



**Race and Social Justice Interdisciplinary Graduate Certificate**  
**Institute for the Study of "Race" & Social Justice**  
**More information: <http://race.unm.edu>**

This Form Must be Uploaded to the UNM Application  
[https://app.applyyourself.com/AYApplicantLogin/fl\\_ApplicantLogin.asp?id=unmgrad](https://app.applyyourself.com/AYApplicantLogin/fl_ApplicantLogin.asp?id=unmgrad)

**APPLICATION DEADLINES:** October 1 & March 1 annually. Applicants are generally informed about the status of their application within 30 days of application. For more information visit: [race.unm.edu](http://race.unm.edu). If you have not heard from us with that time please email: [race@unm.edu](mailto:race@unm.edu).

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

for detailed instructions: <http://grad.unm.edu/graduate-programs/documents/race-social-justice-cert.pdf>

1. Currently enrolled in a graduate program at UNM
2. Supplemental Form (this form)
3. Curriculum Vitae (cv)
4. \$50 application fee will be required to complete the online application. This fee is a university-wide requirement; *the fees are NOT received by the Institute of "Race" & Social Justice.*
5. Letter of Intent for Admissions to the Graduate Certificate Program. Please address the following questions:

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR LETTER OF INTENT**

In two to three single-spaced pages, please address the following questions:

1. Why are you interested in the study of race and social justice?
2. Discuss your own lived racial experiences in relation to your understanding of race.
3. How do you see the study of race and social justice connecting with your current graduate degree program? What impact do you hope to make after graduation?

**PRIVACY STATEMENT**

This information is for the purpose of understanding you and your interests for educational, not research purposes. This information will not be shared beyond the faculty and staff members of Institute for the Study of "Race" & Advisory Board for purposes of student success. For assessment we may provide aggregate statistics for academic program reviews and continual improvements that would not personally identify any particular student (e.g., % women; % racial ethnic minority, % first generation college, etc.).

**1. DATE APPLICATION SUBMITTED:**

Yes, I am currently enrolled in a Graduate Degree Program at UNM i

Name of Program (s):

Check One or more Degree types: PhD  MA  Other Degree: \_\_\_\_\_ (Write in)

In what year of your graduate program are you currently?

First  Second  Third  Fourth  Fifth  Sixth or more

I'm beginning my graduate program this semester

Are you graduating this academic year? Yes  No

I'm not currently nor will be enrolled this academic year (Note: You may not apply as this is only available for currently enrolled students).

**2. APPLICANT INFORMATION**

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name:

Preferred Name:

Email:

Alternate Email:

Cell Phone #

Alternate Phone #

work      home       other

**3. Are you a member of an underrepresented population? (Examples include but are not limited to persons who: are from a racial or ethnic minority populations, grew up in a low-income family, is a first generation college student, rural, other under-represented group).**

1st generation college graduate

Raised in a low-income family

From a rural community

Attended a Historically Black College or University

Attended a Hispanic Serving Institution

Not applicable

Other underrepresented status (Please specify)

(e.g., veteran, disability, etc.)

**4. Are you an international undergraduate/graduate student?**

Yes

No

**5. Are you Hispanic, Latina(o) or Chicana(o):**

Yes

No

**6. What is your race (Check all that apply)?**

White, non-Hispanic

Black, non-Hispanic

Hispanic/Latina(o) White

Hispanic/Latina(o) Afro-Latina(o)

Hispanic/Latina(o) Mestiza(o)

Hispanic/Latina(o) Indígena / from an Indigenous Pueblo of Latin America

American Indian/Native American

Alaska Native Asian

Native Hawaiian

Pacific Islander

Middle Eastern /Arab

Asian

Other

**7. What is your specific ethnic origin**, enrolled tribe or ancestry? Please specify all backgrounds; e.g., Mexican, African American, Nuevomexicana(o), Jamaican, Chinese, Apache Mescalero, Afro-Canadian, Navajo Nation, Haitian, Polish, Appalachian, Irish, Acoma Pueblo, Maya, Chicana(o), Guyanese, Kenyan, Tejana(o), Cajun, Middle Eastern, Quechua, Guatemalan, First Nations, Arab American, Vietnamese, Korean, South African, Garifuna, Samoan, German, Italian, Polish, Kenyan, Aymara, Italian, etc.

**8. What is your place of birth?**

Town/City:

State:

Country:

**9. What high school did you graduate from?**

Name of school:

Location of high school:

City:

State:

Urban  Rural      Suburban

Type of high school:

Public

Private

Independent

Parochial

Charter

Home School

**10. College /Universities Attended and Degrees Earned (Transcripts are NOT required):**

Name of College or University

, City, State Country

Degree earned, Major & Year

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ALL ACCEPTED CERTIFICATE STUDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO do the following prior to graduation.

1. SUBMIT AN EXIT ESSAY AT LEAST 60 days before the end of the semester and have all coursework approved by a faculty advisor. The essay should address the following questions.

A reflexive exit letter three to five single-spaced pages will be required. The purpose of this letter is for assessment of student learning outcomes, impact in our continual improvement efforts.

1. How has your thinking about race and social justice changed as a result of this certificate program? What interdisciplinary insights on race and social justice do you find most valuable?
2. How do you believe the content of the certificate curriculum will help you in your next steps? What do you plan to do?
3. What suggestions do you have for improvements in mentoring, course offerings and content? It is our hope that your reflection on these questions can help support mentoring and other aspects of the graduate certificate program.
4. Any other comments?

OPTIONAL

18. We would like to remain in contact with you post graduation. We would like to keep you updated on existing opportunities and to learn more about how this certificate has impacted your work. Please provide information for one to three individuals that we may contact if we are unable to reach you. We will not share this information with anyone.

Name	Email	Telephone	Relationship
1.			
2.			
3.			

10. Gender Identity (optional): *Write in:* \_\_\_\_\_

11. Sexual Orientation (optional): *Write in:* \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you!