ONLINE GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN LGBTQ+ PUBLIC HEALTH

Kent State University’s online Graduate Certificate in LGBTQ+ Public Health program is designed for working professionals who want to improve public health and health outcomes for members of LGBTQ+ communities.

If you seek to provide direct services, engage in policy analysis and reform, or more effectively manage or direct organizations and agencies that serve the LGBTQ+ population, this certificate is an ideal credential to add to your bachelor’s or more advanced degree.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Affordable, 100% online program designed for full-time working professionals
- The first graduate certificate program in LGBTQ+ Public Health in Ohio
- Accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)
  - Learn from expert faculty renowned for their cutting-edge public health research
  - Engage with a robust curriculum featuring award-winning courses

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

- 12 credits total
- 4 courses
- 4 focused 7-week courses, 3 credits per course
- Designed in collaboration with faculty
- Graduate in as few as 2 semesters
- 2 annual start dates: Fall and Spring

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited university with a GPA of 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale)
- Completed online application form

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International students must provide proof of English language proficiency with an acceptable score on one of the following tests.

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There are a limited number of specific exceptions to this requirement. Contact an admissions outreach advisor for more information.
THE CURRICULUM

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<td>• SBS 54630 Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) in Public Health Practice</td>
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WHAT YOU’LL LEARN

Whether you work in healthcare, social services or public health, the skills and knowledge you will gain from KSU’s online Graduate Certificate in LGBTQ+ Public Health program can help you make a positive impact and position you for career growth. Your coursework will help you develop:

• The cultural competence to effectively engage and interact with diverse, multi-dimensional populations to develop programs and deliver LGBTQ+ health interventions
• Awareness of gaps in contemporary strategies for improving state, county and city government health and welfare services for LGBTQ+ people through understanding how sexual orientation and gender identity intersect with public health issues
• A deep understanding of public health’s unique role in LGBTQ+ health gained from examining multilevel contributors to health disparities and learning evidence-based approaches to advancing health in LGBTQ+ communities

APPLY YOUR KNOWLEDGE IN MANY SETTINGS

Your Graduate Certificate in LGBTQ+ Public Health is an investment in your professional growth and in shaping a healthier, more inclusive future. Leading organizations in these areas will welcome your expertise.

• Research institutions
• Healthcare providers and insurers
• Schools and higher education institutions
• Non-profit organizations
• Government agencies
• Global health organizations