LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY GRADUATE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

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Purpose:

The Master of Health Administration program at Penn State Harrisburg offers a Long-Term Care Administration and Policy graduate credit certificate program. The focus of the certificate program is designed for working long-term care administrators, professionals, and policy makers in for-profit, not-for-profit, and public organizations who need advanced knowledge and skills in long-term care administration and policy, as well as in long-term care systems and their relationship to and integration with health-care systems.

Objectives:

The objective of the Long-Term Care Certificate Program is to deliver knowledge and skills in long-term care administration and policy, as well as in long-term care systems and their relationship to and integration with traditional health care systems. Students successfully completing the certificate program receive a certificate from Penn State Harrisburg attesting to their successfully accomplishment of the certificate program requirements.

Effective Semester: Spring 2025 Expiration Semester: Spring 2030

Admission Requirements

Applicants apply for admission to the program via the Graduate School application for admission (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-admissions/how-to-apply/). Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-300 Admissions Policies (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/). International applicants may be required to satisfy an English proficiency requirement; see GCAC-305 Admission Requirements for International Students (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-300/gcac-305-admission-requirements-international-students/) for more information.

Applicants admitted into the certificate program must have a master's degree or a 3.0 grade-point average in the last two years of undergraduate work. This requirement may be waived in exceptional circumstances.

Certificate Requirements

Requirements listed here are in addition to requirements listed in Graduate Council policy GCAC-212 Postbaccalaureate Credit Certificate Programs (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-200/gcac-212-postbaccalaureate-credit-certificate-programs/).

The Long-Term Care Administration and Policy graduate credit certificate program consists of four Health Administration (HADM) graduate-level courses (12 credits). All courses must be taken for a letter grade. A 3.0 grade-point average in the certificate program courses is needed for the awarding of the certificate, and only grades of C or better will be counted toward the certificate.

If student in the certificate program already holds a graduate degree in health care administration or a related field and has taken graduate courses that duplicate the content of courses in the certificate program, he or she may substitute other HADM courses for those redundant courses with the prior approval of the professor in charge.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
HADM 542	Health Care Politics and Policy	3
HADM 543	Long-Term Care Administration and Policy	3
HADM 545	Health Financial Management	3
Electives		
Select one of the following:		3
HADM 539	Health Systems Organization	
HADM 551	Health Care Law	
HADM 552	Health Delivery Systems	
Total Credits		12

Courses

Graduate courses carry numbers from 500 to 699 and 800 to 899. Advanced undergraduate courses numbered between 400 and 499 may be used to meet some graduate degree requirements when taken by graduate students. Courses below the 400 level may not. A graduate student may register for or audit these courses in order to make up deficiencies or to fill in gaps in previous education but not to meet requirements for an advanced degree.

Learning Outcomes

Students will possess the Knowledge and Skills necessary to address
 the relationship and integration of long-term care with all other healthcare systems.