

HEALTH SCIENCES, B.S. TO HEALTH ADMINISTRATION, M.H.A. ACCELERATED PROGRAM

Saint Louis University's accelerated Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences to Master of Health Administration (M.H.A.) pathway is designed for motivated students who are interested in leadership, management, and making an impact in the health care system.

The Health Sciences curriculum offers a flexible and customizable foundation that allows you to explore your interests while building a strong understanding of health care systems, population health, and the factors that influence patient outcomes. Through a combination of core coursework and electives, you can tailor your academic experience to align with your career goals while preparing for graduate study.

This accelerated pathway gives you the opportunity to begin M.H.A. coursework during your senior year, allowing you to save time and reduce the overall cost of earning your graduate degree. You will develop the knowledge and skills needed for careers in health care administration, leadership, and organizational management.

Graduates of this pathway are prepared for roles in hospitals, health systems, and community organizations, including positions in operations management, health care consulting, quality improvement, patient experience, and health services coordination. The program also provides a strong foundation for leadership development and long-term career advancement in the evolving health care landscape.

Students apply to the accelerated program during their junior year. If accepted, you will begin taking graduate-level courses in your senior year while maintaining undergraduate status, financial aid, and tuition rates. After completing your bachelor's degree, you will transition to full graduate status, pay graduate tuition, and become eligible for graduate assistantship opportunities.

For additional information, see the catalog entries for the following programs:

Health Sciences, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/health-sciences-bs/>)

Health Administration, M.H.A. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/public-health-social-justice/graduate-programs/health-administration-mha/>)

Accreditation

The Master of Health Administration is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education.

Requirements

Admission Requirements

Eligibility requirements for SLU's include:

- Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.40.
- Students must be in good academic and disciplinary standing with Saint Louis University and the Doisy College of Health Sciences.

- Students must be in their fifth semester of collegiate study on the health information management concentration to the M.H.A. accelerated track and apply to the SLU M.H.A. program.
- Students must be eligible to complete the accelerated curriculum with no more than 15 credits during each semester during year four of the program.
- After completing 75 credits, students will apply for SLU's M.H.A. program. If admitted, these students will begin their M.H.A. program in their fourth year.

Program Requirements

- After successfully completing the first year of the M.H.A. coursework, the student will be awarded the B.S. in Health Sciences with the Health Information Management concentration and continue in the M.H.A. program.
- Students can count up to 30 credits of M.H.A. coursework towards the B.S. requirements.

Please note that the SLU M.H.A. program is competitive. Enrollment in the accelerated health information management to M.H.A. 3+2 track does not guarantee admission to the SLU M.H.A. program.

Roadmap

This roadmap is just one example of a semester-by-semester plan of study for this program. There are other plans students can and do take. The plan of study for each particular student is established in consultation with each student's academic advisor; *this roadmap does not replace academic advising appointments.*

Roadmap notes:

- This Roadmap assumes full-time enrollment unless otherwise noted.
- Courses/Milestones marked with an "!" are critical and must be completed in the semester listed in the Roadmap to ensure a timely graduation.
- Course availability and sequencing are subject to change.

Course	Title	Credits
Year One		
Fall		
CORE 1000	Ignite First Year Seminar	2
MATH 1200	College Algebra	3
HSCI 1000	Introduction to Health Sciences	1
BIOL 1240 & BIOL 1245	General Biology: Information Flow and Evolution and Principles of Biology I Laboratory	4
University Elective		3
		Credits
		13
Spring		
CORE 1600	Ultimate Questions: Theology	3
BIOL 1260 & BIOL 1265 or CHEM 1080 and CHEM 1085	General Biology: Transformations of Energy and Matter or Principles of Chemistry 1 Lecture and Principles of Chemistry 1 Lab	4
STAT 1300	Elementary Statistics with Computers	3
CORE 1900	Eloquentia Perfecta 1: Written and Visual Communication	3

University Elective		3
Credits		16
Year Two		
Fall		
HSCI 2000	The US Health Care System	3
HSCI 2200	Medical Terminology	3
HIM 3000	Introduction to Health Information Concepts and Practice	3
CMM 1200	Public Speaking	3
CORE 1700	Ultimate Questions: Philosophy	3
Credits		15
Spring		
HSCI 2100	Health Care Management	3
HSCI 2400	Professional Development Seminar	1
CORE 2800	Eloquentia Perfecta 3: Creative Expression	2-3
HSCI Elective	Health Sciences Major Electives	6
CORE	Equity and Global Identities: Identities in Context	3
Credits		15-16
Year Three		
Fall		
HIM 3200	Health Data Management	3
HSCI 3700	Research Methods	3
HSCI Elective	Health Sciences Major Elective	3
CORE 3600	Ways of Thinking: Social and Behavioral Sciences	3
HSCI 4100	Healthcare Technology and Informatics	3
Credits		15
Spring		
HSCI 3910	Internship	1-3
HSCI Elective	Health Sciences Major Electives	6
CORE 3400	Ways of Thinking: Aesthetics, History, and Culture	3
CORE 3500	Cura Personalis 3: Self in the World	1
HSCI 4500	Hot Topics in Health Care	3
Credits		14-16
Total Credits		88-91

Health Administration, M.H.A.

Course	Title	Credits
Year One		
Fall		
HMP 5000	Health Care Organization	3
HMP 5030	Introduction to Health Care Accounting	3
HMP 5300	Management of Health Care Organizations	3
HMP 5190	Analytical Methods for Health Management	3
HMP 5901	Health Administration Professional Development I	1
Credits		13
Spring		
HMP 5200	Health Economics	3
HMP 5500	Health Policy	3

HMP 5110	Health Operations Management	3
HMP 5700	Health Care Financial Management	3
HMP 5902	Health Administration Professional Development II	1
HMP 5090	Case Based Integration Seminar (! Includes Y1 Preliminary Exam)	2
Credits		15
Summer		
HMP 5910	HMP Internship	1
Credits		1
Year Two		
Fall		
HMP 5130	Health Information Systems	3
HMP 5390	Ethical Leadership in Health Management and Policy	3
HMP 5400	Legal Aspects of Health Services Management	3
HMP 5903	Health Administration Professional Development III	1
! Required Quality Elective		3
! Elective		3
Credits		16
Spring		
HMP 5725	Health Insurance and Managed Care	3
HMP 5710	Financial Aspects of Health Care	3
HMP 5800	Strategic Management in Health Care Organizations	3
HMP 5950	Special Study for Exams (! Section 02)	0
! Elective		3
! Elective		3
Credits		15
Total Credits		60

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