Goals of the Certificate Program:

- Foster a school culture that is inclusive for students and staff
- Infuse social-emotional character development across the school setting
- Tackle equity through a commitment to foster student and staff potential

"I believe character development is relational and fostered in a lifelong process of navigating and developing our inner and moral selves as we engage with others and cultivate our wisdom, courage and compassion."

Dr. Julie Nagashima
Assistant Professor of Ethical Leadership;
Coordinator of Character Education Certificate Program

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The Online Experience
- Asynchronous with weekly expectations
- Two to three hours of structured content and activities per week
- Padlet and VoiceThread utilized for an interactive experience
- Modules are intended to be taken in sequence

Benefits of the Certificate
- Weekly engagement with instructor and peers
- Earn 45 hours of professional development units
- Receive access to resources during and after the program
- Join a supportive network with which to connect

Take the next step!
Learn more about the application process and upcoming deadlines.

Self as a Moral and Ethical Leader
Introduction to character, starting from the self and the various ways our roles affect students’ character development.

Character Education in the Classroom
Introduction to virtue framework, virtue language and literacy: moral, civic, intellectual and performance virtues.

Character Education as a School Ethos
Introduction to effective practices for fostering a school culture of character.

This certificate program touched on all SEL competencies. It has allowed me to expand my understanding and creativity in teaching character development within my small groups, the larger educational community, my school community and my parent community.

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