

Approx. program length:

4 years

Credits:

120

Cost per credit:

\$398

[Tuition Guarantee](#)

Format:

Online & Campus

Help the business of healthcare hum

If you're a current or aspiring healthcare professional interested in the business side of healthcare, our Bachelor of Science in Health Administration may be for you. Our core curriculum delivers foundational knowledge in business communications, finance, regulations, technology and ethics. Curriculum also aligns with leading industry and academic associations — ensuring you're getting current content in an industry that's ever-changing.

Once your core courses are complete, you'll focus on your healthcare interests by selecting an [elective track](#) in Health Administration, Lifespan Management, Retail Health Management or Health Information Systems.*

* The Health Information Systems elective track prepares you to sit for the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS) Certified Associate in Healthcare Information and Management Systems (CAHIMS) exam.

In the BS in Health Administration program, you'll learn to:

- Apply management and leadership skills relevant to the changing healthcare industry
- Evaluate risk and quality management practices to help improve patient outcomes
- Address challenges and opportunities faced by health service administrators
- Communicate effectively across diverse healthcare environments
- Leverage data and technology to improve overall healthcare system performance

You can complete your degree in about four years, and you'll take just one 5-week course at a time so you can balance work and life on the path to your degree.

HIMSS Approved Education Partner

Our BSHA meets the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society's (HIMSS) rigorous standards for quality health IT or healthcare education and has been named an [Approved Education Partner](#) (AEP). This allows us to offer HIMSS-approved review courses and education programs that prepare you for advanced knowledge in health IT or healthcare.

We've also joined the HIMSS Academic Organizational Affiliate (AOA) program, which means we can offer our eligible students a complimentary HIMSS individual membership. The membership connects students with networking opportunities, career services, professional development opportunities and more.

What sets us apart?

When you choose our Bachelor of Science in Health Administration program, you can:

Specialize your focus

Target your healthcare interests through elective tracks in Health Administration, Lifespan Management, Health Information Systems or Retail Health Management.

Learn your way

Earn your Bachelor of Science in Health Administration online or on campus, one 5-week course at a time.

Have confidence in your courses

Our curriculum aligns with leading industry and academic associations — meaning we make real-time adjustments based on input from experts.

Projected job growth:

20%

According to [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#)

Job opportunities

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the job growth for medical and health services managers is projected to be 20 percent between 2016 and 2026. A Bachelor of Science in Health Administration can help prepare you to be a:

- Health manager
- Office manager (GM)
- Practice administrator
- Program manager

Networking opportunities

Access powerful networking tools through our PhoenixLink™ career services platform. Take advantage of personal career coaching. Search and apply for jobs, or make your resumé visible to employers. And connect with employers and alumni through career fairs and mixers. It's all about connections. And we help you make them.

Learning outcomes

Along with the knowledge and skills related to the University Learning Goals, students who graduate from the College of Health Professions should gain program-specific knowledge, skills and abilities. Each college or school creates a set of Program Student Learning Outcomes (PSLOs) to describe the knowledge, skills or attitudes students will possess upon completion of the program of study. By the time you complete your Bachelor of Science in Health Administration degree, you should be able to perform these [learning outcomes](#).

The goal of accreditation is to ensure that education provided by institutions of higher education meets acceptable levels of quality. Accreditation is your assurance the University meets quality standards.

Institutional accreditation

Regional accreditation is an institution-level accreditation status granted by one of six U.S. regional accrediting bodies. Accreditation by more than one regional accrediting body is not permitted by the U.S. Department of Education.

University of Phoenix is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), hlcommission.org. Since 1978, University of Phoenix has been continually accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and its predecessor.

Course length:

5 weeks

Total credits required:

120

Max. number of transfer credits:

90

Requirements and prerequisites

You'll need 120 credits to complete this program. These may be earned through a combination of required and elective courses. Required courses may vary based on previous experience, training or transferable credits. [View general requirements](#)

Curriculum alignment

Our curriculum aligns with leading industry and academic organizations, such as the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE) and the Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA). Our BSHA also meets the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society's (HIMSS) rigorous standards for quality health IT or healthcare education by being an Approved Education Partner.

How does this benefit you? Industry alignments and high-quality standards offer you peace of mind that your curriculum reflects the latest trends and best practices in today's ever-changing healthcare climate.

Elective tracks

BSHA students choose from four [elective tracks](#) to meet program requirements. These include:

- Health Administration – This track lays a strong foundation in healthcare management, including legal, ethical, quality and human resources issues.
- Health Information Systems – Course content prepares students to sit for the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS) Certified Associate in Healthcare Information and Management Systems (CAHIMS) exam after completion of program coursework. You'll study database concepts, information networking and the project management of health information systems.
- Lifespan Management – The populations that need long-term care are diverse and include children or adults with chronic disease, disabled veterans and those with long-term disabilities. Develop the knowledge and skills to manage programs, market services and maintain regulatory compliance in long-term care.
- Retail Health Management – This unique track addresses the transition of healthcare from strictly hospital settings to community-based settings. You'll learn the administrative, reimbursement and regulatory nuances of retail health management.

Transfer credits

Earn your degree faster. [Transfer eligible college credits](#) or apply to [have relevant experience evaluated](#) for potential college credit. Contact an enrollment representative at 844.YES.UOPX for more information.

Core courses

- HCS385: Health Care Finance
- HCS499: Health Care Strategy Capstone
- HCIS140: Fundamentals Of Electronic Health Records
- HCS490: Health Care Consumer - Trends And Marketing
- HCS120: Medical Terminology For Health Care Professionals
- HCS235: Health Care Delivery In The U. S.
- HCS305: Health Care Professional Development
- HCS335: Health Care Ethics And Social Responsibility
- HCS370: Organizational Behavior
- HCS325: Health Care Management
- HCS341: Human Resources In Health Care

- HCS465: Health Care Research Utilization
- HCS131: Business Communication Skills For Health Care Professionals
- HCS483: Health Care Information Systems
- HCS457: Public And Community Health
- HCS451: Health Care Quality Management And Outcomes Analysis
- HCS380: Health Care Accounting