WSU is pleased to announce a NEW professional development opportunity for practicing professionals, The WSU Badge Program.

What is a badge?
At Wichita State University, badges are credit courses that appear on a transcript indicating that academic work was successfully completed in a short course for less than a full credit hour.

How will I be awarded a badge?
Upon successful completion, badge credits will be awarded as “badged” or “BG” credit on a transcript. Plans are under way for the development of an electronic badge that you can link to your electronic resume or professional record on sites such as LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter. These digital badges will indicate what the badge demonstrates, as well as where, when, and what you had to do to earn the badge.

Can I fail a badge course?
You can only earn a badge if you successfully complete all the coursework. If you do not complete all of the requirements for the badge, your transcript will indicate you did not complete it with the notation “no badge” or “NBG.” Whether you earn a badge or not, your GPA will not be affected.

How many credit hours will I earn for a badge course?
Badges will typically be awarded in 0.5 credit hours per badge. Check individual badge details to see how many credit hours a badge is worth.

Are badge courses offered online?
Badge courses may be offered in a traditional classroom setting or online. It depends on the course. Please contact the Office for Workforce, Professional & Community Education (WPCE) at 316-978-6487 for specific information.

Can badge credits be applied toward an undergraduate degree?
In some cases, some of the badge credits may be applied towards requirements for a degree. Contact the Office of WPCE at 316-978-6487 for more information.
Frequently Asked Questions continued...

Can I get financial aid to pay for a badge course?
If you are a degree-seeking student and you are taking a badge course, you can apply for financial aid and you may qualify. Non-degree students may not apply for financial aid for badge courses. Contact the Office of Financial Aid at finaid@wichita.edu or 316-978-3430 for more information.

Can I request a badge for a course I am already enrolled in?
Only courses specifically created as a badge course can award badge or “BG” credit on a transcript.

How much does a badge course cost?
Depending on the course, costs may vary. Please contact the Office of WPCE at 316-978-6487 for specific information.

Can I get a refund?
Please see the University’s Refund Policy at webs.wichita.edu/?u=tuitionfees&p=/2016/policies/ for more information.

How do I enroll in a badge course?
Visit www.wichita.edu/badges or contact the Office of WPCE for assistance. If you are a degree-seeking student, contact your advisor for assistance and to ensure the badge course you are enrolling in will count toward your degree.

Can badge credits be applied to a graduate degree at Wichita State University?
If approved by your advisor and on your plan of study, the badge hours can count toward your degree. Please note that there is a limit for badge coursework that can count toward a graduate degree. At the time of completion, all coursework on the plan of study must be more than six years old, or it cannot be used.

How do I order a transcript?
Go to www.wichita.edu/transcripts for information on how to order your transcript.

I’ve lost or cannot remember my myWSU ID. What do I do?
You can come to campus and show your ID to someone in the Registrar’s Office in Jardine Hall to get your myWSU ID. If you are unable to come to campus, visit http://wsuaccess.wichita.edu to fill out an online form that we will use to verify your identity. You will receive an email with your myWSU ID.

Grading Scale: Badge/No Badge

Evaluation: 100% completion of badge criteria

To enroll, visit: www.wichita.edu/badges

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