Administrator-in-Training (AIT)
Practicum Overview

Historically it has been the responsibility of the student to locate and secure an appropriate practicum placement. However, The Department of Public Health Science is currently compiling a list of suggestions and contact information to provide to practicum students.

The administrator of the nursing home or long term care facility that is chosen by the student must be approved by The Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) to be a preceptor, or meet the requirements to apply for this status. Preceptors are required to have been a full-time licensed administrator for 3 of the past 5 years and have a preceptor approval number from KDADS.

AIT students are typically not paid, and WSU does not facilitate this process. If an agency is willing to pay the student for his or her time, that is to be determined and agreed upon by the student and the agency providing the training.

**Prerequisites**
(Students may fulfill the last 3 credit hours of prerequisite coursework in conjunction with their practicum)

- One course in either Gerontology or Aging Studies
- One course in either Finance or Accounting
- One course in either Management or Leadership

**Admission**

- Secure a practicum placement with agency (WSU can aid the student in finding a preceptor)
- Graduate students may apply to the graduate school as a “category A”
- Non-WSU students may apply as an “undergraduate guest”