



University of Illinois at Springfield Environmental Risk Assessment Certificate

Program Description

Risk assessment is a frequently used tool in environmental analysis. This certificate is for students who wish to acquire a level of competency in this science. The sequence of course work is technically oriented to provide students with the professional education necessary to perform introductory level risk assessment in their workplaces. Students learn to relate risk assessment methodologies, procedures, and results to environmental health policies.



Admission Requirements

The program requires formal application for admission to the University of Illinois at Springfield (accompanied by official transcripts) followed by review of the application by faculty of the Department of Public Health. The department faculty will provide academic advising to certificate students.

Individuals who have bachelor's degrees from accredited colleges and universities are eligible to apply to the certificate programs. A background in biological sciences demonstrated by transcript credit of at least three semester hours is required, along with a strong science background desirable. Admission will be based on a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0- point scale, or a 2.75 or better with documentation of substantial professional experience in the field of the certificate.

Individuals wanting to apply the certificate work to a graduate degree in public health must also meet all entrance requirements for degree study. In addition, they must formally apply for admission to the graduate degree.

Degree Requirements

To receive a certificate, students must take three core courses and complete the risk assessment practicum, for a total of 16 credit hours.

MPH 527: Environmental Risk Assessment (4)

MPH 528: Risk Assessment: Air, Land, and Water (4)

MPH 529: Risk Assessment Practicum (4)

MPH 575: Health Economics (4)

Students must take MPH 527, MPH 528, and MPH 529 in sequence. Students may want to continue with the additional risk/decision theory course MPH 526.

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