Graduate Certificates

ACADEMIC CERTIFICATE POLICIES

A graduate certificate program comprises 12 to 21 credits and can be completed either independently or along with a degree program and comprises 12 to 21 credits. Credits earned as a non-degree student may be applied to a graduate certificate. Admission to a certificate program may be required prior to enrollment in specified certificate courses. Students must be admitted to the certificate program in order to be awarded the certificate.

With approval from the certificate program, up to 6 of the required credits for a graduate certificate can be transferred from a different institution or applied from another previous or concurrent WVU degree or certificate. Individual course credits may be applied to no more than two degrees, majors, or certificates. Courses applied to a certificate must have been completed no more than eight years prior to certificate conferral as stated on the Time Limits tab of the Degree Regulations section of this catalog (http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/advisingcoursesdegrees/degree_regulations/#timelimitstext).

See information on Graduate Multiple Curricula on the Academic Definitions tab under the Programs, Courses & Credits section of this catalog (http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/advisingcoursesdegrees/#academicdefinitionstext) for rules concerning the application of credits from a completed certificate to a subsequent WVU degree.