

San José State University  
**COLLEGE OF HEALTH & HUMAN SCIENCES**

**COLLABORATIVE RESPONSE TO FAMILY VIOLENCE PROGRAM**



**JS 137: Collaborative Response to Family Violence**  
**Spring 2020 – HYBRID: Online/In-Person**

This 3-unit, hybrid course offered through the Department of Justice Studies is available to students across majors. This course welcomes all upper-division undergrad and graduate students\* interested in Family Violence.

*This course prepares students for specialized internships in the field of family violence.*

**Course Description**

Family violence is a complex social problem requiring a coordinated, interdisciplinary response. This course provides foundational knowledge of family violence representing diverse perspectives, including human rights, public health, justice systems, and social and health services. This knowledge provides a foundation for working effectively across disciplines and sectors to provide a more collaborative, synergistic response to family violence that increases safety and resilience for victims and reduces unintended consequences.

This course incorporates active participation through online and in-person collaborative learning. This course focuses on soft skills needed in human systems, especially those providing trauma-informed services. Course activities include reading, online discussions, a series of essays, in-person panel discussions with professionals in the family violence field, mock collaboration exercises, data analysis, and a collaborative project.

Successful completion of this course can be highlighted by students as evidence of their knowledge and skills in collaboration and leadership, highly valued skills in the field. Additionally, students will be qualified for specialized internships.

**JS 137 Student Learning Objectives**

Students successfully completing this course will be able to:

1. Recognize the scope of family violence, issues faced by victims of family violence and how these may manifest across cultures and diverse ethnic identities.
2. Demonstrate understanding of multi-disciplinary strategies for addressing family violence and how the coordination of these strategies improves services for individuals and families impacted by family violence.
3. Analyze collaboration in local organizations and service delivery systems.
4. Demonstrate insight, awareness and skills related to one's own capacity to contribute effectively to interdisciplinary collaboration.

**\* Check with your department/school to see if the Collaborative Response to Family Violence Class (JS 137) meets degree requirements.**

*This course is not a GE course. This course is part of an advanced academic certificate: Collaborative Response to Family Violence (See <http://www.sjsu.edu/pdp/programs/crfv> for details)*