcripts can either be mailed in or sent as e-transcripts.

   Send e-transcripts to: gradadmissions@colostate.edu

   Send paper copies to:
   Graduate Admissions
   Colorado State University – Office of Admissions
   1062 Campus Delivery
   Fort Collins, CO 80523-1062

Check Your Application Status
View your application status at any time to ensure your application checklist is complete or to check on updates. Once your complete application, including supporting materials, is received, the department admission committee will review your application and promptly notify you of their decision.

International Students
See website for test score and transcript requirements.