Washburn University – School of Applied Studies – Allied Health Department
Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Education – 12 hours
2026-2027

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in the last 60 credit hours*
- Minimum of two years of professional health care experience (undergraduate clinical education experience counts)
- GRE or GMAT not required
- Open to residents of all U.S. states**

*Conditional acceptance to candidates with bachelor's degree and cumulative GPA of 2.75-2.99 in last 60 credits.
Applicants residing in California can find information on the complaints process concerning out of state online schools through **Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA); https://www.dca.ca.gov/

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

- Complete all required coursework within six years of date of entry.
- Maintain no less than a "B" (3.0) grade point average in the MHS coursework.
- One grade of "C" in the plan of study will count for credit. A student may re-take a course to meet this requirement, but a course may only be retaken one time.
- Students will be placed on probation whenever the certificate grade point average falls below 3.0 or one course grade of "C" has been recorded.
- Unless the instructor of the course stipulates an earlier deadline, an Incomplete Grade (I) must be completed by the end of two consecutive semesters, which excludes the summer session; otherwise, a grade of "F" will be recorded. An incomplete Grade (I) in the capstone course will remain as an incomplete until the course is completed.
- Seventy-five percent (75%) of semester hours required for the degree must be earned at Washburn University.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Please note that the MHS program is a non-traditionally scheduled program. Fall and Spring courses are scheduled in 8-week blocks with a one-week break between blocks. Summer courses are scheduled according to the traditional full term (8 week) schedule. By scheduling in 8-week increments, the traditional college breaks (e.g., fall break and spring break) are not incorporated into the course schedule.

REQUIRED COURSES – The Graduate Certificate in Health Care Education requires completion of the four courses listed below. **The two-semester completion plan is designed for a fall start**, with students completing two courses in the fall and two in the spring. Students who begin the certificate in the spring have a break in the summer before completing the fall courses. Students who take only one course per semester will require more time to complete the certificate.

Semester Offered	Course Titles	Credit Hours
Fall, 1st 8 weeks	AL600 Foundations of Health Care Education	3
Fall, 2nd 8 weeks	AL624 Assessment in Health Care Education	3
Spring, 1st 8 weeks	AL626 Instructional Technology	3
Spring, 2nd 8 weeks	AL720 Curriculum and Instruction in Health Care Education	3

Table 1: Required Courses and Timing of Courses
*Students planning to use financial aid should contact the Financial Aid Office to determine if or how financial aid applies to graduate certificate enrollment, including summer courses.