

Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management and Leadership

The mission of the Certificate in Nonprofit Management and Leadership is to “prepare competent professional leaders for nonprofit organizations”. The program:

- prepares students for professional staff positions in nonprofit agencies.
- provides current nonprofit professionals with knowledge and skills to advance their careers.

Competency Based Curriculum

Professional Development Competencies

- Communication, Marketing and Public Relations
- Cultural Competency and Diversity
- Financial Resource Development and Management
- Foundations and Management of the Nonprofit Sector
- Future of the Nonprofit Sector
- Governance, Leadership and Advocacy
- Legal and Ethical Decision Making
- Personal and Professional Development
- Program Development
- Volunteer and Human Resource Management

Certification Requirements

Required Courses (Choose 4 of 5 + one elective & capstone project) – 18 credits

Intro to the Nonprofit Sector Governance & Executive Leadership	3 credits
Strategic Revenue Development	3 credits
Public Policy, Advocacy & Social Change	3 credits
Volunteer Management: As a Human Resource	3 credits
An elective	3 credits
Capstone Project	3 credits
➤ Alliance Management Institute	
➤ Baccalaureate degree is required to receive certification through Nonprofit Leadership Alliance and to enroll in graduate level courses.	

Student Association-participation is required

The Nonprofit Leadership Alliance Student Association (NLASA) is a professional student membership group that provides opportunities to apply the 10 NLA competencies through hands-on practical experiences such as: developing leadership skills, delivering community service projects, and participating in professional networking opportunities.

Alliance Management Institute (optional)

The Institute challenges students to meet national standards of nonprofit management through simulation exercises, workshops, and lectures. Student directed fundraising events help to underwrite these expenses.

Capstone Project offers each student the opportunity to demonstrate mastery of the theory and practice of public administration by applying the knowledge and skills gained in the Certificate program to a project of the student’s choice with the approval of the instructor. This involves completing a project report reflecting the cumulative knowledge gained from the students’ educational experiences in their program of studies.

The UDC Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management & Leadership is affiliated with the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance - a national alliance whose mission is to “strengthen the social sector with a talented, prepared workforce” (“Nonprofit Leadership Alliance” n.d.).

National Nonprofit Partners

“The Nonprofit Leadership Alliance partners with some of the country’s largest and best known nonprofit organizations. Through their network, the Alliance connects National Nonprofit Partner organizations and their local affiliates with more than 10,000 qualified students and CNPs who are ready to work as interns and employees” (“Nonprofit Leadership Alliance” n.d.).

National Partners

- Boy Scouts of America
- Boys & Girls Clubs of America
- Camp Adventure Youth and Child Services
- Camp Fire
- Catholic Charities USA
- DCINTERNSHIPS
- Fair Trade Campaigns
- Feeding America
- Girls Inc.
- Girl Scouts USA
- Make-A-Wish
- The National Human Services Assembly
- Volunteers of America
- YMCA of USA



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Graduate Certificate Admissions Requirements*

A baccalaureate degree conferred by
an accredited institution

A minimum of 2.5 grade point
average on a scale of 4.0

Two letters of recommendation

A statement of academic and
professional goals, research
interests, and motivation

*Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or
Graduate Management Admission Test
(GMAT) are not required for acceptance to
the Certificate program. Up to 9 credits may
be applied to the Master's in Public
Administration (MPA) unless all requirements
are met before the fourth course is begun. If
the student has met these requirements, then
all 18 credits can be applied to the MPA.
If a student decides to enroll in the MPA
program, the GRE is required.

UDC's tuition and fees:

http://www.udc.edu/admissions/tuition_fee_schedule

Nonprofit Leadership Alliance Certified
Nonprofit Professional (CNP)

<http://www.nonprofitleadershipalliance.org/payment.html>

Enrollment fee: \$35

Certification fee: \$35

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