

Bachelor of Arts in Health Services

The health services major is an interdisciplinary course of study designed to prepare students to work in the healthcare field. The program analyzes the structure of the healthcare industry; identifies cultural, legal, and environmental factors that impact health; and provides students with communication and management skills.

Students may pursue one of two fields: **Managing health services programs and projects** gives students key administrative and business skills, with an emphasis on grant and research project management.

Community health assessment provides skills to assess the physical, social, and environmental factors influencing health behaviors.

A minimum total of 120 credits is required for the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in health services. Of this total, the major consists of three credits of prerequisite courses and 33 credits of core and specialization courses. The remaining credits for the degree are outlined on the Requirements for the Bachelor's Degree information sheet.

This major has a computer competency requirement: Students may take one of the following courses or pass a competency examination:

PUBSRV	0040	Public Service Technologies	3 cr.
CS	0110	Computers and Networks	3 cr.
CS	0131	Software for Personal Computing	3 cr.

A. Core Courses: 15 credits

(five courses)

NUR	1829	Issues in Cross-cultural Health Care	3 cr.
HRS	1017	Introduction to Epidemiology	3 cr.
COMMRC	1730	Special Topics: Health Communication	3 cr.
SOC	0477	Medical Sociology	3 cr.
PUBSRV	1305	Health, Law, and Ethics	3 cr.

B. Specialization Fields: 18 credits

(six courses)

Students take a total of two required courses and four elective courses. Check with an academic advisor for course availability and additional elective options.

1. Managing Health Services Programs and Projects

Required, choose two:

BUSERV	1915	Introduction to Management	3 cr.
HRS	1009	Organizational Theory and Concepts	3 cr.
PUBSRV	1315	Managing Projects and Contracts	3 cr.

Electives, choose four:

ANTH	1761	Patients and Healers	3 cr.
COMMRC	1102	Organizational Communication	3 cr.
COMMRC	1106	Small Group Communication	3 cr.
DENHYG	1942	Science Literature Evaluation	3 cr.
HIM	1455/1465	Quality Care Assessment and Lab	3 cr.
HIST	1090	History of Medicine and Health Care	3 cr.
HPS	0612	Mind and Medicine	3 cr.
NROSCI	0081	Drugs and Behavior	3 cr.
PUBSRV	1110	Financial Management in the Public Sector	3 cr.
PUBSRV	1120	Human Resources Management in the Public Sector	3 cr.
PHIL	1360	Biomedical Ethics	3 cr.

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2. Community Health Assessment

Required, choose two:

NUR	1765	Risk Factors and Health	3 cr.
SOC	1450	Health and Illness	3 cr.
PUBSRV	1310	Diversity Issues in Public Service	3 cr.

Electives, choose four:

ANTH	1794	Gender and Health	3 cr.
COMMRC	0530	Interpersonal Communication	3 cr.
DENHYG	1921	Health Management Seminar	3 cr.
DENHYG	1414	Gerontology	3 cr.
DENHYG	1922	Health Management Practicum	3 cr.
HIST	1090	History of Medicine and Health Care	3 cr.
HPS	0613	Morality and Medicine	3 cr.
HRS	1006	Introduction to Nutrition	3 cr.
HRS	1018	Survey of Health and Rehabilitation Professions	3 cr.
NROSCI	0081	Drugs and Behavior	3 cr.
NUR	1070	Introduction to Nursing Science	3 cr.
PUBSRV	1100	Practices in Public Administration	3 cr.
PUBSRV	1200	Practices of Nonprofit Organizations	3 cr.
PSY	1215	Health Psychology	3 cr.
PSY	1230	Psychology of Death and Dying	3 cr.
PSY	1255	Principles of Behavior Modification	3 cr.
PSY	1235	Alcohol Use and Abuse	3 cr.
REHSCI	1290	Practical Issues in Disability	3 cr.
RELGST	0625	Death, Dying, and Immortality	3 cr.

Requirements subject to change. Check with an academic advisor before registering.

An internship program is available through the College of General Studies. Please see your advisor for additional information.