

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION (M.S.)

Purpose

The Master of Science in Healthcare Administration program prepares students who are pursuing management careers in any of the various healthcare organizations or supporting health entities. The program is designed for students to be effective, ethical managers and administrators in the field. Students will learn how to be successful in the healthcare organization, manage operations and personnel, ensure quality, and maintain compliance with laws that affect healthcare providers, administrators, and organizations. Coursework will encourage intense research, review of best practices, and application of new knowledge to challenge student learning focused on organizational value creation, planning strategically, employing high-performance business management techniques, and utilizing financial models and principles to make evidence-based decisions within the context of the modern healthcare environment.

Program Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- Provide solutions that align with a biblical worldview to problems associated with cost, access, and quality of care.
- Evaluate environmental factors impacting the management of healthcare organizations.
- Design strategic planning initiatives that incorporate financial analysis, human capital management, operational improvement, marketing, and legal/regulatory compliance based upon knowledge of current literature and industry best practices.

Program Specific Admissions Requirements

In addition to the general admission requirements, admission to candidacy in the *M.S. in Healthcare Administration* program requires:

1. Earned baccalaureate degree or its equivalent from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (e.g., SACSCOC, TRACS, ABHE, etc.)
2. An undergraduate cumulative GPA of 3.00 or above (on a 4.00 scale)
3. TOEFL (if applicable)

Students who do not meet the minimum GPA requirement may be admitted on Academic Caution status. Students who have less than an undergraduate 2.5 GPA will not be admitted to the program.

Dual Degree

To view the degree completion plans for the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) and Master of Science in Healthcare Administration (MS) dual degree program, please see the School of Nursing section in this catalog.

Programs of Study Delivery Format: Online Only

- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - 42-hour
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Accounting
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Finance
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Healthcare Law & Compliance
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Human Resources
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Leadership
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Marketing
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Non-Profit Management
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Project Management
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Public Administration
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Public Relations
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Strategic Management
- Healthcare Administration (M.S.) - Supply Chain Management & Logistics

Career Opportunities

- Healthcare Administrator
- Accounts Payable/Receivable Manager
- Claims Representative
- Risk and Insurance Consultant
- Clinical Director
- Medical Services Manager
- Mental Health Program Manager
- Nurse Manager
- Community Healthcare Worker
- General and Operational Healthcare Manager