

# MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH SCIENCES IN THE FIELD OF INTEGRATIVE MEDICINE (STEM)

The master's program in integrative medicine prepares physicians and health practitioners in advanced principles and practices of wellness and lifestyle medicine. The curriculum is taught by internationally recognized leaders from the clinical and research sciences, including Nobel-prize winners and NASA scientists, with a focus on preventive, prognostic, and patient-centric approaches to care.

This is a STEM designated program.

Visit the program website (<https://smhs.gwu.edu/bulletin/smhs/graduate-programs/ms-integrative-medicine/>) for additional information.

## ADMISSIONS

Admissions Fall - July 20

Deadlines:

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: 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: Applicants must include a 400–600 word essay describing your reasons for undertaking study at GW, your academic objectives, career goals, and related qualifications including collegiate, professional, and community activities relevant to your program of interest. Include any substantial accomplishments not already mentioned on the application form. Also include an explanation of how you plan to balance your day-to-day responsibilities with the responsibilities of being a graduate student (reading and writing assignments as well as other projects, typically with weekly deadlines for each course).

Degree and GPA requirements: Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution. A medical degree or graduate degree in one of the core discipline areas is preferred.

Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale

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Prerequisites: 3 credit hours of Biochemistry and 3 credit hours of Anatomy or Anatomy/Physiology with a grade of B or higher.

Additional Requirement: Resume 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.

**Supporting documents not submitted online should be mailed to:**

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

Documents may be submitted electronically to: transcripts@hsprograms.gwu.edu.

**Contact for questions:**

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

**REQUIREMENTS**

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required</b>		
INTM 6200	Foundations of Integrative Medicine Research	
INTM 6101	Nutrition I: Assessment, Diagnosis, and Intervention	
INTM 6102	Nutrition II: Life Cycle	
INTM 6201	Foundations in Integrative Medicine	
INTM 6202	Self-Care Methods for Health Care Professionals	

INTM 6203	Nutritional Metabolism and Environmental Exposure
INTM 6204	Metabolic Networks in Integrative Medicine
INTM 6206	Legal and Medical Ethics in Integrative Medicine
INTM 6210	Practical Application of Integrative Medicine I
INTM 6212	Clinical Research in Integrative Medicine

**Electives**

9 credits in elective courses selected from the following:

INTM 6105	Advanced Nutrition: Biochemistry
INTM 6110	Food Technology and Health
INTM 6111	Topics in Nutrition
INTM 6120	Nutritional Immunology
INTM 6205	Clinical Genomics, Proteomics, and Metabolomics
INTM 6211	Practical Application of Integrative Medicine II (or)
INTM 6213	Clinical Approaches in Integrative Medicine

Other elective courses may be selected in consultation with the program advisor.