This graduate certificate program is designed to provide non-science students with broad training in the field of public health preparedness. A distance education format is used to accommodate the needs of professionals already active in this area.

**Effective Semester:** Summer 2019  
**Expiration Semester:** Summer 2024

### Admission Requirements

Applicants apply for admission to the program via the Graduate School application for admission (http://gradschool.psu.edu/prospective-students/how-to-apply/). Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-300 Admissions Policies (http://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 (http://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/gcac-300.gcac-305-admission-requirements-international-students/) for more information.

All applicants are required to submit a resume, statement of purpose, 3 letters of recommendation, and GRE scores. Applicants may request a waiver from the GRE requirement if they meet one of the following criteria:

- 3.00 undergraduate grade-point average (GPA) either overall or in the last 60 credits;
- 5+ years of professional work experience;
- 3.00 GPA upon completion of a graduate certificate; or
- successful completion of a graduate or professional degree.

### Certificate Requirements

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

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### Learning Outcomes

1. **PHP ORG:** Students will be able to identify major organizations, agencies, and policies that substantially affect the practice of public health preparedness.
2. **PHP APP:** Students will be able to identify, design, implement, and evaluate evidence-based approaches to public health preparedness.
3. **PHP EPI:** Students will be able to apply basic epidemiologic principles and methods to public health preparedness.
4. **PHP HOSP ERP:** Students will be able identify and evaluate hospital vulnerabilities and to develop a hospital emergency response plan.
5. **PHP LEAD/TEAM:** Students will demonstrate effective leadership and team-based practices and procedures.

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