

Graduate Certificate: Professional Health Education

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Learn more about the graduate certificate in Professional Health Education.

This program is not accepting applications for the 2025-2026 academic year.

About the Certificate

The graduate certificate in Professional Health Education provides initial support to faculty teaching in professional education programs in such disciplines as dentistry, medicine, pharmacy and podiatry. It is designed for health-related professional educators, such as dentists, pharmacists, physicians and scientists who have professional credentials for the content they teach, but do not have knowledge regarding teaching and learning theories or case-based instruction methods.

The Professional Health Education graduate certificate offers coursework focused on adult learners, learning theories and case-based instruction. This is provided through an initial, cohort-based executive model in which courses meet either monthly or fully online, with extensive online support via activities, projects, assignments and assessments.

Time Limit for Certificate Completion: 2 years

Campus Location: Online and in-person at the Center City and Main campuses

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 Office of Enrollment Management for more information.

Admission Requirements and Deadlines

Application Deadline:

This program is not accepting applications for the 2025-2026 academic year.

APPLY ONLINE to this certificate program.

Letters of Reference:

Number Required: 2

From Whom: Letters of recommendation should be obtained to provide insight regarding the applicant's academic competence. References from college/university faculty are recommended.

Bachelor's Degree in Discipline/Related Discipline: A bachelor's degree is required. A minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.0 is expected.

Transcripts: Official undergraduate and graduate transcripts from all accredited institutions attended and/or from which credit was earned must be submitted.

International applicants must also submit an official document, including a course-by-course evaluation conducted by a NACES-accredited organization, that validates completion and conferral of a degree, diploma and/or certificate. While not required, international applicants are encouraged to submit transcript(s) to World Education Services (WES) for evaluation.

Statement of Goals: In 500-1,000 words, write a statement of purpose outlining your interest in seeking a graduate certificate with a specific focus on the career to which you aspire, your interests, and your academic and job-related experiences that are relevant to the program.

Standardized Test Scores:

Applicants who earned their baccalaureate degree from an institution where the language of instruction was other than English, with the exception of those who subsequently earned a master's degree at a U.S. institution, must report scores for a standardized test of English that meet these minimums:

- TOEFL iBT: 79
- IELTS Academic: 6.5
- PTE Academic: 53

Resume: Current resume required.

Other Requirement: Official undergraduate and graduate transcripts from all accredited institutions attended and/or from which credit was earned must be submitted.

Certificate Requirements

Number of Credits Required to Complete the Certificate: 12

Required Courses:

Year 1			
Fall			Credit Hours
AOD 5403	Facilitating Adult Learning		3
EDUC 5501	Fundamental Interpersonal Techniques for Healthcare Professionals		3
Credit Hours			6
Spring			
AOD 5534	Group Facilitation and Consultation		3
EDUC 5502	Case-Based Instruction and Learning		3
Credit Hours			6
Total Credit Hours			12

GPA Required to be Awarded the Certificate: 3.0 minimum

Contacts

Certificate Program Web Address:

<https://www.temple.edu/academics/degree-programs/professional-health-education-certificate-graduate-ed-phed-grad>

Department Information:

Dept. of Psychological Studies in Education
College of Education and Human Development
1301 Cecil B. Moore Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19122-6091
educate@temple.edu
215-204-0999

Submission Address for Application Materials:

<https://apply.temple.edu/CEHD>

Department Contacts:

Admissions:

Office of Enrollment Management
educate@temple.edu
215-204-0999

Graduate Advising:

College of Education and Human Development
gradcehd@temple.edu

Program Coordinator:

Dr. Paul Jones
paul.jones@temple.edu