

# GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN HEALTH SCIENCES

Students who opt to complete a graduate certificate in health sciences analyze key contemporary issues in U.S. health and social policy that affect the design and structure of the health care system; assess the health policy development process and its influence on health care delivery and quality; and discuss domestic and international regulatory processes and practices from early non-clinical investigations, through human clinical trials, manufacturing and testing up to launch, post-developing products, navigating the regulatory review and approval process, and contributing to keeping products on the market. As part of the certificate students will use an Integrative case-based approach, analyze complex problems in the management and leadership of healthcare systems.

## ADMISSIONS

Admissions Fall - July 20

Deadlines:

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 Not required

Test Scores:

Recommendations Two (2) letters of recommendation.

required: 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.

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 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

**Additional Requirements:** Resume is required.

**International Students:** International students should check with individual programs regarding eligibility for visa sponsorship. Generally, online and hybrid programs are not eligible for student visa sponsorship from GW. This would include transfer students from any other institution with an existing visa.

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Applicants who are not U.S. citizens are required to submit official test scores for either Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or#Pearsons#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: 600 on paper based, 250 on computer-based, or 100 Internet-based, PTE: overall score of 68, IELTS: an overall band score of 7.0, with no individual band score below 6.0, or DET overall score of 120. \*Scores can be no older than 2 years.

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

## REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 15 credits in required courses.

| <b>Code</b> | <b>Title</b>  | <b>Credits</b> |
|-------------|---|----------------|
| CML 6205    | Case Studies in Clinical Management and Leadership              |                |
| HCQ 6200    | Introduction to Healthcare Quality                              |                |
| HCQ 6202    | Health Care Quality Landscape                                   |                |
| HSCI 6240   | Issues and Trends in the Health Care System                     |                |
| RCR 6201    | Introduction to Global Regulatory Affairs and Clinical Research |                |