## Senior Living Management Certificate Program Description

The senior living industry (e.g., assisted living, independent living, and memory care) employs administrators who have real-world experiences, but may lack specific formal education in business and in the senior living industry. Southwestern Adventist University's Senior Living Management Certificate meets the educational needs of current administrators of senior living facilities or professionals who are interested in transitioning into the senior living industry. Students will gain a foundational understanding of the key areas of business administration as well as how to apply these principles in the successful operation of a senior living facility. Additionally, students will become knowledgeable on topics specifically related to the industry such as federal and state regulations, senior wellness and the long-term care continuum.

The program curriculum, offered entirely online, consists of 4 courses, totaling 12-semester hours of college credit. The certificate does not constitute a college degree, though credits may be transferred to any other accredited college or university and may be applied toward a degree at Southwestern Adventist University. Courses may meet several states' continuing education requirements assisted living managers.

### Admission Requirements

Applicants to the Senior Living Management Certificate must:

- 1. Complete an application for admission into the certificate program.
- 2. Submit official transcripts from all college/universities attended.
- 3. If applicant has NOT earned a college degree (Associate's degree or higher), the applicant must submit one of the following:
  - 1. Official secondary school transcript with a grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.50 (on a 4.00 scale).
  - 2. General Education Development (GED) test average score of 500 with no score below 450. Texas GED 150-159 subject to committee review. 160-200 regular admission.
  - 3. Home school transcript with courses, grades, and dates of completion with a state-issued certificate of secondary school completion if applicable.
  - 4. General Certificate of Secondary Education: must have five (5) passes or more.

## **Certificate Completion**

Certificates will be awarded to students who complete all course requirements. No class with a grade below a C may be applied to certificate completion. Candidates must submit a Certificate Completion contract to the Records Office. A \$25 certificate fee is required at the time the certificate is completed.

#### Cost of the Certificate

Tuition for non-degree seeking students is \$400 per credit hour (or \$1,200 per course) plus a \$50 technology fee. There are currently no scholarships available from the university for non-degree seeking students. All charges

must be covered at the time of registration for each course. Costs for degree-seeking students will follow the normal tuition rate and scholarships may be available.

**Program:** Business Administration

Type: Cert

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# **Certificate Course Requirements**

Item #	Title	Credits
BSLM 201	Legal and Ethical Framework of Senior Living	3
BSLM 202	Quality in Resident Care and Services	3
BSLM 203	Financial and Human Resource Management of Senior Livir Facilities	ng 3
BSLM 204	Senior Living Marketing, Management and Leadership	3
	Sub-Total Credits	12
	Total credits for degree:	12

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