



**University of Tennessee College of Nursing  
Health Policy Graduate Certificate  
Program of Study (effective Summer 2024)**

The College of Nursing in collaboration with the Department of Public Health – College of Education, Health, and Human Sciences and the College of Law offers an interdisciplinary graduate certificate program in Health Policy. Concurrently enrolled University of Tennessee graduate students from all disciplines and community members with a master’s degree or higher with an interest in issues related to health and health care are eligible to apply to the graduate certificate program in health policy. The aim of the program is to prepare leaders, practitioners, researchers, and educators from law, nursing, public health, and other disciplines to be active in various policymaking activities. Course experiences will foster the examination and application of current policy research and the development of skills related to policy analysis, research, program evaluation, and advocacy.

The program consists of 12 credit hours shown below.

**Requirements:**

A minimum of four graduate courses are required for the certificate:

- **PUBH 520:** Public Health Policy and Administration, **Law 963:** Health Law Finance and Organization- Choose one (3 credit hours), or another course pre-approved by the Health Policy Certificate Coordinator
- **Elective Course(s):** Selected in consultation with the certificate program coordinator (3 credit hours)
- **NURS 612** – Health and Policy/Planning (3 credit hours)
- **NURS 614** – Preceptorship in Health Policy (3 credit hours)
  - Must be separate and distinct from any concurrent degree requirement

Total credit hours may vary based on the student’s academic record, experiences, and objectives. Students must complete a minimum of 12 credit hours.

Sample Schedule				
Y1	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring
	Elective Course (3)	PUBH520: Health Systems/Policy/Leadership or approved alternative course (3)	N612: Health and Health Care Policy (3)	N614: Nursing Preceptorship (3)
	Total: 3 hours	Total: 3 hours	Total: 3 hours	Total: 3 hours