LGBTQ+ PUBLIC HEALTH - GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

College of Public Health
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About This Program
The LGBTQ+ Public Health graduate certificate provides the foundational topics and complex issues that contribute to public health and individual health inequities affecting sexual and gender minorities through community- and systems-level strategies that promote health and healthy behaviors.

The certificate can be taken as a stand-alone program or within the Master of Public Health degree.

Contact Information
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• Connect with an Admissions Counselor: U.S. Student | International Student

Program Delivery
• Delivery: Fully online

For more information about graduate admissions, visit the graduate admission website. For more information on international admissions, visit the international admission website.

Admission Requirements
• Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university
• Minimum 3.000 undergraduate GPA on a 4.000-point scale
• Official transcript(s)
• Goal statement (no longer required starting with spring 2025 admission term)
• Résumé (no longer required starting with spring 2025 admission term)
• English Language Proficiency - all international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions to waive) by earning one of the following:
  • Minimum 79 TOEFL iBT
  • Minimum 6.5 IELTS score
  • Minimum 58 PTE score
  • Minimum 110 DET score

International applicants who do not meet the above test scores will not be considered for admission.

Application Deadlines
• Fall Semester
  • Rolling admissions (domestic student)
• Spring Semester
  • Rolling admissions (domestic student)

Program Requirements
Certificate Requirements

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Minimum Total Credit Hours: 12

Graduation Requirements
Minimum Certificate GPA  Minimum Overall GPA
3.000 3.000

Program Learning Outcomes
Graduates of this program will be able to:
1. Comprehend unique considerations, definitions, nomenclature and common language necessary to engage and competently interact with populations in the delivery of LGBTQ+ health interventions and program development.
2. Examine barriers to healthcare access, commonly observed multilevel health disparities and evidence-based approaches to advancing health among the LGBTQ+ community.
3. Identify gaps in contemporary strategies for improving state, county and city government health and welfare services for LGBTQ+ people.