Bachelor of Science in Health Administration

Get into the business side of patient care, and help healthcare organizations better deliver patient outcomes. Our Bachelor of Science in Health Administration degree can help you gain the skills for a variety of healthcare facilities.

Coursework in this program, and its four elective track options, align with the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society’s (HIMSS) rigorous standards for quality health information technology or healthcare education, and we’ve been named an Approved Education Partner (AEP).

**Top skills learned in this program:**

- Business Management
- Communications
- Compliance
- Finance
- Health Administration
- Information Management
- Leadership
- Management
- Professionalism
- Quality Management
- Strategic Planning
Projected job growth:

32%

According to Bureau of Labor Statistics

What can you do with a Bachelor of Science in Health Administration degree?

A BSHA can help prepare you to be a:

• Health manager
• Office manager (GM)
• Practice administrator

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, job growth for medical and health services managers is projected to be much faster than average between 2020 and 2030.

BLS projections are not specific to University of Phoenix students or graduates.

Institutional accreditation

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.
Total credits required:

120

Requirements and prerequisites

You'll need 120 credits to complete this Bachelor of Science in Health Administration degree. Your course schedule may vary based on transferable credits or credits earned through the University's Prior Learning Assessment.

17 Core courses

Here's where you'll pick up the bulk of your program-specific knowledge. By the time you finish these courses, you should have the confidence and skills needed in a healthcare environment.

- HCS/120T: Medical Terminology for Health Care Professionals
- HCS/131T: Business Communication Skills for Health Care Professionals
- HCS/235T: Health Care Delivery in the U. S.
- HCIS/140T: Fundamentals of Electronic Health Records
- HCS/305: Health Care Professional Development
- HCS/335: Health Care Ethics and Social Responsibility
- HCS/325: Health Care Management
- HCS/370: Organizational Behavior
- HCS/341: Human Resources in Health Care
- HCS/380: Health Care Accounting
- HCS/385: Health Care Finance
- HCS/490: Health Care Consumer - Trends and Marketing
- HCS/457: Public and Community Health
- HCS/483: Health Care Information Systems
- HCS/451: Health Care Quality Management and Outcomes Analysis
- HCS/465: Health Care Research Utilization
- HCS/499: Health Care Strategy Capstone

15 General education courses

These courses lay the foundation for all our degree programs. Because communication, math and writing skills aren't just universally applicable in healthcare — they're useful in daily life.
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- GEN/201: Foundations for University Success
- PSY/110: Psychology of Learning
- ENG/110: English Composition I
- HUM/115: Critical Thinking in Everyday Life
- FP/100T: Everyday Economics and Finances
- ENG/210: English Composition II
- SOC/110: Teamwork, Collaboration, and Conflict Resolution
- SCI/163T: Elements of Health and Wellness
- HCS/245: Introduction to Health and Disease
- SOC/100: Introduction to Sociology
- REL/134: World Religious Traditions II
- HUM/186: Media Influences on American Culture
- ETH/316: Ethics and Social Responsibility
- ENG/340: Creative Writing
- SCI/220T: Human Nutrition
- MTH/215T: Quantitative Reasoning I
- MTH/216T: Quantitative Reasoning II

3 Elective courses

Elective courses allow you to learn about topics you're interested in, whether they're related to your degree or not. That means you'll have a degree that's unique to you and your education goals.

- SCI/256: People, Science and the Environment
- ETH/120: Cultural Diversity in the United States
- PSY/320: Human Motivation
- HCS/430: Legal Issues in Health Care: Regulation and Compliance
- HCS/446: Facility Planning
- HCS/455: Health Care Policy: The Past and the Future
- HCS/456: Risk Management
- HCS/475: Leadership and Performance Development

5 Upper Division Health Admin elective courses

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.*
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**Schedule**

Both the on-campus and online healthcare administration degrees feature the same courses, and your academic advisor will help you schedule them.

If you are located in Phoenix, this program may be offered as Blended. This means you'll start at the Phoenix campus* to complete your general education courses, and then transition to online learning for your core program courses.

*During COVID-19, while campus is temporarily closed, your campus classes will be held virtually so you can get face-to-face learning at home.

**What you'll learn**

When you earn your Bachelor of Science in Health Administration degree, you'll be equipped with a concrete set of skills you can apply on the job.

You'll learn how to:

- Evaluate a health care organization from a market-based perspective.
- Evaluate financial and economic issues in the health care industry.
- Evaluate the application of risk and quality management concepts in the health care industry.
- Analyze the utilization and application of technology within a health care organization.
- Evaluate management and adaptable leadership skills in the health care industry.
- Evaluate the impact of legal and regulatory requirements on the delivery of health care.