

HEALTH SCIENCES (D.H.SC.) - LEADERSHIP & POLICY

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Code	Title	Hours
Health Sciences Core Courses		
HSCI 701	Theories and Methods of Health Science Research	3
HSCI 702	Health Sciences Scholarship and Literature	3
HSCI 703	Quantitative Research Methods and Statistics I	3
HSCI 704	Research Mentorship	1
HSCI 705	Ethical Issues in Health Science	3
HSCI 710	Healthcare Delivery Systems	3
HSCI 735	Evidence Based Practices in Health Sciences	3
HSCI 815	Qualitative Research Methods and Analysis	3
HSCI 850	Dissertation Mentorship	2
Total Hours		24

Code	Title	Hours
Leadership & Policy Courses		
HSCI 715	Cultural Competency in Health Sciences	3
HSCI 720	Principles and Theories of Teaching in the Health Professions	3
HSCI 725	Leadership in Professional Practice	3
HSCI 730	Risk Management in Health Sciences	3
HSCI 745	Health Policy	3
Total Hours		15

Code	Title	Hours
Applied Research & Experience Courses ^{1,2}		
HSCI 798	Practicum and Applied Doctoral Research Preparation	3
HSCI 898	Practicum	3
HSCI 888	Applied Doctoral Research Project I	5
HSCI 889	Applied Doctoral Research Project II ³	5
HSCI 890	Applied Doctoral Research Project III ³	5
Total Hours		21

¹ Applied Research & Experience courses may not be fulfilled with transfer credit or course substitution.

² Once the student enters the Applied Research & Experience phase, they must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed.

³ Students must maintain enrollment in HSCI 889 (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until deemed ready for enrollment in HSCI 890.

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 60 hours
- A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No grades lower than B- may be applied to the degree
- Degree must be completed within 7 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Online Format Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
HSCI 705	Ethical Issues in Health Science	3
HSCI 710	Healthcare Delivery Systems	3
HSCI 715	Cultural Competency in Health Sciences	3
Hours		9

Second Semester		
HSCI 720	Principles and Theories of Teaching in the Health Professions	3
HSCI 725	Leadership in Professional Practice	3
HSCI 735	Evidence Based Practices in Health Sciences	3
Hours		9

Second Year		
First Semester		
HSCI 730	Risk Management in Health Sciences	3
HSCI 810	Advanced Literature Review	3
HSCI 798	Practicum and Applied Doctoral Research Preparation ¹	3
Hours		9

Second Semester		
HSCI 898	Practicum ¹	3
HSCI 815	Qualitative Research Methods and Analysis	3
Elective ²		3
Hours		9

Third Year		
First Semester		
HSCI 820	Quantitative Research Methods and Statistics II	3
HSCI 888	Applied Doctoral Research Project I ¹	5
Hours		8

Second Semester		
HSCI 889	Applied Doctoral Research Project II ^{1,3}	5
Elective ²		3
Hours		8

Fourth Year		
First Semester		
HSCI 890	Applied Doctoral Research Project III ^{1,3}	5

Course	Title	Hours
Elective ²		3
	Hours	8
	Total Hours	60

¹ Once the student enters the Applied Research & Experience phase, they must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed.

² Choose a total of 9 credit hours from the following courses: Any 700-900 level course not already required by the degree.

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