Online Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Innovation

“Our healthcare advancements throughout history are a result of creative and inquisitive minds to bring forth new innovations to meet a current or emerging care quality need.”

~ Dr. Tiffany Kelley PhD MBA RN, Healthcare Innovation Certificate Program Director

This certificate offers a competitive edge for individuals interested in transforming healthcare through innovation for improved delivery of quality care.

This program includes a 12 credit (4 course) online program designed to meet the educational needs of:

• Healthcare professionals (i.e., nurses, medical doctors, pharmacists, dentists, allied health, and others) interested in improving the care environments where they serve (will serve) as leaders.

• Healthcare professionals and non-healthcare professionals interested in learning how to better solve problems in healthcare environments.

• Non-healthcare professionals (e.g., business, engineering, computer science, fine arts) seeking to understand innovation in the context of the healthcare industry.

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<td>NURS 5111 - Healthcare Innovation Theory and Application (3-Credits)</td>
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<td>NURS 513 - Developing &amp; Leading a Sustainable Culture of Innovation (3-Credits)</td>
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<td>NURS 5112 - Healthcare Opportunities for System Level Solutions</td>
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The Healthcare Innovation Online Graduate Certificate emphasizes:

- Foundational innovation theories to explain current and future healthcare innovations and entrepreneurial opportunities.
- How to define and differentiate evidence-based innovation from evidence-based practice.
- How to identify opportunities to innovate beyond workarounds for scalable impact.
- The importance of leading a culture of innovation in partnership with developing innovators.
- How to foster an idea through the innovation process as part of the capstone project.

Course Highlights

A foundational theoretical framework:
One of the program’s focuses is to teach you to be able to analyze leading innovation theories and apply the core principles toward the healthcare industry.

Flexible, collaborative online platform:
All four courses are taught online. They are structured around modules and weekly topics. Our online platform enables you to work at your own pace and on your own time, at home or at the office.

Diverse student population:
The Healthcare Innovation Online Certificate Program was designed to be inclusive of all healthcare professions and those with an interest in healthcare innovation.

Certificate credentials are UConn credentials:
Just like every undergraduate and graduate degree our students earn, every online graduate certificate we award bears the signature of the University of Connecticut.

Who Should Apply?

- Registered Nurses interested in improving the care environments where they serve (or will serve) as leaders.
- Registered Nurses interested in learning how to innovate in their care environments.
- Healthcare professionals like doctors, pharmacists, dentists, physical therapists, and allied health professionals interested in improving and solving problems affecting their practice and/or discipline.
- Non-healthcare professionals in engineering, business, or fine arts seeking to understand innovation and entrepreneurship in the healthcare environment.
- Members and followers of SONSIEL—Society of Nurse Scientists, Innovators, Entrepreneurs & Leaders— or various nurse hackathons
- Nursepreneurs and your everyday unsung heroes of healthcare innovation!

Faculty

Tiffany Kelley
Associate Professor - Visiting Professor for Innovations and New Knowledge

Admissions

To apply for admission to the Healthcare Innovation Certificate program, complete the application process. Applicants must have completed a Baccalaureate degree (or currently be enrolled in one) or higher from a regionally accredited college or university. Please visit https://healthcareinnovation.online.uconn.edu/how-to-apply/ to review dates and deadlines, and start your application.

Take an Individual Course

Students with a Bachelor’s degree or higher can take UConn’s online Healthcare Innovation courses as “non-degree” students. The “non-degree” designation allows students to take courses for credit without being formally admitted to the University. A maximum of 6 credits (two courses) can be taken as a “non-degree” student. If you decide to matriculate into the master’s program in the future, course credits are transferable if you receive a “B-” or better.

For more information, contact Donna Campbell at Donna.Campbell@UConn.edu or by phone at 860-486-0184.

Program Fees

Students in the Healthcare Innovation Online Graduate Certificate pay a comprehensive fee of $825 per credit or $2,475 for a 3-credit course. Please check the website at healthcareinnovation.online.uconn.edu/program-fees/ for updates.