


# SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES

The  icon appears in the title of traditional courses that are also available as a set of module courses.

## Mission Statement

The School of Health Sciences is committed to preparing our students to become contributing members of the rapidly evolving health professions and the communities they serve. The knowledge, skills, and abilities gained through the health sciences programs prepare students to become effective and professional communicators, analytical problem solvers, and to embrace the challenges of a diverse community. The curriculum combines these skills with industry-specific standards that enable graduates to excel in this honorable field of service.

## General Policies

### Admissions Requirements

You must meet the below admissions requirements in addition to Purdue Global's general requirements (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/admissions/>).

### International Students

If you are an international student, you cannot enroll in a School of Health Sciences program that requires a clinical placement without prior approval of the Dean. In addition, you must have an approved criminal background check (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/admissions/>). You will also be required to complete a second criminal background check prior to placement at a clinical, externship, professional practice experience (PPE), or practicum site. You are responsible for the cost of the criminal background check.

### Programs With a Required Clinical, Externship, Practicum, or Professional Practice Experience (PPE)

You must pass a criminal background check (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/admissions/>) to enroll in a School of Health Sciences program that requires completion of a clinical, externship, PPE, or practicum experience. You will be required to complete a second criminal background check prior to placement at a clinical, externship, PPE, or practicum site if your initial background check will be more than 1 year old by the date your externship is completed, or if requested by the clinical site.

The University may require you to submit to a drug/chemical substance test at any time during the course of the program if there is evidence of impaired behavior that may pose a risk to patients, other students, or the education program. The requirement to submit to a drug/chemical substance test is based on an assessment of behavior that reflects possible drug use and/or impairment, and you will be required to cover all expenses incurred unless you live in the state of North Dakota, in which case, the University will cover the expenses. If applicable, you must provide a valid, verifiable, current prescription and evidence of appropriate medical supervision for medications that may affect your academic or clinical performance during your educational program. You will not be allowed to return to the externship site or participate in onsite clinical courses until drug testing results are presented to, reviewed, and approved by the program chair. If you refuse the test, the University

will assume you are using drugs/alcohol, which is considered a conduct violation and subject to disciplinary action identified in the Student Conduct (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/student-rights-responsibilities/conduct/>) section. A positive drug test for a nonprescribed substance will lead to dismissal from a program that includes a clinical component.

## Progression Requirements

General progression requirements for programs in the School of Health Sciences are noted below.

1. Credit for prior learning applied toward major School of Health Sciences courses must have been completed within 10 years of the start of your School of Health Sciences program. This provision may be waived at the discretion of the Dean of the program based on a review of submitted coursework or professional experience.
2. You must achieve a minimum grade of "S" (satisfactory) for the clinical components of courses.
3. You must provide required documentation for the clinical course, practicum, PPE, and externship placement including, but not limited to, health assessments and an application for clinical placement. Specific policies and procedures for submitting required documentation can be found in the appropriate Student Clinical Handbook. Failure to submit appropriate documentation by the deadline may result in a delay in placement for the clinical course, practicum, PPE, or externship and/or dismissal from the University.

### Programs With a Required Clinical, Externship, Practicum, or Professional Practice Experience (PPE)

1. In the event that the University is unable to schedule you into the required externship, PPE, practicum, or clinical experience, there may be a delay between the time you end classes and begin the externship, PPE, practicum, or clinical experience. In this case, the Dean of the School of Health Sciences may grant an administrative leave of absence.
2. At the discretion of the University, externship, PPE, practicum, or clinical sites may be secured outside of your immediate residential area. You will be responsible for costs associated with transportation to the externship, PPE, practicum, or clinical site.
3. You are responsible for submitting any documents requested by clinical sites by the established deadline. Failure to submit documentation will lead to a delay in placement and could lead to a failed attempt with placement.
4. In the event that you have not met preclinical placement requirements, a one-term clinical leave of absence may be granted. The Clinical Placement Team must approve the request for a clinical leave of absence.
5. If you fail to meet the requirements of an arranged clinical placement on the second attempt, you will be withdrawn from your academic program at the end of the current term.
6. If you are terminated from a clinical site you must successfully complete remediation within one full term after the end of your clinical course in order to be eligible for a second attempt with placement.

