

# TRAUMA-INFORMED PRACTICE, CERTIFICATE

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The Trauma-Informed Practice (TIP) Certificate is an 18-credit, graduate-level, cross disciplinary certificate offered through the USC College of Social Work. The certificate will provide cutting edge, specialized trauma knowledge and the development of practice skills in trauma intervention across a range of practice areas.

## Learning Outcomes

1. Students will demonstrate competent knowledge of trauma in neuroscientific research and practice.
2. Students will demonstrate knowledge of trauma-informed practice principles and their intersection with human rights and anti-racist frameworks, applied to diverse individuals, families, and communities, including those who have experienced racism and oppression.
3. Students will demonstrate practice skills in the areas of trauma-informed engagement and assessment, trauma-sensitive relationship building, and trauma-responsive interventions across diverse populations and settings.
4. Students will demonstrate capacity to develop trauma-informed policies and practices in and between various organizations, institutions, and systems people encounter, including education, child welfare, criminal justice, health and mental health, substance use, and others.
5. Students will competently apply knowledge about the impact of personal and collective, secondary, and vicarious exposure to trauma, engage in ethical decision-making that addresses the potential risk for harm in helping relationships, and develop self-care and relational support practices.