Graduate Certificate: Non-Profit Management

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Learn more about the graduate certificate in Non-Profit Management.

About the Certificate

By one estimate, the United States has about 1.5 million non-profit organizations of varying size, structure, and purpose that employ over 14 million workers. Non-profits work closely with each other as well as with governments at the federal, state, and municipal levels. Government agencies contract with non-profits to conduct research, evaluate programs, and deliver goods and services during program implementation. Many non-profits also advocate on behalf of particular causes and constituencies. Such organizations have a critical role in responding to a wide array of challenges faced by society, such as access to affordable health care, criminal justice reform, economic development, education system reform, poverty and hunger, sustainability, and others.

The Non-Profit Management certificate’s curriculum gives students a foundation in the themes, concepts, and tools of non-profit management. Students who earn a "B" or better in their coursework and are admitted into the Master of Public Policy (M.P.P.) program have at least 9 credits applied toward completion of the M.P.P.

Time Limit for Certificate Completion: 2 years

Campus Location: Online, with virtual synchronous sessions held in the evenings to accommodate working professionals

Full-Time/Part-Time Status: The graduate certificate can be completed on a part-time basis. NOTE: International students may not be eligible to apply for a student visa based on admission to the certificate program. Please contact the certificate program’s administrator for more information.

Job Prospects: The Non-Profit Management certificate program is intended primarily for graduate students who seek preparation for jobs in the non-profit sector and professionals working in the field who hope to advance their careers. Completion of the certificate signals to employers that the student has a solid foundation in the concepts, knowledge, and practical tools of non-profit management.

Non-Matriculated Student Policy: Non-matriculated students may take up to 9 credits of coursework before applying to the graduate certificate program.

Admission Requirements and Deadlines

Fall and Spring: Admission is rolling.

Submit your application at https://forms.gle/5ULjY3XTN2jLt7oH7.

Questions should be directed to mpp@temple.edu.

Bachelor’s Degree in Discipline/Related Discipline: Applicants already admitted to a graduate degree program at Temple University have demonstrated that they possess the required bachelor’s degree. Applicants not currently enrolled in a Temple University graduate degree program and applicants enrolled in a graduate degree program at another university must submit official transcripts for all coursework taken since high school, whether or not a degree was earned from the institution(s). Evidence of the award of a baccalaureate degree from an accredited university with an undergraduate GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale must be shown. Transcripts should be sent to mpp@temple.edu.

Additional Requirements for Students Not Currently Enrolled in a Temple University Graduate Degree Program: Submit these additional materials via email to mpp@temple.edu:

- Two letters of recommendation from persons in a position to evaluate the applicant’s academic ability and accomplishments
- A personal statement of approximately 250 words indicating interests, plans, and objectives within the field of non-profit management
- Current resume

Certificate Requirements

Number of Credits Required to Complete the Certificate: 12

Required Courses:

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**Total Credit Hours:** 12

**GPA Required to be Awarded the Certificate:** 3.0 minimum

**Contacts**

**Certificate Program Web Address:**
https://liberalarts.temple.edu/academics/graduate-certificates

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