



BACHELOR of SCIENCE; HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION (#559)

Department of Public Health
 College of Health and Human Services
 Western Kentucky University

The suggested program of study shown below should be used in consultation with your advisor(s). Every student will finish with a unique plan of his/her own depending on the electives selected. Prerequisites, Course Numbers, and Course Titles are subject to change.

SAMPLE – Finish in Four Plan

FIRST YEAR			
Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
ENG 100 – Intro College Writing (F-W1)	3	COMM 145 – Fundamentals of Public Speaking & Communication (F-OC)	3
MATH 183 – Intro Statistics (F-QR) OR PH 383 – Biostatistics OR SOCL 300 – Using Stats in SOCL	3	ENG 200 – Intro to Literature (F-AH)	3
HCA 120 – Health Literacy for Consumers	3	HIST 101 – World History I OR HIST 102 – World History II (F-SB)	3
HIM/AH 290 – Medical Terminology	2	Arts & Humanities (E-AH)	3
PSY/S 100 – Intro to Psychology (E-SB)	3	BIOL 131 – Human Anatomy & Physiology (E-NS/SL) OR PH 100 – Personal Health (E-SB)	4 or 3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	14	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16 or 15

SECOND YEAR			
Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Natural & Physical Science (E-NS/SL) (not BIOL if BIOL 131 taken)	3	ACCT 200 Introductory Accounting OR HIM 252 Healthcare Payment Systems	3
ECON 202 Microeconomics OR ECON 203 Macroeconomics (E-SB)	3	Major/Minor/Elective OR *World Language (if needed)	3
ENG 300 – Writing in the Disciplines (F-W2)	3	Natural & Physical Science (E-NS/SL) or Major/Minor/Elective (IF BIOL 131 not taken)	3
PH 381 – Community Health OR PH 384 – Intro to Epidemiology (only if PH 100 taken)	3	Connections: Social & Cultural (K-SC)	3
Connections: Local to Global (K-LG)	3	Major/Minor/Elective	3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

For more details and courses offered in the Colonnade General Education program visit the [website](#).

World Language Requirement: Language Proficiency of novice-high before completing 60 credit hours is required (or completion of 2nd level of a language). Two credits (or equivalent) of a single world language in High School satisfies this WKU requirement.

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Sample 4-year plan (2018-2019)

THIRD YEAR			
Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Connections: Systems (K-SY)	3	FIN 330 – Principles of Financial Mgt. OR HCA 401 Fund. of Health Care Financial Mgt.	3
HCA 340 – Health Care Organization and Management	3	HCA 345 – Long-Term Care Administration	3
Major/Minor/Elective	3	HCA 344 – Health Systems Management	3
HCA 383 – Statistical Applications in Healthcare	1	HCA 342 – Human Resources Mgt. for Healthcare Managers	3
PH 447 Human Values & the Health Sciences OR HCA 247 Contemporary Healthcare Issues OR PHIL 322 Biomedical Ethics OR PHIL 323 Social Ethics OR MGT 305 Ethics & Critical Thinking OR SWRK 433 Ethical Issues & Dilemmas in Social Work	3	HCA 446 – Health Care Informatics	3
Major/Minor/Elective	3	HCA 447 – Information Systems Lab	1
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16

FOURTH YEAR			
Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
HCA 343 Quality Mgt. for Healthcare OR HCA 353 Quality & Patient Safety in Long-Term Care	3	HCA 445 – Health Care Finance	3
HCA 441 Legal Aspects/Health Care OR MGT 200 Legal Environment of Business OR MGT 301 Business Law OR HIM 225 Legal Issues in HIM	3	HCA 347 International Comparisons of Health Care Systems OR PH 410 Global Perspectives on Population Health	3
HCA 346 Ambulatory Care Administration OR HCA 355 Nursing Facility Administration	3	HCA 442 – Principles and Methods of Health Planning	3
HCA 440 Health Economics OR ECON 3** OR 4**	3	HCA 448 Health Care Analysis and Evaluation	3
Major/Minor/Elective	2		
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	14	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	12
Summer Semester			
HCA 449 – Internship in HCA	3		
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	3		

Total Credit Hours: 120

For More Information:

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Course Descriptions: <https://www.wku.edu/undergraduatecatalog/>

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