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Transplantation and Donation Sciences

Program Highlights

- Participate in real-life clinical experiences
- 100% job placement upon graduation
- Network with guest lecturers

\$90K

Average starting salary for a procurement transplant coordinator

The Transplantation and Donation Sciences (TaDS) Program at The University of Toledo earns you a master's degree and is the only academic program in the United States that prepares you to oversee the entire organ donation process as a Procurement Transplant Coordinator (PTC).

Program Overview

UToledo's Transplantation and Donation Sciences Program offers two tracks, both within the College of Medicine and Life Sciences:

- Full-time, on-campus track
- Part-time/full-time, online track

The full-time, on-campus track is designed to provide entry-level professional preparation for you to become an organ and tissue donation transplant coordinator. The online track is designed for individuals already working in the field who have an affiliation with an organ procurement organization. PTCs facilitate organ donation from start to finish, serving as a liaison between the donor's family, the coroner or medical examiner, medical staff, the organ procurement organization and the transplant center.

The degree combines basic and medical science classes with professional skills development in areas like business, project management, policy and law. With this background, you'll be prepared for high-level leadership roles in this field.

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Curriculum Overview

Program Coursework

HDSC 5010	Introduction to Organ Transplant Procurement	3
HDSC 5110	Fundamental Concepts and Clinical Practicum I	3
HDSC 5210	Scientific and Clinical Foundations for Human Organ Donation and Transplantation	6
Elective*		3
HDSC 5310	Clinical Aspects of Human Organ and Tissue Procurement	4
HDSC 5120	Clinical Practicum II	2
HDSC 5020	Scholarly Project	3
Elective*		3
Elective*		3
HDSC 5130	Clinical Internship	8
HDSC 5410	Capstone Seminar	2

Total: 40 hours

Admission Requirements

All graduate students must meet our minimum science prerequisites. Visit apply.utoledo.edu for more information.

- Applicants must hold an earned baccalaureate degree (or equivalent) from an accredited college or university and have a minimum, overall GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Submission of online University of Toledo Graduate School Application, including a resume and personal statement essay.
- Three letters of recommendation (using The University of Toledo forms is optional).
- A minimum of two semesters of coursework in the biological sciences, a minimum of two semesters of coursework in chemistry, and one semester of college algebra or higher, all with grade B or better.
- Pass a medical terminology proficiency examination. Candidates who are unable to pass the medical terminology proficiency examination will be required to participate in a self-study program and pass a re-test.
- TOEFL is required for international students.
- Official transcripts are required from all undergraduate institutions attended.
- Interview, if requested.
- Payment of graduate school application fee.
- Although not required, shadowing an organ procurement coordinator is highly recommended.
- Persons who are currently practicing professionals in the field of donation and transplantation are also eligible to apply in this program and complete the curriculum entirely online through the distance learning track. All other applicants who meet the above entrance requirements are eligible for the on-campus track.

The full-time, on-campus track follows a three-semester schedule beginning fall semester each year.

