

Healthcare Administration - B.S.

The Healthcare Administration bachelor's degree program prepares graduates for entry-level careers in hospital and nursing home administration, quality improvement, health marketing and communication, health program management, health consulting, and health policy at both the state and federal levels. This program is a joint degree between the College of Health & Wellness and the College of Business. Students in this program focus on data-driven solutions in healthcare administration. The program also prepares students who are interested in entry into graduate programs such as health policy and management, public health, and other areas of business.

Students in this program engage in a systems thinking approach and engage in coursework that focuses on the innovation of policy, financing, and delivery in healthcare systems by utilizing courses focused on data analytics. The curriculum has a strong foundation in public health principles along with additional coursework in economics, accounting, and research methods. This B.S. degree program in Healthcare Administration exposes students to coursework across all colleges at the university, providing for a comprehensive skillset that can be implemented when working to improve healthcare for the population.

Upon completion of the program, graduates are expected to:

- Describe the legal and ethical principles of healthcare organizations that apply to individual patient and community healthcare needs.
- Evaluate the major components of healthcare system financing and delivery of the U.S. Healthcare System.
- Analyze quantitative and qualitative data to develop policy and implement effective healthcare decision-making.
- Integrate cultural competency and sensitivity in the organization and delivery of healthcare services.

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A four-year program leading to the bachelor of science degree

Major Courses

HSC1010	Introduction to Health Professions	1
HSC1230	Introduction to Public Health	3
HSC2310	Introduction to Healthcare in the United States	3
HSC2330	Healthcare Organizational Theory and Management	3
HSC2400	Research Methods for Health Science	3
HSC3300	Comparative Healthcare Systems	3
HSC3410	Quality Improvement in Healthcare Organizations	3
HSC3430	Healthcare Research Ethics	3
HSC4100	Health Policy, Ethics and the Law	3
HSC4310	Innovations in Healthcare Finance and Delivery Systems	3
HSC4900	Data and Evidence in Health: Research Capstone	3

Applied/Experiential Learning

Choose 6 credits from the following:		6
CHW4799	College of Health & Wellness Internship ^{lc}	
DEE3999	Directed Experiential Education ^D	
Study Abroad ^{Sa}		

Related Professional Studies

ACCT1210	Financial Accounting	3
ACCT1220	Managerial Accounting	3
DMSM2025	Introduction to Data Visualization	3
DMSM2050	Spreadsheets for Data Analysis	3
ECON1001	Macroeconomics	3
ECON1002	Microeconomics	3
ECON3030	Managerial Economics	3
FISV2000	Finance	3
FIT1040	Spreadsheet Design for Business Solutions	3
MRKT1001	Marketing Foundations	3

A&S Core Experience

Communication Foundation Courses		9
ENG1020	Rhetoric & Composition I	
ENG1021	Rhetoric & Composition II	
ENG1030	Communication Skills	
Integrative Learning		6
Two ILS courses, one at the 2000 level, one at the 4000 level		
Arts & Humanities		6
PHIL3240	Ethics: A Global Perspective	
One course from ART, HIST, HUM, LIT or REL		
Mathematics		6

MATH1020	Fundamentals of Algebra (or higher, based on student's placement)	
MATH2010	Introduction to Biostatistics	
Science		3
SCI1050	Nutrition	
Social Sciences		6
PSYC1001	Introductory Psychology	
One course from ANTH, ECON, GEND, LEAD, PSCI, RES or SOC		
A&S Electives		6
Two courses with an EASC attribute		
Free Electives[#]		
12 credits selected from 1000-4999 numbered offerings within the university		12
Total Credits		121.0

^{lc}Typically, internships require a minimum of six credits. Students interested in a 9 or 12-credit internship can apply additional experiential learning and free elective credits, if available. Students are strongly encouraged to contact a faculty advisor before scheduling internship and free elective credits.

^D Directed Experiential Education (DEE) opportunities are based on project availability with community partners and student eligibility. For more information, visit Experiential Education & Career Services (EE&CS).

^{Sa}To be eligible to count toward Applied/ Experiential Learning, a Study Abroad offering must meet certain requirements. Contact JWU Global to discuss eligible Study Abroad options for this degree program.

[#] In addition to classes, free elective credits may be applied to a number of options such as internship, study abroad, Directed Experiential Education courses and courses in a specialization or minor as relevant. For students who qualify for the J2 program, up to four graduate courses may apply. Students are strongly encouraged to contact a faculty advisor before scheduling free elective credits.

Note: Students must pass MATH0010 Pre-Algebra or have equivalent placement scores to enroll in required math courses.

Note: Students must pass ENG0001 Writing Workshop or have equivalent placement scores to enroll in ILS 2000-level courses.

Internships will be available but they will not be required. For online students who do not wish to register for an internship, 3000+ level college discipline-specific courses can be taken in place of the internship.

In collaboration with academic colleges across all JWU campuses, JWU Global Study Abroad programs offer a variety of international, domestic, and digital options for major, minor, free electives, experiential learning, and transferable courses. There are many affordable options for students during a semester, winter session, spring and/or summer breaks. Faculty-led, exchange, affiliate, and direct-enroll programs range in duration from one week to a full semester or full year. Financial aid may be applied, and some partners offer external scholarships. Premiere programs do not qualify for JWU scholarships or grants; however federal aid is available. Visit the study abroad website for information, program descriptions and online applications. Where will you go? Wherever you decide, make the best of your educational journey!