

Nonprofit Leadership and Management (Graduate Certificate)

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By pursuing this certificate, you can join a community of driven professionals who are dedicated to making a positive impact on the world and creating lasting change.

Program description

Degree awarded: Certificate Nonprofit Leadership and Management (certificate)

The graduate certificate program in nonprofit leadership and management provides students with an understanding of the nonprofit sector's role in society, as well as the skills necessary to lead and make a positive impact in nonprofit work.

Students with diverse academic backgrounds are exposed to knowledge needed by leaders in the nonprofit sector, including understanding of the historical and philosophical context for nonprofit organizations in society, the theory and practice of philanthropy, financial management practices and other topical content areas.

The certificate is ideal when combined with graduate degree programs in other areas and when used to provide a core focus in nonprofit leadership and management.

At a glance

- **College/School:** [Watts College of Public Service & Community Solut](#)
- **Location:** [Downtown Phoenix](#) or [Online](#)

Degree requirements

15 credit hours

Required Core (9 credit hours)

NLM 510 The Nonprofit Sector (3)

NLM 520 Financial and Resource Management (3)

NLM 540 Strategic Human Resources Management (3) or NLM 545 Volunteer Resource Management (3)

Electives (6 credit hours)**Additional Curriculum Information**

Students select either NLM 540 or NLM 545 as part of the required core coursework.

Admission requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree in any field from a regionally accredited institution.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. resume
4. proof of English proficiency

Additional Application Information

An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency regardless of their current residency.

International applicants are also required to submit TOEFL or IELTS scores and a financial guarantee statement.

The program is available to students who are pursuing their graduate degree in a chosen field of study and who have expressed interest in pursuing careers in the nonprofit sector. In addition, the program is well-suited for working professionals who may be pursuing a graduate degree but who wish to strengthen their skills and connections in the nonprofit community and who have one to three years of nonprofit professional experience.

Applicants should see the Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions website for more information.

Tuition information

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

Attend online

ASU Online

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may [view the program's ASU Online page](#) for program descriptions and to request more information.

Application deadlines

Fall

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Program learning outcomes

Program learning outcomes identify what a student will learn or be able to do upon completion of their program. This program has the following program outcomes:

- Evaluate the financial health of nonprofit organizations.
- Demonstrate an understanding of critical dimensions of the nonprofit sector through discussion, readings, individual research and writing.

Career opportunities

Graduates of this program have built expertise in nonprofit leadership and management. Career opportunities include:

- administrative officers
- community services officers
- executive officers
- financial officers
- foundation officers

Contact information

