The Bachelor of Science Degree

HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT

The Maria College Bachelor of Science degree in Healthcare Management provides students with the knowledge and skills necessary to enter a number of highly rewarding careers in the healthcare industry. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the field of healthcare management is expecting double digit growth over the next decade, as the population ages and more U.S. citizens require long-term care or medical treatment. Maria College’s Healthcare Management program is designed to attract high school students, current healthcare workers looking to advance in their career, or others who are seeking to change their career path. Both full-time faculty and working healthcare management practitioners will teach students, infusing the courses with real world scenarios for rich classroom discussion and projects. In addition, a cooperative work experience is built into the program schedule. Work experience gives students a competitive edge when seeking employment within the industry or provides a solid foundation for advanced study at the graduate level.

Program Highlights:
The program’s goal is to prepare students for entry into mid-level management positions in a variety of healthcare settings from corporate health and wellness departments and pharmaceutical manufacturers, to nursing homes, hospitals, assisted living and rehabilitation centers.

Upon completion of the program, students will be able to:

▶ Demonstrate an understanding of the U.S. healthcare system, including its organization, structure, delivery modalities, performance, and terminology.

▶ Relate and integrate the concepts of accounting, organization and management, economics, ethics, sociology, finance, and healthcare law to the healthcare environment.

▶ Apply their knowledge of program planning and evaluation within healthcare organizations and the role of information systems in this process.

▶ Identify and understand processes of continuous improvement and the barriers that exist to its success in a healthcare setting.

▶ Identify major components and issues of healthcare law and policies as they apply to healthcare organizations.

▶ Use theories of leadership and organizational behavior to define and implement management practices in healthcare settings.

▶ Understand and apply appropriate analysis to ethical issues as they impact management and decision-making within healthcare organizations.

▶ Pursue realistic ideas about how to implement their healthcare knowledge, skills and values in occupational pursuits in a variety of settings that will meet personal goals and societal needs.

Healthcare Management Academic Overview:
The Bachelor of Science degree in Healthcare Management is a 120 credit program that integrates liberal arts and free elective credits with the required 54 credits in the healthcare management core.

Healthcare Management majors will develop a strong foundation with the completion of these courses: Business Organization and Management, Financial Accounting, Managerial Accounting, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Healthcare Ethics, and Medical Sociology.

Healthcare Management Core:

Year 1
U.S. Healthcare System

Year 2
Introduction to Healthcare Management
Introduction to Human Resource Management
Introduction to Health Information Management Systems

Year 3
Technical & Professional Communications
Healthcare Marketing
Advanced Health Information Management Systems
Financial Management in Healthcare

Year 4
Healthcare Law and Policy
Co-op Internship
Leadership
Healthcare Quality Management
Critical Issues in Healthcare
Capstone