

WELCOME!

Are you interested in earning a certificate with us?

The USC School of Pharmacy is pleased to announce the launch of its new “Certificates in Safety” family of graduate certificate programs. These accredited offerings are designed to develop specialists with an unusually high level of competence in high-demand fields of medical products development. Three certificates are offered.

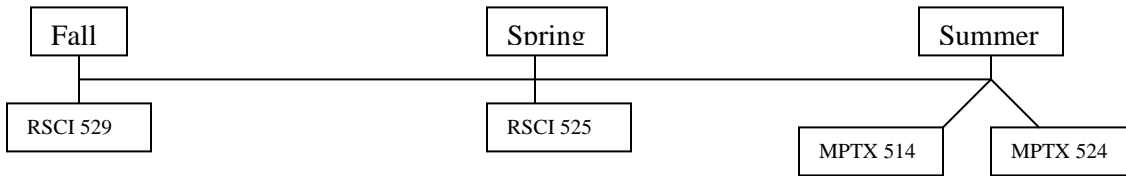
- The Certificate in Clinical Research Design and Management is an idea training program for individuals interested in clinical research, either at a clinical site or in a medical products company.
- The Certificate in Patient and Product Safety prepares risk managers and pharmacovigilance experts for professional careers where medical products and facilities interact with people to create high-risk situations that need to be anticipated and controlled.
- The Certificate in Food Safety meets a growing need for regulatory and safety experts in food and supplement industries.

The program is designed for working professionals who wish to take one or two courses per term in convenient weekend or distance formats. Each program requires the completion of 12 units of study in courses 2-4 units in length. More information on these programs can be obtained from the Regulatory Science program ([regulatory .usc.edu](http://regulatory.usc.edu)) at 323-442-3531, regsci@usc.edu. More information on applying is to come!



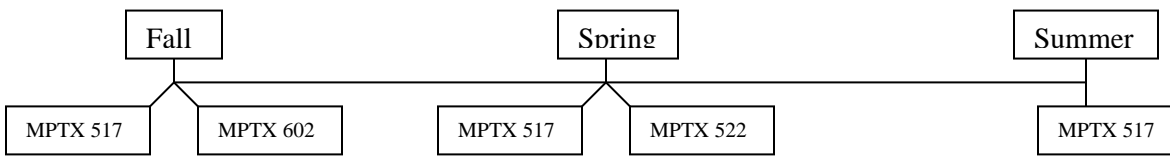
Food Safety Certificate (12 units):

MPTX 514 (3 units): Regulation of Food and Dietary Supplements - Summer
MPTX 524 (3 units): Food Science and Technology - Summer
RSCI 525 (3 units): Introduction to Drug and Food Toxicology - Spring
RSCI 529 (3 units): Application of Risk Management Tools & Techniques - Fall



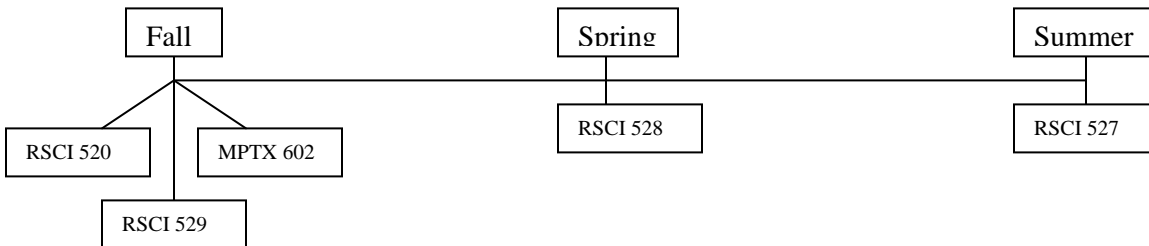
Clinical Research Design and Management Certificate (12 units):

MPTX 517 (4 units): Structure and Management of Clinical Trials – Fall, Spring, Summer
MPTX 522 (3 units): Clinical Design Course - Spring
MPTX 602 (2 units): Science, Research & Ethics - Fall
Choice (3 units)



Patient and Product Safety Certificate (12 units):

RSCI 520 (2 units): Introduction to Risk Management for Health Care Products – Fall
RSCI 527 (3 units): Medical Product Safety – Summer
RSCI 528 (3 units): Safety in Health Care Environment – Spring
RSCI 529 (2 units): Application of Risk Management Tools and Techniques – Fall
MPTX 602 (2 units): Science, Research, & Ethics – Fall



Certificate in Clinical Research Design and Management: The graduate certificate in Clinical Research Design and Management is designed to strengthen the statistical, research and project-management skills of clinical researchers and their associated clinical team members. Students must complete at least 12 units of coursework including at least two courses in clinical design and trial management, one course in ethics and one course in a specialized aspect of design, management or statistics, subject to the approval of the program director. The program will include coursework delivered in nontraditional formats such as intensive weekend sessions and will use distance capabilities to capture and web cast lectures and study materials. Courses can be taken on site, by distance or as a blended combination. Students should confirm their specific coursework plan in consultation with the graduate advisors before beginning the program. Students who have a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university must submit an application for graduate study through the Regulatory Science program of the School of Pharmacy. GRE scores are not required for admission to the certificate program. Students are expected to enroll each semester until the program is completed.

Certificate in Food Safety: The graduate certificate in Food Safety is a 12-unit program of coursework designed to strengthen the knowledge base and functional “toolkit” of individuals who deal with the production and management of food in industry and government. Students are required to take an entry level course that focuses on regulatory requirements for foods and dietary supplements and two additional courses that focus on food science and food/ drug toxicology respectively. A final course will be selected from a small grouping of electives that deal with quality systems or risk management. The program will include coursework delivered in nontraditional formats such as intensive weekend sessions and will use distance capabilities to capture and web cast lectures and study materials. Courses can be taken on site, by distance or as a blended combination. Students should confirm their specific coursework plan in consultation with the graduate advisors before beginning the program. Students who have a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university must submit an application for graduate study through the Regulatory Science program of the School of Pharmacy. GRE scores are not required for admission to the certificate program. Students are expected to enroll each semester until the program is completed.

Certificate in Patient and Product Safety: The graduate certificate in Patient and Product Safety educates students in the emerging field of safety and risk management in the health care environment. It is designed to produce graduates who have a particular expertise in the evaluation and mitigation of medical errors and health-care product problems. Participants in this highly focused program will take an introductory course in the basic principles of risk management, a second course in the use of risk management tools, and two additional courses in patient and product safety respectively. Coursework is typically delivered in nontraditional formats such as intensive weekend sessions and will use distance capabilities to capture and web cast lectures and study materials. Courses can be taken on site, by distance or as a blended combination.

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