GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN 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. Our rigorous curriculum focuses on regulatory requirements, ethical issues, processes for product development, the business of clinical research and scientific method processes. The distance education format, offered online, 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.

The certificate requires 12 semester hours in clinical research administration course work which are transferable to the MSHS degree.

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

ADMISSIONS

Admissions Deadlines:
- Fall - July 20
- Spring - December 1
- Summer - March 20

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 Test Scores:
Not required

Recommendations:
Two (2) letters of recommendation.
Recommendations should be from an academic instructor who can strongly attest to your academic ability and/or someone who has served in a supervisory capacity for you and can strongly attest to your work ethic. Recommendations from family and friends are not accepted.

Prior Academic Records:
Official transcripts are required from all colleges and universities attended (including via dual enrollment), whether or not credit was earned, the program was completed, or the credit appears as transfer credit on another transcript. Official transcripts must be forwarded in their original sealed envelopes or sent electronically directly from the institution.
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.

Statement of Purpose:
In an essay of approximately 250-500 words, describe your interest in undertaking study at The George Washington University. What are some of your academic objectives or career goals? Please highlight any of your related qualifications and achievements—including academic, community, professional, or extra-curricular activities relevant to your program of interest. Include any substantial accomplishments not already mentioned within the application.

Degree and GPA Requirements:
Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale

International Applicants:
Please follow this link - 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. Applicants who are not U.S. citizens are required to submit official test scores for either Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), Pearson’s Test of English (PTE) Academic, the academic International English Language Testing System (IELTS), or the Duolingo English Test (DET).

The following are the minimum scores for admission consideration:
- TOEFL: 250 computer-based or 100 Internet-based; PTE: overall score of 68
- IELTS: overall band score of 7.0, with no individual band score below 6.0; or DET overall score of 120

International applicants who meet the following conditions may be considered for admission without submitting TOEFL, PTE, IELTS, or DET scores:
- They are a citizen of a country where English is the official language (as identified by GW ISO list of Exempt countries) OR;
They hold at least a bachelor's degree from a country where English is the official language as well as language of instruction OR; • They hold at least a bachelor's degree from an institution accredited by a U.S. regional accrediting agency.

Supporting documents not submitted online should be mailed to:

George Washington University
ATTN: Transcript Processing Center
1415 W 22nd St.
Suite 220
Oak Brook, IL 60523

Alternatively, official electronic transcripts can be sent to transcripts@hsprograms.gwu.edu.

Contact for questions:
hsphora@gwu.edu
202-994-0384 (phone)
202-994-0870 (fax)
Hours: 9 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 12 credits, including 9 credits required courses and one 3-credit elective course. Courses successfully completed in this program can be counted toward degree requirements for the master of science in health sciences (MSHS) in regulatory affairs and clinical research leadership program.

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