

Health Informatics, Information Management and Administration









B.S. Healthcare Administration (Online)

Have You Considered a Career in Healthcare Administration?

Healthcare administration is a broad-based discipline that serves individuals, communities, and entire populations in a variety of healthcare environments. Healthcare administration is an excellent career choice for the person who would like to have a profession in health care in one or more of the following areas: healthcare policy and strategy, marketing, communication, business continuity and sustainability, law and ethics, business and project management, human resources, health information systems, and organizational behavior.

Changing age demographics have created an increased demand for healthcare services, leading to a projected growth of 18 percent more jobs for medical and health service managers from 2018 to 2028. (Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor). This projected rate of growth is much faster than average, which means there will be more jobs available to you after graduation. Workers in the field of healthcare administration also have excellent earning potential - medical and health services managers earned a median annual salary of \$110,680 in 2023. [Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Medical and Health Services Managers, at https://www.bls.gov/ooh/management/medical-and-health-services-managers.htm (visited August 28, 2024)].

Examples of Jobs	Potential Work
Graduates May Hold	Environments
Clinical Support Services	Hospital & Health Systems
Manager	Management
Healthcare Initiative Project Manager	Medical Groups
Healthcare Human	Pharmaceutical &
Resources Manager	Biotechnology Companies
Social & Community	Care Management
Services Manager	Organizations
Medical or Dental Office	Health Information
Administrator	Technology Firms
Long-term Care Coordinator	Supply Chain Companies
Marketing Program	Government/Policy
Coordinator	Organizations

The field further offers continuing opportunity for career and personal growth. Healthcare management requires ongoing education, and most employers encourage continued professional development. Many organizations provide tuition assistance or in-service training for new skills. Innovation and continuous learning will be a part of the job from day one.

Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration (BSHA) Online Program

The online BSHA program prepares individuals to serve in entry-level and mid-level healthcare administration in a variety of healthcare environments. Unlike many other programs in the marketplace, healthcare professional units can be applied to the overall units required for completion of the BSHA degree. For example, nursing, radiography, respiratory therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, dental hygiene, etc., units may be applied towards degree completion rather than a student having to take additional electives unrelated to student's career of choice. Thus, by enrolling in the BSHA program, students already employed in the healthcare industry may more easily earn a degree and pursue career advancement.

Degree Format

The BSHA program is an online program, allowing students to complete coursework on their own schedules. Students seeking to balance employment, family life, and higher education will find this format advantageous. While a limited number of videoconferences and teleconferences may be scheduled, there are always options for alternative asynchronous activities for students who cannot participate synchronously. The BSHA program begins summer quarter on an annual basis. Students may enroll full-time or part-time. Classes are generally small, with an excellent faculty-student ratio.

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Application Window - Applications are accepted between September 23 and May 1.

Admission Requirements

- Minimum of 90-quarter units (or 60-semester units) academic credit students transferring from a community college may transfer a maximum of 105-quarter units (or 70-semester units); all other credits must come from a senior college.
- Minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA for all freshman and sophomore coursework from accredited educational institutions; students with a 2.0 – 2.49 GPA may be considered for provisional acceptance
- High school diploma or its equivalent (the GED is required)
- Statement of purpose
- Three letters of recommendation
- Official transcripts of all previous undergraduate work sent by each previous institution to LLU
- Complete prerequisites listed below

Prerequisites

Courses are listed in general education domain order.

Domain 1: Religion (8 quarter units)

(completed during enrollment at LLU)

Domain 2: Arts and humanities (min 16 quarter units)

Units must be selected from at least three of the following content areas: civilization/history, art, literature, language, philosophy, religion, or general humanities electives. A minimum of 3 quarter units in an area are required to meet a "content area."

Domain 3: Scientific inquiry and quantitative reasoning (min 12 quarter units)

- College algebra or statistics.
- Additional units must be selected from any of the following content areas: biology, chemistry, geology, mathematics, or physics, and one course must include a lab.

Domain 4: Social sciences (minimum 12 quarter units)

- One course (or components integrated into several courses) dealing specifically with issues of human diversity is required.
- Select additional units, as needed, from: anthropology, economics, geography, political science, psychology, and sociology.

Domain 5: Written and oral communication (minimum 9 quarter units)

- English composition, complete sequence that meets the baccalaureate degree requirements of a four-year college or university.
- Introduction to computers.
- Oral communication, public speaking, or interpersonal communication.

Domain 6: Health and wellness (minimum 2 quarter units)

- A didactic course in health or nutrition (e.g., personal health, personal nutrition, population health, global health, and community nutrition) minimum of 2 units
- Physical education. Must include at least two separate physical activity courses totaling a minimum of one quarter unit.

Other

Medical terminology

Elective

Some students may need to complete additional elective coursework to bring their overall course unit total to a minimum of 180 quarter units while enrolled at Loma Linda University in order to meet graduation requirements.

For total unit requirements for graduation, see LLU General Education Requirements

Professional core

Health-care professional units may apply. Details will be discussed on a case-by-case basis with the program director.

Upon successful completion of the program prerequisites, co-requisites, the BSHA Core Curriculum, and elective coursework to satisfy at least 180 quarter units/120 semester units, the Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration degree will be awarded to students.

Financial Information

Tuition and fees are subject to change each year. Students should be prepared to be responsible for all tuition fees, books, and living expenses. Please review LLU's Find a Program website page for the most up-to-date information on the cost of attendance. Financial aid is available. Loan applications can begin before being accepted. For financial aid information, please contact the LLU Financial Aid office at (909) 558-4509.

Curriculum: BSHA Program (5 Quarter)

SUMMER - 13 Units		Units
HCAD 409	Principles of Healthcare (HC) Admin	3
HCAD 461	Portfolio for HC Admin I	2
HCAD 380	Writing for HC Administrators	3
HCAD 385	US HC Delivery & Reimbursement Systems	2
RELT 406	Adventist Beliefs & Life	3
FALL - 13 Units		
HCAD 305	Healthcare Communication	3
HCAD 328	Healthcare Organization Behavior	3
HCAD 374	Healthcare Human Resources	3
HCBL 471	Information Systems Management in HC	4
WINTER - 14 Units		
HCAD 359	Healthcare Marketing	3
HCAD 491	Healthcare Administration Practicum I	2
HCBL 346	Legal & Ethical Environment in HC	3
HCBL 345	Project Management in HC	3
AHCJ 318	EI & Leadership Skills for HC Professionals	3
SPRING - 12 Units		
AHRM 475	Healthcare Research & Stats	4
HCAD 498	Healthcare Policy & Strategy	3
HCBL 434	Financial Management for HC	3
RELE 457	Christian Ethics and Health Care	2
SUMMER - 13 Units		
HCAD 414	Sustainability for HC Management	3
HCAD 462	Portfolio for HC Admin II	2
HCAD 492	Healthcare Administration Practicum II	2
HLIN 430	QM & Perf. Improvement in HC	3
RELR 445	Wholeness and Health (*Service Learning)	3

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LLU at a Glance

>>> Founded in 1905 >>> A Seventh-day Adventist institution integrating health, science, and Christian faith >>> Offers over 200 programs in the health sciences >>> Houses eight schools: Allied Health Professions, Behavioral Health, Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health, and Religion >>> About 4,000 students >>> Over 1,300 faculty >>> 2,000 professional researchers >>> \$46 million dollars in private and public grants generated each year >>> Many service learning opportunities

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