

CM Program Code Pre-Health Scholars Certificate

Under Review | Fall 2023

Proposal Information

Workflow Status

In Progress

Faculty Senate Approval, Faculty Senate

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Waiting for Approval | Faculty Senate Approval

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College

College of Population Health

Department

Health Sciences Center

Campus

Health Sciences Center Branch
Campus (Rio Rancho)

Effective Term and Year

Proposed Effective Term and Year

Fall 2023

Justification

Program Justification

The pilot year of the Pre-Health Scholars Certificate revealed the need for the courses and the certificate to be also be offered as a graduate level for transcripts and applications. Professional health programs increasingly recognize the importance of social science and humanities knowledge and skills in healthcare education and practice. As a result, most professional health programs have adopted a holistic application approach. Pre-Health Scholars Certificate students will gain an appreciation and enhanced understanding of the interplay among social, cultural, and psychological factors with health behaviors and outcomes, while building and practicing skills for effective and inclusive healthcare delivery. This rigorous, unique 5-course certificate will strengthen students' applications through laying the groundwork for professional studies and health careers with courses on meanings and cultural understanding, communication, motivational interviewing, critical thinking, and psychology. The observational learning course will provide learning through shadowing and community engagement in field trips.

Program Category and Level

Program Category

Certificate

Program Level

Graduate

Degree, Minor, or Certificate Name

Pre-Health Scholars Certificate

Degree Type

Certificate (graduate)

Degree/Certificate Level

Graduate

CIP Code ⓘ

510999

CIP Title ⓘ

Clinical/Medical Laboratory Science and Allied Professions, Other.

Plan Options**Is this program also offered online?**

No

New program courses

Composition of new program

Existing courses	Revised courses	New Courses	Total Credits
HSCI 400/500			
HSCI 401/501			
HSCI 402/502			
HSCI 403/503			
HSCI 404/504			

Pre-proposal (new degrees/certificates only)

Pre-proposal Executive Summary ⓘ

- Prehealth Certificate Executive Summary 103.23 (1).docx

Program Duplication

There is not another pre-Health certificate program at UNM. We looked at the UNM Catalog and there were no similar results.

Correspondence

- Provost Memo 3.13.23 (002).pdf

Pre-proposal Approved?

Approved

File uploads

Proposal File Upload

- PreHealth Certificate Justification and budget analysis
10.17.22.docx
- PHSC
Graduate_Certificate_NewHED.pdf
- PreHealth Certificate Justification and budget analysis
10.04.23.docx

Associated Forms

Select any associated course forms that exist

Select any associated program forms that exist

Catalog Information

Program Description

Pre-Health Scholars Certificate: Professional health programs increasingly recognize the importance of social science and humanities knowledge and skills in healthcare education and practice. As a result, most professional health programs have adopted a holistic application approach. Programs are seeking students who are not only good in science but also in understanding and interacting with people – the type of people who we would want as our personal health professionals. Pre-Health Scholars Certificate students will gain an appreciation and enhanced understanding of the interplay among social, cultural, and psychological factors with health behaviors and outcomes, while building and practicing skills for effective and inclusive healthcare delivery. This rigorous, unique 5-course certificate will strengthen students' applications through laying the groundwork for professional studies and health careers with courses on meanings and cultural understanding, communication, motivational interviewing, critical thinking, and psychology. The observational learning course will provide learning through shadowing and community engagement in field trips.

Admissions Requirements

Students must have an undergraduate degree with a minimum of 3.0 cumulative gpa which must include at least 2 semesters of general chemistry, 2 semesters of biology, 2 semesters of English, Intro to statistics or Psy2501, and Psy1110. Exceptions can be made by petition.

Graduation Requirements

Students must complete all courses within the certificate (15 credit hours) with a 3.0 or higher to earn the certificate.

The following courses are required for graduation:

HSCI400, HSCI401, HSCI402, HSCI403, and HSCI404.

Professional Credential/Licensure Program Information

License/Certification associated with program

No

Concentrations

Program Concentrations

Code

Title

Concentration Required

N/A

Certificate Information

Certificate Requirements

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