

Graduate Certificate in Positive Psychology

This Graduate Certificate in Positive Psychology from the Department of Educational, School, and Counseling Psychology (ESCP) is designed for individuals seeking a program that emphasizes applied interventions and theory in building thriving individuals, families, communities and organizations. Combining 21st century psychology and several ancient philosophies, contemporary positive psychology is focused on advancement of individuals and their collective well-being.

The program will provide you with a thorough understanding of the science of well-being and flourishing that will allow you to be more effective in your professional and personal life. Individuals may use this graduate certificate for personal enrichment or to increase their professional marketability across many career paths such as life/career coaching, teaching, managing, and organizational consulting.

Note: This graduate certificate does not provide counselor certification.

Certificate web site: Positive Psychology Graduate Certificate (<https://online.missouri.edu/degrees-programs/mu/education/positive-psychology/grad-cert/>)

Requirements

An online graduate certificate program requiring 15 credit hours to complete.

Core Course

ESC_PS 7200	Positive Psychology	3
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Electives (Select twelve hours from the list below.)

ESC_PS 7087	Seminar in Educational, School, and Counseling Psychology (Creativity and Innovation: Scientific Foundations & Everyday Applications)	3
ESC_PS 8200	Applied Positive Psychology	3
ESC_PS 8700	Life/Career Coaching and Development	3
ESC_PS 8710	Meaning In Work	3
ESC_PS 8720	Community and Stewardship	3
ESC_PS 8730	Positive Organizational Psychology	3

How To Apply

Certificate program admission requirements will be the same as those for the Graduate School.

- Grade point average of B or better in the last 60 hours of undergraduate education for applicants with less than a master's degree.
- Submit the Graduate School online application (<https://applygrad.missouri.edu/apply/>).
- Upload unofficial transcripts when using the Graduate School online application system.
- Statement of interest: Briefly describe how this program will benefit your career aspirations and help you act upon your personal beliefs, goals, and philosophy. (Maximum of 500 words)
- Two letters of recommendation.
- Résumé or curriculum vitae.
- GRE scores are NOT required.

Application Deadline

None. Rolling admission.

Financial Aid

To receive financial aid, students must be admitted to the graduate certificate program. Financial aid is generally available to eligible students who are fully accepted into the program and who carry a course load of at least four credit hours per semester.

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