### Oregon Health Professions Requirements

Effective July 1, 2014, students completing certain types of clinical training in the state of Oregon are required to complete a standardized set of administrative requirements prior to beginning the clinical experience. These requirements include, but are not limited to,

immunizations, screenings, and trainings listed by the Oregon Health Authority. Students are responsible for the costs associated with completion of these requirements. Additional information can be found on the Oregon Health Authority website. Health sciences and nursing students should work with the Clinical Placement Team to determine what requirements will need to be completed.

## Programs

*In addition to the programs below, see Additional Offerings (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/additional-offerings/>) for information about other enrollment opportunities. For a list of additional offerings by subject, see the Area of Study index (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/bulletin/#areaofstudyindextext>) of the Micro-credential Bulletin (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/bulletin/>).*

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## Bachelor of Science in Health and Wellness

The Bachelor of Science in Health and Wellness program is designed to prepare you to pursue a variety of career opportunities in health care and health and wellness-related industries. The program's curriculum focuses on building content knowledge and skills in the broad areas of health care and health and wellness.

View Program Details (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/health-wellness-bs/>)

## Bachelor of Science in Health Care Administration

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.

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## Bachelor of Science in Health Education and Promotion

The Bachelor of Science in Health Education and Promotion focuses on providing a solid foundation in health education program planning, development, implementation, and evaluation. The knowledge and skills to assess community needs are developed through using existing health data as well as collecting primary data to determine needs.

View Program Details (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/health-education-promotion-bs/>)

## Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management

The Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management supports the development of innovative and adaptive critical thinkers and problem solvers who are capable of using available services and technologies to

support operations, management, and decision-making initiatives within the health information field.

View Program Details (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/health-information-management-bs/>)

## Bachelor of Science in Health Science

The Bachelor of Science in Health Science program focuses on building content knowledge and skills in the broad areas of health science and health care. Coursework highlights foundational knowledge and skills as well as overall concepts, values, research methods, and applications that could prepare you to pursue a career in health care or health science.

View Program Details (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/health-science-bs/>)

## Bachelor of Science in Nutrition

The Bachelor of Science in Nutrition program features a dynamic curriculum with a strong emphasis on the foundational sciences and clinical nutrition, ensuring a comprehensive understanding of the scientific principles behind nutrition and health care. Emphasizing the transformative role of food as medicine, this program addresses health challenges and fosters wellness beyond basic nourishment.

View Program Details (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/nutrition-bs/>)

## Associate of Applied Science in Health Science

If you are a military student who has already received military training for medical and health science occupational specialties, the Associate of Applied Science in Health Science offers you a military-friendly path to achieve advancement in your military or civilian career. The program awards maximum credit for prior military medical and health science training with a focus on speed to degree and military career progression. The degree plan includes general education and discipline-specific health science courses that build upon your military training and experience to best prepare you for advancement in the military or civilian life.

View Program Details (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/health-science-aas/>)

## Associate of Science in Health Science

If you have received military training for medical and health science occupational specialties and want to earn an associate's degree and then continue your studies to earn a bachelor's degree, the Associate of Science in Health Science is a military-friendly path that can help you reach your educational and career goals.

View Program Details (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/health-science-as/>)

## Health Care Quality and Patient Safety Certificate

The Health Care Quality and Patient Safety Certificate is designed to expand upon the knowledge and skills of pharmacy technicians in the areas of quality improvement and patient safety. Coursework highlights patient safety theory, the scope of medication errors, cultural

competence, and ethical decision-making. The program provides a solid overview of emerging trends in a rapidly changing health care system.

View Program Details (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/health-care-quality-and-patient-safety-certificate/>)

## **Medical Assistant Certificate**

The objective of the Medical Assistant Certificate program is to prepare medical assistants who are competent in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains to enter the profession. This program concentrates on helping you acquire knowledge and develop skills in performing clinical and administrative procedures in a medical office or ambulatory care setting.

View Program Details (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/medical-assistant-certificate-online/>)

## **Medical Billing/Coding Certificate**

The objective of the Medical Billing/Coding Certificate program is to prepare you with the knowledge, technical skills, and work habits to pursue an entry-level position as a billing and insurance specialist in either a physician's office or institutional setting, or as a patient referral specialist, coder, or medical receptionist. The curriculum concentrates on helping you acquire the basic skills and knowledge necessary to submit medical claims for reimbursement, process bills, operate computerized billing systems, and gain a working knowledge of various insurance plans.

View Program Details (<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/health-sciences/medical-billing-coding-certificate/>)