The Visual Social Work graduate certificate introduces students to visual approaches for understanding, communicating about and creating innovative solutions for responding to complex social justice issues.

The Visual Social Work certificate is for students interested in building a skillset in visual methods of inquiry to develop a deeper understanding of the human experience. Methods including digital storytelling, photo voice, textiles, documentary film, oral testimony and street art.

What is Visual Social Work at USC?

Designed for students interested in expanding their skillset for understanding and responding to complex human problems through storytelling and visual methodologies. This certificate is for those who desire the first-person voice in the testimonial to bring the viewer into the world of the storyteller’s experience. Students are trained in how to examine issues visually, drawing from social work and other disciplines, qualitative research and archival material.

The Visual Social Work certificate is available to all Master of Social Work students (on-campus and online options), and graduate students or employed professionals from other disciplines.

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