

Healthcare Administration - Master of Science

Program requirements

Admission

Admission to the Master of Science in Healthcare Administration Program requires:

1. Completion of the prerequisite coursework: elementary statistics, medical terminology and oral communication/public speaking. Students lacking one of the prerequisite courses may be conditionally admitted contingent on remediation of that prerequisite. Remediated prerequisite courses do not count toward the M.S. degree.
2. An overall undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale, an average of at least 3.00 in the last half of all undergraduate work, or an average of at least 3.00 for no less than 12 semester credits of graduate study at another accredited graduate school.

Curriculum

(37 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
HCA 700	US Healthcare Systems	3
HCA 705	Population Health and Epidemiology	3
HCA 710	Health Communication	3
HCA 715	Healthcare Technology, Data Analytics, and Information Governance	3
HCA 720	Healthcare Financial Management	3
HCA 730	Human Capital Management in Healthcare	3
HCA 740	Healthcare Operations and Project Management	3
HCA 750	Healthcare Quality and Performance Management	3
HCA 760	Health Law and Policy	3
HCA 770	Organization Development and Strategic Leadership in Healthcare	3
HCA 780	Communicating Current and Emerging Topics in Healthcare	3
HCA 789	Capstone Preparation	1
HCA 790	Healthcare Administration Capstone	3
Total Credits		37

Degree requirements

Graduate degree requirements

After being admitted to the program of one's choice, candidates for a graduate degree must:

1. Complete any preliminary course work and deficiencies.
2. Complete all courses and other program requirements, including residence requirements prescribed for the degree desired in the respective school or college within a seven-year period from the date of initial enrollment.
3. Earn a minimum of 30 credits for a master's degree; 54 credits for a doctorate or post-master's degree. Earn at least one-half of the minimum number of credits required in the program in graduate-only level courses (700, 800, 900, and non-slash 600 level courses).
4. Earn a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.00.
5. Satisfy dissertation, thesis, seminar paper, terminal/graduate projects and internships, or comprehensive examination, where applicable. A dissertation or thesis approved by the committee must be submitted to the Director of Graduate Studies for approval at least two weeks before commencement. Ordinarily, a seminar paper or project report does not have to be approved by the Director of Graduate Studies. However, if the seminar paper or project report is to be archived in Murphy Library, the student must follow the same rules as they apply to the dissertation/thesis requiring approval from the Director of Graduate Studies. For further research/dissertation/thesis guidelines (<https://www.uwlax.edu/graduate-studies>), see the Office of Graduate Studies.
6. File a completed "Intent to Graduate" form online via the WINGS Student Center immediately following registration for the final semester or summer term in residence. December graduates and winter intersession should file by May 1. May and summer graduates should file by December 1.
7. Pay the graduation fee and remove all other indebtedness to the university. Payment of graduation fees does not imply readiness for graduation and does not take the place of applying for graduation.
8. Complete all requirements within 30 days after the official ending date of a term in order for a degree to be awarded for that term. (See #5 above for separate deadline for written capstone experience.)