MASTER OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION - ONLINE/ EXECUTIVE PROGRAM

Program Director L. Friedman

Mission
The Executive Master of Health Administration (MHA@GW) degree program will develop leaders who possess the values, knowledge, and skills to achieve optimal delivery of health care.

Overview
The MHA@GW curriculum focuses on developing the leadership and ethical skills needed for persons who seek to create highly effective health care organizations. An MHA@GW degree from the Department of Health Policy and Management incorporates business and medical informatics training, knowledge of health care systems, law, and policy, critical values in decision making, and much more.

The Department’s special strengths include an emphasis on experiential learning and community service, distinguished faculty, research collaborations, and relationships with policy making and health care organizations in Washington, DC. Active alumni (http://smhs.gwu.edu/alumni) and student (http://publichealth.gwu.edu/projects/hsml-student-association) associations foster mentoring, networking, and other professional development opportunities.

Building on our 55 years of experience preparing health care leaders and our recent success in e-learning, the MHA@GW degree is designed for adult learners who possess either clinical or administrative experience in health care delivery. The MHA@GW is designed to be completed in two years but can be completed in five years. Classes are taught in a hybrid model combining online classes (ten weeks in length) and executive format intensive classes.

The MHA@GW curriculum focuses on two main themes. The first is developing the leadership and ethical skills needed for persons who seek to create highly effective health care organizations. Leadership and ethics will be taught throughout the curriculum. Eight online, integrated learning modules include: management and strategy; informatics and decision-science; finance; community and public health; economics and quantitative methods; quality improvement; law and policy; and a capstone seminar. The culminating activities for the MHA@GW are a field-based research project and completion of a leadership portfolio.

Graduates of the program will be expected to:

- Effectively manage organizational change and promote organizational and clinical excellence;
- Manage health services organizations under alternative financing mechanisms;
- Lead and manage human resources in diverse organizational environments;
- Manage information resources to assist in effective decision making and clinical management;
- Use statistical, quantitative, and economic analyses in decision making;
- Have the skills to improve both business and clinical outcomes of health services organizations; and
- Develop the skills to consistently use ethical decision making practices

REQUIREMENTS
The following requirements must be fulfilled: 50 credits in required courses.

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Visit the MHA@GW website (http://mha.gwu.edu) for additional information.

Graduation Requirements
1. Graduate Credit Requirement: 50 graduate credits are required.
2. Grade Point Requirement: A 3.0 (B average) overall grade-point average is required.
3. Time Limit Requirement: The degree must be completed within five years.