“I have been looking for opportunities to connect with women’s health research investigators since arriving on campus.”

- from women’s health needs assessment

For more information, or to request an application, please contact Deidre Vincevineus at vincevineus@wisc.edu

Program Overview

The Clinical and Community Outcomes Research (CCOR) Certificate addresses a well-documented gap in the continuum spanning basic health and medical research discoveries and the application of those findings in clinical and public health practice.

The CCOR/Women’s Health curriculum is designed to encourage innovative and best practice approaches to improve health, with concentrated scholarship on women’s health and the consideration of sex and gender as variables contributing to health outcomes.

The program aims to train students from diverse disciplines to advance future leaders in women’s health and sex and gender differences research.

The core curriculum provides the framework for investigators to conduct clinical, translational, social-behavioral, or health services research with an understanding of sex and gender specific health outcomes to improve the health of women.

Learning Objectives:

In addition to CCOR program objectives, students will:

1. Examine the integral link between women leaders and the advancement of women’s health.
2. Increase understanding of major theories, approaches, and current outcomes research methodologies integrating sex and gender variables as determinants of women’s health.
3. Broaden conceptual knowledge and use of scientific inquiry to improve the health of women within clinical and community settings by employing best practice approaches to stakeholder engagement.

Program Requirements

The CCOR/Women’s Health curriculum is comprised of one core/introductory course, elective coursework aligned with the program learning goals (including qualitative and quantitative methods courses), a health research seminar and a final project.

The program requirements are flexible. A student may propose qualifying courses for pre-approved elective credit. In addition the program is open to considering prior fully equivalent coursework.

Faculty advisors with extensive research knowledge and experience, work with participants to design an individualized program to meet specific training needs.

Program Advisement

Following admittance to the program, a faculty advisor is assigned to work with the student through completion of the program. An objective of the certificate program is to encourage exploration of a variety of perspectives by matching participants with an advisor outside his/her discipline.

Application Guidelines

Graduate, Professional or Capstone (Special) students from any discipline are eligible to apply for enrollment in the CCOR/Women’s Health Certificate program. To be considered for admission, students will apply to the CCOR Certificate program.

Applications are accepted year-round. Certificate students apply to the program through Continuing Studies if they have no current student relationship with the University. Students in graduate or professional school apply using a form that can be requested at vincevineus@wisc.edu.