



Appendix B:

Graduate Certificate & Microcredential Requirements at Other Universities

U of Washington (Quarters)

grad.uw.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/New-Graduate-Certificate-Program-Proposal-Guidelines.pdf

- **Minimum Quarter Credit Equivalent: 15**
- *A graduate certificate program must consist of a linked series of credit-bearing graduate courses. Requirements for a graduate certificate program include a **minimum of fifteen student credit hours**, nine of which must be earned in courses numbered 500 and above.*
- *The overlap of coursework applied toward both a certificate program and a graduate degree program must not exceed 6 credits and is limited to elective coursework in each program.*

University of Michigan (Semesters)

rackham.umich.edu/navigating-your-degree/certificate-program-information/

- **Minimum Quarter Credit Equivalent: 13.5**
- *To earn a certificate, a student must complete a minimum of **nine credit hours of coursework** plus an experience related to the goals of the certificate that is defined and approved by the certificate faculty. This additional work may take the form of non-credit experiential activity equivalent to at least a three-credit hour course (such as an internship, practicum, research, professional project, or similar experience) or, alternatively, additional coursework of at least three credit hours to a maximum of 19 credits.*

Berkeley (Semesters)

grad.berkeley.edu/program-proposals/proposing-certificate/certificate-option-format/

- **Minimum Quarter Credit Equivalent: 9**
- *A program of study must consist of a minimum of **three graduate-level courses** and/or ninety hours of instruction (**equivalent to 6 units**)*

Harvard Extension (Semesters)

extension.harvard.edu/registration-admissions/pursuing-a-certificate/

- **Minimum Quarter Credit Equivalent: 18**
- *Certificates offer concentrated academic pathways—**3 to 5 courses** to complete—for students looking to enhance a specific set of skills or fill a knowledge gap.*

Columbia (Semesters)

- **Minimum Quarter Credit Equivalent: 30**
- *Couldn't find a general policy but lowest requirement found was **5 courses/20 credits***

UT Austin (Semesters)

catalog.utexas.edu/graduate/graduate-study/certificates/#stackablecertificatestext

- **Minimum Quarter Credit Equivalent: 13.5**
- *To earn a stackable graduate certificate, students must complete 9-15 hours of graduate-level coursework*

Stanford (Quarters)

online.stanford.edu/explore?filter%5B0%5D=credentials%3A141&filter%5B1%5D=type%3Aprogram&items_per_page=12&keywords=

- **Minimum Quarter Credit Equivalent: 18**
- Couldn't find a general policy but most specific certificate programs I could find required 4 courses/12 credits

SUNY (Semesters)

www.suny.edu/media/suny/content-assets/documents/academic-affairs/microcredentials/Updated-FAQ---November-2021.pdf

- **Minimum Quarter Credits Equivalent: 13.5**
- *How many credits should a for-credit micro-credential be? A. Micro-credentials are intentionally narrow in focus. To date, micro-credentials across SUNY average 9-12 credits.*

Oregon State University (Quarters)

registrar.oregonstate.edu/microcredentials

- **Minimum Quarter Credits Equivalent: 8**
- *Microcredentials are made up of at least three courses and eight credits. Typically, they are 8-12 credits*