GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN CLINICAL RESEARCH PRACTICE

The online graduate certificate in clinical research practice prepares you for evidence-based practice in the role of a Principal or co-investigator (Co-I or Co-PI) in clinical research. There are six online courses (15 credits) that can be applied toward the master of science in health sciences (MSHS) in clinical and translational research.

In earning the certificate, students learn how the Institutional Review Board (IRB), the Data Safety and Monitoring Board, protocol development, implementations, standard operating procedures, guidelines, regulations, and ethical considerations inform clinical research practice so you can collaborate with sponsored research programs.

In as little as 1 year, students complete 15 credit hours and learn to:

• Oversee clinical research at the study site level
• Ensure compliance with Good Clinical Practice (GCP)
• Use biostats and epidemiology to inform clinical practice in a research study site
• Improve the practice’s potential for serving as a clinical study site

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

ADMISSIONS

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

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: Required
- 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.

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:
- Bachelor’s degree from a regionally-accredited institution
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale
- Previous work experience. Healthcare Experience Preferred
- Resume is required.

International Applicants: This program can be completed fully online and is not visa eligible.

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

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