



Inworks Graduate Certificate in Human-Centered Design and Innovation

Overview

The Inworks Graduate Certificate in Human-Centered Design and Innovation (HCDI) provides an advanced introduction to the design and innovation processes used to collaboratively address important human problems. The program will prepare students to participate constructively in collaborative teams that seek to address complex human problems.

Objectives

Students who undertake the Graduate Certificate in HCDI will acquire basic abilities to:

- collaborate effectively in interdisciplinary teams;
- contribute meaningfully to the development of innovative solutions to complex and challenging problems;
- implement potential solutions using a variety of prototyping techniques;

Requirements

- A minimum of 9 credit hours, as follows:
 - HCDI Graduate Certificate Foundations Course: IWKS 5100
 - HCDI Graduate Certificate Breadth Elective: Choose one of (IWKS 5120, IWKS 5200, IWKS 5300, IWKS 5400, IWKS 5700, IWKS 5500, IWKS 55520, IWKS 5550, IWKS 5600, IWKS 5650, or IWKS 5700)
 - HCDI Graduate Certificate Capstone Course: Choose one of (IWKS 5800 or 5900)
- Student must maintain a 3.0 GPA cumulative minimum for all HCDI Graduate Certificate courses
- Students must earn a minimum grade of “B-” in all courses counted toward the HCDI Graduate Certificate.
- Coursework used to satisfy the HCDI Graduate Certificate requirements cannot be taken Pass/Fail.
- Courses may not be substituted, except as described below.
- A minimum of 6 credit hours toward the HCDI Graduate Certificate must be taken on the Denver or Anschutz campuses.
- Failing to meet the minimum grade for any individual HCDI graduate course twice will result in automatic removal from the HCDI program.

Course Substitutions

Where appropriate, students may petition to have a course offered by another academic unit (including course work from another institution, Study Abroad, or Semester at Sea) accepted as a Breadth Elective (the Foundation and Capstone courses may not be substituted). To pursue this option, students must complete a Course Substitution Petition Request Form (available from the Inworks Graduate Advisor) and attach relevant supporting documentation (e.g., syllabus, transcripts, etc.). It is strongly recommended that students seek approval of substitution requests as early as possible. See the Inworks Graduate Advisor for more information.