HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION, CERTIFICATE

Requirements for an undergraduate certificate may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the certificate.

Program Description

The certificate in Health Care Administration helps prepare students for management positions in the field of health care. Health Care Administration students will develop the skills and knowledge needed to understand the challenges of providing access to quality health care at reasonable cost. The five course certificate will provide a students with opportunities to examine the social, political, historic, and scientific factors in the development and organization of health services; the basic concepts and issues related to health insurance and payment for health care providers; how data are presented and used for decision-making in health care administration; how to use financial and economic information to make decisions in health care organizations; and the management systems designed for efficient and effective health care operations.

This certificate also offers short term stackable credentials that align with health industry entry level position needs. Students can "stack" the HPA administration micro-credentials over time toward the completion of the certificate or use them as a stand-alone credential. Each micro-credential cluster combines three core HPA courses and mastery of these courses will be demonstrated through a comprehensive exam.

What is Health Care Administration?

The five-course certificate is designed to augment current students who are majoring in business, economics, or the health sciences or who are current health care professionals and who are interested in working in the following health care organizations:

1. Health care providers (hospitals, physician practices, nursing facilities, home health agencies, etc.)
2. Health insurers (nonprofit and commercial insurers, health maintenance organizations, etc.)
3. Health care consulting firms
4. Health care supply companies (pharmaceutical companies, medical device manufacturers, etc.)

You Might Like This Program If...

- You are interested in business administration or management and want to focus primarily in the healthcare industry.
- You are interested in reducing health care costs or improving health care quality through business leadership.
- You are interested in analyzing financial, operational, or clinical data to improve health care quality.