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Apply NOW for the Demographic Methods Graduate Training Program

****DEADLINE: May 28, 2021****

The Graduate Training Program of the Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology (CSDE) is accepting applications from students looking to train in demography. Students may choose to apply for the Graduate Certificate in Demographic Methods program, which is the academic pathway to advanced interdisciplinary training in population science and which, upon completion, allows students to list their demographic training on their transcript. Alternatively, students may apply to become CSDE trainees and pursue demographic training with fewer course requirements, though they will not receive a demographic certification on their transcript.

We will be accepting applications once a year during Spring quarter. This is to help our CSDE trainees create communities with their cohorts by starting the program and pursuing their courses at similar times. The next Call will therefore not be available until May 2022.

For more information on the Certificate and non-Certificate program, see the following [Training Program Webinar](#) or read more details below.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

1. Submit applications no later than **May 28, 2021**
2. The application for both the Certificate Program and non-Certificate Trainee Program is in the form of an [Online REDCap Survey here](#)
3. Register for the Fall Population Proseminar (CSDE 502) and the Fall CSDE weekly seminar series (CSDE 501) if the required credits have not already been completed.

VALUE OF THE PROGRAM

Recognized by the National Institute of Child Health and Development and the UW Graduate School, the CSDE Demographic Training Program provides graduate students with the skills to be a demographic researcher and to be a competitive candidate for academic and applied jobs and funding. The Program is designed to enhance training beyond the requirements of a graduate degree. It provides a coherent body of study in demography, enhanced mentored research experiences, and the following benefits:

- Access to CSDE's significant research support services (computing, research consultations, workshops, a biodemography lab and equipment, and more). Check out the CSDE [services](#) and [computing](#) webpages for more details

- Assistance in matching students with CSDE Faculty Affiliate mentors and potential research collaborators. Check out the exciting research conducted at CSDE and the faculty working in those areas on the [research](#) webpage.
- Opportunities to apply for competitive fellowships to support demographic training and research and the training and experience to be a competitive candidate for these fellowships (see the [CSDE Fellowship](#) page for more details).
- Financial support (when available) for travel to present research at the Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America
- Those who register for the CSDE Certificate Program will receive a record that you have received your certificate on your official transcript and a framed certificate awarded at CSDE's end of year reception to celebrate the completion of your certificate.

CURRICULUM

Non-Certificate Training Program

To participate in the non-certificate Training Program, students must *already* have completed or be enrolled in either SOC/CSDE 513 ([Demography & Ecology](#)) or SOC/CSDE 533 ([Research Methods in Demography](#)) and have been involved with the CSDE community in some other way, such as by attending the CSDE 501 seminar, taking the CSDE 502 Proseminar, attending a Working Group, doing demographic research, or being a PHI Applied Research Fellow. Non-certificate trainees are encouraged to take other courses in demography offered by CSDE or other departments, though they are not required to do so.

Certificate Training Program

The CSDE Certificate Program requires that students take a series of courses on the substance of Demography. These courses can be completed in about 2 years while concurrently pursuing a graduate degree in any department.

The Certificate Program curriculum consists of five elements:

1. Required core courses on the substance and methods of demography
 - SOC/CSDE 513: [Demography & Ecology](#) (3 credits, 1 quarter)
 - SOC/CSDE 533: [Research Methods in Demography](#) (3 credits, 1 quarter)
2. Two electives chosen from a broad array of courses in multiple disciplines, listed on the [CSDE Electives Page](#)
3. Professional development in the field through a Proseminar series and mentoring
 - CSDE 502: [Population Studies Proseminar](#) (1 credit in Fall quarter & 2 credits in Winter and Spring quarters, for a total of 5 credits)
4. The CSDE Weekly Seminar Series, which meets on Fridays 12:30-1:30, and features presentations of current research in demography.
 - CSDE 501: 1 credit for 3 quarters, total of 3 credits (2020-2021 seminar series schedule is [here](#))
5. Research mentoring

The credits received for the courses you complete for the CSDE curriculum can count as credits toward your degree. However, the Graduate School imposes restrictions on how the credits you

earn in your demographic coursework can be allocated to meet the requirements of your degree program. Specifically, credits for required courses in your degree program cannot be counted towards the CSDE program requirements. Likewise, the required CSDE courses—CSDE 513 and CSDE 533—cannot be counted towards your degree’s elective requirements. Credits of official elective courses in your degree program or the certificate program can count as electives in the other program, but only up to 6 credits. If credits are already being counted towards two degree programs or towards your degree program and a different certificate program, they may not be counted towards the CSDE credit requirements. Completing the certificate program may not require extra coursework above your degree program’s required number of credits if you plan accordingly.

Please read the requirements and the [Graduate Certificate Program Requirements Page](#), and consult with your advisor before submitting the application so that you are confident that the certificate program is consistent with your goals and expectations.

Visit the [CSDE Training Page](#) for more details on the Demographic Methods Graduate Certificate Program. If you would like to learn more about the certificate program or CSDE, please consult with the CSDE Training Director (Christine Leibbrand - cleibb@uw.edu), the CSDE Faculty Core Training Director (Zack Almquist— zalmquis@uw.edu), or another CSDE Faculty Affiliate.