GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN LONG-TERM CARE

Program Director R. Burke

The graduate certificate in long-term care program is designed to prepare students to best meet the needs of a rapidly aging population in the United States by providing the academic course requirements necessary for licensure of post-acute and senior services programs and facilities. The objectives of the certificate are to master the requirements and strengthen understanding of facility management, provider services and programs, and federal policies to achieve the highest levels of quality of care in senior and long-term care services.

Visit the program website (http://publichealth.gwu.edu/programs/long-term-care-certificate/) for additional information.

REQUIREMENTS

Course Requirements
1. Graduate credit requirement. 18 graduate credits are required.
2. The program director/advisor must pre-approve all course selections and course sequencing by developing a “program of study” prior to the student’s initial registration. Graduate certificate students meet with their advisor each semester before registration. All changes in this program of study must be pre-approved by the program director/advisor.
3. Course requirements. Since most graduate certificate students are currently enrolled in an MPH program or have previously earned a graduate degree, most course credits are selected from the program-specific course list. Under no circumstances may a certificate student enroll in fewer than 9 credits of program-specific courses.
4. Grade point requirement. A 3.0 (B average) overall grade-point average or above is required.
5. Time limit requirement. The certificate must be completed within two years.
6. Transfer credit policy. The program director/advisor may approve up to 4 graduate credits that have not been applied to a previous graduate degree to be transferred to the graduate certificate. The course(s) must be relevant to the graduate certificate. Credits must have been earned in the last three years from an accredited institution with a grade point of 3.0 or above.

Program Requirements

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HSML 6207  Health Services Information Applications
HSML 6216  Human Resources Management and Organizational Behavior
HSML 6236  Aging and Disability: Needs and Services
HSML 6237  Managing the Skilled Nursing Facility
Electives (6 credits)
The following is a sample list. Topics vary from semester to semester.
HSML 6299  Topics in HSML
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HSML 6204  Quality and Performance Improvement
PUBH 6537  Health Promotion and Aging
PUBH 6099  Topics in Public Health
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