

MASTER OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (MHA)

Program Length: 3 Years

Program Director: Keith Schildt

The Masters in Health Administration (MHA) is designed to provide the key competencies and specialized knowledge required of health services professionals to manage effectively. Key competencies are developed in the core courses; specialized knowledge and understanding are developed in the concentrations and/or electives courses.

Admission Requirements

Required Application Materials

1. Completed Admission Application and non-refundable application fee
2. Official transcripts from all institutions attended. A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university is required.
3. Statement of purpose
4. Resume

Students without a degree from an English-speaking institution, where English is not the primary language of instruction and of the geographic area, must establish minimal proficiency in English by accomplishing one of the following: a TOEFL of 79 (iBT), 213 CBT, or 550 PBT or above, Duolingo 105 or above, a GRE verbal score of 146, satisfactory completion of La Verne's English proficiency test, or satisfactory completion of prerequisite courses at La Verne as indicated by a placement examination.

Admission is evaluated on two criteria:

1. Overall performance in undergraduate studies; while no minimum GPA is required, it is expected that the applicant demonstrates the academic ability to succeed at the graduate level.
2. Personal statement of purpose that details applicants desire to work in health serving organizations.

Prerequisites

- Experience in the US health services industry preferred. Healthcare fieldwork/internship required if no US health services industry experience.

Accelerated Program

For accelerated program options, please contact the program director.

Degree Requirements

Total program: 36 semester hours

Core Requirements

Code	Title	Semester Hours
HSM 500	Management & Organizational Theory & Practice	3
HSM 501	Current Trends and Issues in Health Services	3
HSM 502	Financial and Cost Analysis	3
HSM 503	Healthcare Economics	3
HSM 504	Organizational Communications	3
HSM 545	Foundations of Public Health	3

HSM 555	Ethical Issues in Health Services	3
Total Semester Hours		21

Research and Culminating Courses

3 semester hours

Code	Title	Semester Hours
HSM 596	Graduate Seminar	3
Total Semester Hours		3

Concentrations

12 semester hours

Students can elect to complete one of the concentrations below, or they can choose four additional elective courses with either a PH or HSM subject code.

Financial Management Concentration

Code	Title	Semester Hours
Select one of the following:		3
HSM	Elective	
PH	Elective	
Select three of the following:		9
HSM 532	Budgeting and Cost Control	
HSM 534	Program Evaluation in Health Services	
HSM 571	Management of Clinical and Financial Information	
HSM 590	Selected Topics ¹	
Total Semester Hours		12

Public Health Concentration

Code	Title	Semester Hours
Select one of the following:		3
HSM	Elective	
PH	Elective	
Select three of the following:		9
HSM 546	Epidemiology	
HSM 547	Public Health Policy	
HSM 548	Applied Research for Public Health Professionals	
HSM 549	Public Health and the Urban Context	
HSM 551	Food Systems & Public Health	
HSM 590	Selected Topics ¹	
Total Semester Hours		12

Healthcare Supply Chain Management Concentration

12 semester hours

Code	Title	Semester Hours
Select one of the following:		3
HSM	Elective	
PH	Elective	
Select three of the following:		9

HSM 541	Fundamentals of Supply Chain Management	
HSM 542	Planning and Purchasing	
HSM 543	Logistics and Financial Operations	
HSM 590	Selected Topics ¹	
Total Semester Hours		12

Long Term Care Administration Concentration

Code	Title	Semester Hours
HSM 440	Long Term Care Administration	3
HSM 441	Managing Quality & Safety in Long Term Care Settings	3
HSM 447	The Life Span and Health	3
Select one of the following:		3
HSM 425	Emergency Preparedness	
HSM 562	Human Resource Management in Health Service Organizations	
HSM 590	Selected Topics ¹	
HSM 598	Field Work/Internship	
Total Semester Hours		12

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HSM 590 Selected Topics requires Program Director approval for use in any concentration.

Healthcare Data Analytics Concentration

Not offered for 2023-2024.

Accelerated 4+1 Master of Health Administration (MHA)

Qualifying University of La Verne undergraduate students may apply to participate in the accelerated Master of Health Administration (MHA) program once they have completed 90 semester units of undergraduate courses. Eligible MHA courses are determined by the MHA Program Director. Participants will need advance approval from their undergraduate advisor for shared credit courses. The MHA courses may not exceed 15 units prior to undergraduate degree completion.

Applicants must meet all MHA admission requirements. Admission to the MHA program is provisional prior to undergraduate degree completion and contingent on applicants continuing to meet MHA admission and program requirements. Please contact the program director for further information.