

# Certificate in Senior Living Management

## Admission

To be admitted into the graduate certificate in senior living management program, the applicant must:

- Be admitted to Graduate School in a degree program or in nondegree seeking A status. All Graduate School policies relative to admissions apply. International students will not be issued an I-20 for certificate programs alone. International students may obtain this certificate only while concurrently pursuing a graduate degree.
- A bachelor degree of any discipline will be considered for admission.
- Have a minimum overall GPA of 2.750 (on a 4.000 scale) or a 2.750 in the last 60 credit hours of undergraduate coursework.
- Submit a personal goals essay of 250 words or less which clearly articulates the applicant's reason for seeking the graduate certificate in senior living management.
- Submit a current resume.

## Application Deadlines

- July 15th for fall admission;
- December 1st for spring admission; and
- April 15th for summer admission.

## Program Requirements

The graduate certificate in senior living management (GCSLM) can be completed 100 percent online. It comprises 12 total credit hours covering essential aspects of managing long-term care (LTC) communities that professionals within the senior living industry and across post-acute healthcare need to best serve residents, their families and staff. The curriculum immerses students in the daily operations of managing the spectrum of senior living, essential components of human resource management, and elements of hospitality that are highly sought-after within the industry. Students then choose to focus in an area specific to their career goals, including content in community resources and the aging network, the Medicare system, healthcare finance, or the Administrator-in-Training practicum (AIT) (<http://catalog.wichita.edu/graduate/health-professions/health-sciences/public-health-sciences/#aitpracticumplacementtext>) for those who aspire to become licensed nursing home administrators (LNHA).

Classes completed in pursuit of the GCSLM can be applied to the graduate program of study for the Master of Arts in aging studies (MAAGE) (<http://catalog.wichita.edu/graduate/health-professions/health-sciences/public-health-sciences/ma-in-aging-studies-age/#requirementstext>). A student admitted to the master's program can apply all 12 GCSLM credit hours to the MAAGE senior living management concentration, leading to completion of their MA within three semesters.

Courses started more than 10 years before the semester in which the master's degree work is completed may not be used as part of the degree program.

The GCSLM can be completed within one year. Courses are offered on the following rotation:

Course	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses (9 credit hours)</b>		
PHS 562	Senior Living Operations (fall)	3

PHS 622	Human Resource Management in Healthcare (spring)	3
PHS 626	Senior Living Hospitality (spring)	3
<b>Elective Courses (3 credit hours)</b>		
Select one of the following		
PHS 560	Community Resources and Aging Network (spring)	3
PHS 660	Administrator-in-Training Long-Term Care Practicum (fall/spring/summer)	3
PHS 765	The Medicare System (summer)	3
PHS 803	Healthcare Finance (fall)	3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

In addition to the above requirements, students must meet the Graduate School's requirements (<http://catalog.wichita.edu/graduate/academic-information/types-programs-courses/certificates-graduate-programs/>) in order to earn this certificate.