

College of Science

Undergraduate Academic Certificate in Health Professions Student Development

2021-2022 Course Sequencing Guide



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The Health Professions Student Development Certificate facilitates the process of preparing for admission to a health professional school. Not only will students strengthen the basic sections of a professional school application, but they will also be challenged to think critically about their future role in healthcare. Since UNT does not offer a pre-health major, this certificate will provide realistic expectations and valuable preparation through four categories: Healthcare Competency Development, Community Service, Healthcare Experience, and Application Awareness & Enhancement.

The Health Professions Student Development Certificate is open to all majors at UNT and will be administered through the College and Schools in collaboration with the Office of Health Professions.

Healthcare Competency Development (academic component)

- 18 credit hours total; two courses must be taken in one competency area (Oral Communication, Written Communication, Cultural Awareness, Ethical Responsibility, Leadership & Business), and one course in the remaining four competency areas.
- 9 hours must be taken at the advanced level.
- A grade of **B or better** is required in all coursework required for the certificate.

TERM 1	TERM 2
Competency Area 1 (3hours) See list of approved courses	Competency Area 2 (3 hours) See list of approved courses
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TERM 3	TERM 4
Competency Area 4 (3 hours) See list of approved courses	
Competency Area 5 (3 hours) See list of approved courses	
OTHER REQUIREMENTS	

Community Service

Students must obtain 100 hours of healthcare volunteerism or general community service. Students will submit a basic log of hours to the Office of Health Professions, along with signatures from the organization(s) where they served.

Healthcare Experience

Students are required to shadow a professional (or professionals) in their field for at least 50 hours. Students will submit a basic log of hours to the Office of Health Professions, along with signatures from the professional(s).

Application Awareness & Enhancement

1. Students must attend at least three events or activities hosted by the Office of Health Professions. Examples of appropriate health professions events and activities are:

- "What Should I Be Doing Now?" Seminars
- Application Seminar
- HPAC Seminar
- Personal Statement Workshop

- Mock Interview with a counselor in the Office of Health Professions
- Guest Speakers
- Health Professions "Spring Swing" Academic Fair

An approval form for each health professions event or activity that the student attended is required. A signature must come from the individual who hosted the event.

2. Students must submit a 5000 character essay addressing what they learned from all four categories of the certificate and how their overall experience will make them a strong healthcare professional. 5000 characters includes spaces (as emulating most application services).

3. Students must have a 3.25 overall GPA at the time of certificate completion.

4. In order to formally earn the certificate, students must submit a log of hours for community service and shadowing to the Office of Health Professions (both logs must include signatures from appropriate individuals).

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Oral Communication	Cultural Awareness
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COMM 1010 • COMM 2020 • COMM 2040 • COMM 3120 • COMM 3220 • COUN 2610 • RHAB 3000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ANTH 3101 • ANTH 3130 • ANTH 3140 • ANTH 4200 • ANTH 4210 • ANTH 4220 • ANTH 4550 • CMHT 4750 • COUN 2620 • PSYC 4030 • SOCI 3120 • SOCI 3300 • SOCI 3700 • SOCI 4250 • SOCI 4540 • SOCI 4550 • SOWK 4540 • SPAN 3520 • SPAN 3550
Written Communication	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENGL 3000 • ENGL 3110 • ENGL 3210 • ENGL 3450 • ENGL 4195 • ENGL 4630 • ENGL 4640 	
Ethical Responsibility	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MGMT 3880 • PHIL 2600 • PHIL 3440 • PSCI 4360 • SOWK 4000 	
English	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FINA 2770 • MGMT 3720 • MGMT 3721 • MGMT 3850 • MGMT 4470 • MGMT 4890 • MKTG 3010 • MKTG 3650 • MKTG 3651 • UCRS 3600 	