

HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT (Online)

Master of Science (MS)

This is a guide based on the 2024-2025 Graduate Bulletin and is subject to change. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on factors such as dual enrollment, remediation, and summer enrollment. Students meet with an academic advisor each semester and use Degree Works to monitor their progress.

CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

30 Hours Required

Core Requirements:

- ___ BA600 Organizational Behavior in Practice (3)
- ___ BA620 Quantitative & Qualitative Research Methods (3)
- ___ BA656 Applied Human Resource Management (3)
- ___ EC585 Healthcare Economics (3)
- ___ HA681 Health Administration Policy (3)

Choose 3 hours:

- ___ HA657 Applied Research Project in Healthcare (3)
- ___ HA658 Internship in Healthcare (3)

Choose one with advice of program coordinator:

- ___ GR698 Master's Final Comprehensive Examination (0)
- ___ GR699 Master's Oral Examination (0)

Choose One of the Following Options:

ADMINISTRATION

Choose 12 hours:

- ___ HA510 Healthcare Performance Improvement (3)
- ___ HA555 Fundamentals of Medical Practice Management (3)
- ___ HA556 Topics in Healthcare Administration
- ___ HA557 Healthcare Law & Regulatory Compliance (3)
- ___ HA582 Healthcare Budgeting and Reimbursement (3)
- ___ HA586 Healthcare Strategy & Marketing (3)

INFORMATICS

- ___ BA630 Integrated Decision Information Systems (3)
- ___ HA520 Healthcare Quality & Value (3)
- ___ HA540 Healthcare Informatics (3)
- ___ HA545 Healthcare Database Systems (3)

ACCELERATED MASTERS' DEGREE PROGRAM

The accelerated Master of Science in Healthcare Management degree program allows **undergraduate** students to take up to 12 hours of classes in their senior year to count for both undergraduate credit and graduate credit.

Hours taken for a graduate certificate may also be applied to the MS in Healthcare Management.

Program Requirements:

- / Junior standing with at least 75 credit hours completed
- / Maximum of 12 credit hours, not to exceed 6 credit hours per semester, (500 level courses)
- / Minimum grade point average of 3.25
- / Submit formal application

Admission Requirements

In addition to the criteria established for general admission to graduate studies, there are departmental criteria. Applicants are eligible for admission if they qualify under one of the following scenarios:

- Bachelor's degree* with a GPA of ≥ 3.0 .
- Graduate degree*
- Bachelor's degree* with a GPA of 2.5 to 2.99
 - Regular Admission with documentation** of one of the following:
 - 5 years of managerial work experience.
 - an active healthcare provider license.
 - recognized professional certification.
 - Probationary Admission otherwise. They will need to complete the first 9 graduate credit hours with grades of B or better.
- Individuals with a Bachelor's degree* GPA under 2.5 may be considered for Probationary Admission with additional documentation** demonstrating the applicant's preparation for graduate school.

*Degrees earned from a U.S.A. regionally accredited institution or foreign equivalent.

**Decisions about admission based upon the evaluation of a resume, a healthcare provider license, professional certification, or additional documentation would be made at the discretion of the Director – Graduate Business Studies. The healthcare provider license should be something like nursing, pharmacist, etc. that has recognized standards and requires continuing education. Examples of professional certification include PMI Project Management, Six Sigma Green Belt, SHRM Certified Professional, Charter Financial Analyst, Certified Financial Planner, Certified Scrum Master, etc.

Students without an undergraduate degree in business may need to document experience in or demonstrate proficiency in the required foundation coursework* prior to taking courses for which there are prerequisites. The foundation knowledge/coursework includes the following:

- MG 301 Principles of Management
- QM 257 Business Analytics I or BA 601 Graduate Business Statistics Essentials
- The Informatics option also requires MI 375 Management Information Systems or BA 605 Graduate Business Information Systems Essentials

Students must earn a sufficient grade in all of the above classes. ["CR" for Graduate Business Essentials courses. "C" or better for other courses listed.]

*Proficiency in these areas may be demonstrated through any of the following alternatives:

1. Completion of BA601 and/or BA605 Business Essentials coursework.
2. A CLEP or DANTES exam if available. Credit will not be given for these courses with a passing grade on the exam, but a passing score will indicate proof of course knowledge.
3. Applied knowledge of a given domain in the work environment. Three or more years of managerial work experience with significant level of responsibility may be accepted towards MG 301. The extent to which relevant work experience demonstrates proficiency will be determined by the program director. Applicants who would like their work experience to be considered must submit a detailed current resume with their application.



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