

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH SCIENCES IN THE FIELD OF CLINICAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION

Clinical research administration is a vast and expanding field that involves the processes in which products—drugs, devices, biological and treatment protocols are developed for patient care. Both the master’s degree and graduate certificate programs prepare health sciences professionals to participate in the science and business of the development process. The rigorous curriculum focuses on regulatory requirements, ethical issues, processes for product development, the business of clinical research and scientific method processes. The online format provides a convenient option for self-disciplined and self-directed students to pursue the program and prepare for professional advancement while maintaining their work and other commitments.

Professionals with a bachelor’s degree and relevant clinical research or health science experience may apply for the master of science in health sciences program in clinical research administration.

A multi-level dual degree program offers academically qualified individuals a seamless and accelerated pathway for completing both the bachelor of science in health sciences in clinical research administration and the master of science in health sciences in clinical research administration.

Visit the program website (<https://smhs.gwu.edu/clinical-research-administration/>) for additional program information.

ADMISSIONS

Admissions Fall - August 6

Deadlines:

Spring - December 6

Summer - March 15

The application and all supporting documentation (fees, statement of purpose, letters of recommendation, transcripts) must be received by the deadline in order for the application to be reviewed.

Standardized Not required

Test Scores:

Recommendations: Two (2) recommendations required:

Prior Academic Records: Transcripts required from all colleges and universities attended, whether or not credit was earned, the program was completed, or the credit appears as transfer credit on another transcript. Transcripts must be forwarded in their original sealed envelopes.

If academic records are in a language other than English, a certified English language translation must be provided in addition to the original transcripts; translations alone will not be accepted.

Official transcripts from institutions outside the U.S. must be accompanied by an official transcript evaluation from an accredited independent evaluating agency. Please be sure you request a detailed evaluation that includes all course titles, credit hours, grades, U.S. degree equivalency, grade-point averages (GPA), and date of degree conferral. For a list of acceptable foreign credential evaluation services, please follow this link: <https://www.naces.org/members> (<https://www.naces.org/members/>).

Statement of Purpose: In an essay of 250 to 500 words, describe your reasons for undertaking study in the Health Sciences at The George Washington University. You should state your academic objectives, career plans, and related qualifications, including collegiate, professional, and community activities, as well as any other substantial accomplishments not already mentioned on the application form.

Degree and GPA Requirements: Bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution

3.0 GPA or above on a 4.0 scale

International Applicants: Please follow this link - <https://graduate.admissions.gwu.edu/international-student-application-requirements> (<https://graduate.admissions.gwu.edu/international-student-application-requirements/>) - to review the International Applicant Information carefully for details on required documents and English language requirements.

PLEASE NOTE that the Health Sciences programs require the following minimum English language test scores for admission:

- Academic IETLS: an overall band score of 7.0 with no individual band score below 6.0; or

- TOEFL: 600 on paper-based, 250 on computer-based, or 100 on Internet-based; or

- PTE Academic: 68

Supporting documents not submitted online should be mailed to:

Office of Admissions
Health Sciences Programs
The George Washington University
2000 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Suite 2000
Washington, DC 20006

For questions contact:

hsphora@gwu.edu
202-994-0384
9:00am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 36 credits, including: 18 credits in clinical research administration, 9 credits of strategic leadership courses, 6 credits of graduate research coursework, and a 3-credit elective course.

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Required | | |
| Clinical research administration courses | | |
| CRA 6201 | Critical Analysis Clinical Research | |
| CRA 6202 | Medicines Development | |
| CRA 6203 | Partnerships with Human Subjects | |
| CRA 6204 | The Clinical Research Industry | |
| CRA 6209 | Quality and Risk Management | |
| CRA 6211 | Monitoring, Auditing, and Oversight in Clinical Research | |
| CRA 6275 | Leadership and Change in Clinical Research Administration | |
| Strategic leadership courses | | |
| COHM 6235 | Leadership Development in Healthcare Systems | |
| COHM 6245 | Strategic and Operational Decision Making for Healthcare Leaders | |
| Graduate research courses | | |
| HSCI 6263 | Biostatistics Translational Research | |
| HSCI 6264 | Epidemiology Translational Research | |
| Elective | | |
| One course from the following: | | |
| CRA 6208 | International Clinical Research | |
| RAFF 6201 | Introduction to Global Regulatory Affairs | |