

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Description and Outcomes

The Bachelor of Science in Health Care Administration program is designed to address the growing need for well-prepared, entry-level health care administrators. The objective of the program is to provide you with the foundation to work within the health care industry as well as prepare you to pursue entry-level supervisory roles in health care organizations.

The curriculum is designed to help you gain a strong foundation in the core disciplines of health care administration, including content knowledge and skills in the areas of administration and management, and understand important concepts and processes. Coursework teaches foundational knowledge and skills as well as overall concepts, values, research methods, and applications that could prepare you to pursue a leadership career in health administration in the public sector or private industry. The program is taught by faculty with real-world knowledge and experience and helps you develop expertise in core health areas.

If you are interested in pursuing entry-level management positions in health care administration, you may be an ideal candidate for the Bachelor of Science in Health Care Administration program. Upon graduation, you could pursue administrative positions within the health care industry in organizations such as: insurance companies, hospitals, long-term care facilities, public health agencies, outpatient facilities, physician offices, mental health organizations, and other types of health organizations. The Bachelor of Science in Health Care Administration program could also provide an educational foundation if you plan on pursuing a master's degree in order to apply for executive health care positions.

This program is available in ExcelTrack. Speak with your University representative for any limitations. For more information on ExcelTrack, see Learning Paths in the Approach to Learning (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/university-information/approach-to-learning/>) section of the Catalog.

Accelerated Master's Degree Options

If you are interested in earning both a bachelor's and master's degree in the health sciences, consider an accelerated master's degree option. Refer to the general Progression Requirements (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/>) section for details.

Program Length

The Bachelor of Science in Health Care Administration degree program consists of a minimum of 180 quarter credit hours. Upon successful completion of the program, you will be awarded a bachelor of science degree.

Program Outcomes

Discipline-Specific Outcomes

1. Knowledge Base: Demonstrate a sound foundational knowledge and understanding of principles and practice in health care regarding administration, management, law, economics, and policy.

2. Research Methods and Critical Thinking Skills: Demonstrate competency in industry-specific knowledge and skills related to research methods, critical thinking, and problem solving in health care settings.
3. Interdisciplinary Integration: Apply principles of management needed to work in teams, build cross-functional teams, and facilitate collaborative decision making.
4. Operations: Apply best practices in decision making within the functional areas of health care management.
5. Health Care Administration: Demonstrate an understanding of the forces impacting health delivery systems and the effective and efficient management of health care.
6. Ethics and Professionalism: Analyze the professional, ethical, and legal standards of health care administrative practice.

General Education Literacies and Professional Competencies

In addition to the discipline-specific outcomes, general education literacies and professional competencies are integrated throughout your academic program. You can review the general education literacies and professional competencies associated with your academic program in the General Education and Professional Competency Requirements (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/general-education-professional-competency-requirements/>) section of this Catalog.

Program Availability

For program availability, please refer to the U.S. State and Other Approvals (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/university-information/accreditation-approvals-memberships/>) section and Program Availability Information (<https://www.purdueglobal.edu/catalog-program-availability-info.pdf>).

Policies

Please refer to school-specific policies (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/>) and the Policy Information (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/>) section for general Purdue Global policies.

Certification, State Board, and National Board Exams


Certain state certification and licensure boards have specific educational requirements for programs to lead to a license or nongovernmental certification that is a precondition for employment in a recognized occupation.

Unless otherwise specified, Purdue Global's programs are not designed to meet any specific state's licensure or certification requirements. If certain licensed occupations, vocations, or professions are not explicitly listed, Purdue Global has not reviewed the licensure or certification requirements of those occupations, vocations, or professions, nor intended the program to meet such requirements. Licensure-track programs may limit enrollment to students in certain states; please see Purdue Global's Program Availability Information (<https://www.purdueglobal.edu/catalog-program-availability-info.pdf>) to determine enrollment eligibility.

You are responsible for understanding the requirements of optional certification exams. Such requirements may change during the course of your program. You are not automatically certified in any way upon program completion. Although certain programs are designed to prepare you to take various optional certification exams, Purdue Global cannot guarantee you will be eligible to take these exams or become certified.











Your eligibility may depend on your work experience, completion of education and/or degree requirements, not having a criminal record, meeting other certification requirements, or the program or the University itself having appropriate accreditation or licensure.

Degree Plan

The  icon appears in the title of traditional courses that are also available as a set of module courses. Module course availability may be limited to certain academic calendars. See Course

Types (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/university-information/approach-to-learning/>) for information about module courses.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Core Requirements		
CM107	 College Composition I	5
CM220	 College Composition II	5
CS212	 Communicating Professionalism	5
100/200 Level	Mathematics Requirement ¹	5
100/200 Level	Arts and Humanities Requirement ¹	5
100/200 Level	Science Requirement ¹	5
100/200 Level	Social Science Requirement ¹	5
100/200 Level	General Education Electives	10
Total Core Requirements		45
Major Requirements		
HA405	 Leadership and Ethics in Health Care	6
HA415	 Health Care Policy and Economics	6
HA425	 Operational Analysis and Quality Improvement	6
HI300	 Information Technology and Systems for Health Care	6
HS410	 Organization and Management for Health Care	6
HS440	 Finance for Health Care	6
HS450	 Strategic Planning and Organizational Development for Health Care	6
100/200/300/400 Level	Major Electives	12
HA499	Bachelor's Capstone in Health Care Administration	6
Total Major Requirements		60
Open Elective Requirements		
Open Electives ²		75
Total Open Elective Requirements		75
TOTAL CREDITS		180

¹ For options to fulfill this requirement, see the corresponding literacy in General Education and Professional Competency Requirements (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/general-education-professional-competency-requirements/>).

² Eligible students who choose to complete the accelerated master's degree option will take up to five graduate-level courses in addition to selected undergraduate electives.