BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH SCIENCES WITH A MAJOR IN CLINICAL OPERATIONS AND HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT

As healthcare continues to grow as a core workforce area needed to meet the needs of an aging population, there is an associated increased need for administrative oversight. The bachelor of science in health sciences (BSHS) with a major in clinical operations and healthcare management helps students learn to optimize clinical operations services by seeing the big picture of healthcare delivery and prepares graduates to be administrative professionals in the field.

This BSHS program is an exclusively online. Students may graduate in approximately two years by transferring in up to 60 credits from a regionally accredited institution.

Visit the program website (https://smhs.gwu.edu/cohm/) for additional information.

ADMISSIONS

Admission

Deadline

Fall: July 15

Spring: November 15

Summer: March 15

Standardized test scores

SAT/ACT optional

Recommendations

1 letter of recommendation is required.

Recommendation should be from a high school guidance counselor, an academic teacher, or a previous or current supervisor.

Prior academic records

Transcripts are required from all colleges and universities attended (including via dual enrollment), whether or not credit was earned, the program was completed, or the credit appears as transfer credit on another transcript. Transcripts must be forwarded in their original sealed envelopes. Official transcript may also be sent electronically directly from the institution.

Applicants may receive credit for college-level coursework through International Baccalaureate (IB) or College Board Advanced Placement (AP) examinations. Official score results must be forwarded directly from the College Board. Please refer to GW Undergraduate Admissions (https://undergraduate.admissions.gwu.edu/) for information on maximum credits, minimum scores, and GW course equivalents for AP and IB credits.

Statement of purpose

All applicants are required to submit an essay of approximately 250-300 words. Describe your interest in undertaking study at the George Washington University. What are some of your academic objectives or career goals? Please highlight any of your related qualifications and achievements--including academic, community, professional, or extra-curricular activities relevant to your program of interest.

Additional requirement

The fully online program is only available for transfer students. Students must have at least 45 credits of college-level coursework with a minimum 2.5 overall GPA from a regionally accredited institution of higher learning in order to be considered for admission.

The minimum acceptable grade is C for coursework to be applied toward an undergraduate degree (grades of C- and below do not transfer to GW SMHS programs). Resume is required.

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Prerequisites

Prerequisite courses that must be completed prior to admission: 6 credits in English composition; 3 credits in college mathematics (college algebra, statistics, or above); 3 to 4 credits in natural or physical science with a lab; 6 credits in social sciences; and 3 credits in humanities.

Governor of Virginia’s Health Science Academy

Applicants who have completed a minimum of 24 credits of college-level coursework, and have been admitted by July 1, 2022 to the Governor of Virginia’s Health Science Academy through the Alexandria County Public School system, may apply to the program, provided they have completed the following: 21 credits in General Education prerequisite courses.

Enrollment in at least one course at a regionally accredited institution of higher education during their first fall or spring semester after high school graduation.

International applicants only

This program can be completed fully online. The program is not visa eligible.
Official transcripts from institutions outside the U.S. must be accompanied by an official transcript evaluation from an accredited independent evaluating agency. Please be sure you request a detailed evaluation that includes all course titles, credit hours, grades, U.S. degree equivalency, grade-point averages (GPA), and date of degree conferral. For a list of acceptable foreign credential evaluation services, please click here (https://www.naces.org/members.php).

Applicants who are not U.S. citizens are required to submit official test scores for either Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or Pearson’s Test of English (PTE) Academic or the academic International English Language Testing System (IELTS). The following are the minimum scores for admission consideration: TOEFL: 250 computer-based or 100 Internet-based, PTE: overall score of 68, or IELTS: an overall band score of 7.0, with no individual band score below 6.0.

International applicants who meet the following conditions may be considered for admission without submitting TOEFL, PTE or IELTS scores: They are a citizen of countries where English is the official language (as identified by GW ISO list of Exempt countries) OR; They hold at least a bachelor degree from a country where English is the official language as well as language of instruction OR; They hold at least a bachelor degree from an institution accredited by a U.S. regional accrediting agency.

Supporting documents not submitted online should be mailed to:

Health Sciences Office of Online Admissions
851 Trafalgar Court
Suite 420 West
Maitland, FL 3275

Alternatively, official electronic transcripts can be sent to aconline@gwu.edu.

Contact for questions:
hsphora@gwu.edu
202-994-0384 (phone)
202-994-0870 (fax)
Hours: 9 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 120 credits in required and elective courses; at least 60 of these credits must be taken at GW. General education coursework must be completed prior to matriculation in the program.
INFR 4101 Introduction to Medical Informatics
RAFF 3101 Introduction to Regulatory Affairs

Additional school-specific requirements and electives

Depending on their prior academic record, and in consultation with their academic advisor, students may complete additional coursework to fulfill school-specific requirements. Such courses should be selected from the list below. Alternative options may be approved by the advisor.*

Clinical and laboratory sciences

HSCI 2102 Pathophysiology
HSCI 3117 Principles of Biostatistics for Health Sciences
HSCI 3201 Biology I
HSCI 3202 Biology II
HSCI 3501 Human Anatomy and Physiology I
HSCI 3502 Human Anatomy and Physiology II

Health data analytics

INFR 4103 Programming for Informaticians
INFR 4105 Consumer Health Informatics
INFR 4106 Population Health for Medical Informatics
INFR 4110 Biomedical Data Science
INFR 4198 Medical Informatics Research Project

Topics in healthcare

HSCI 1106 Introduction to Biotechnology for Health Sciences
HSCI 2101 Psychosocial Aspects of Health and Illness
HSCI 2107 Healthcare in Literature
HSCI 2110 Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Concepts
HSCI 2195 Special Topics in Health Sciences
HSCI 4105 Case Studies in Healthcare
HSCI 4114 Healthcare in Developing Nations
MLS 2005 Plagues, Pandemics, and Epidemics

*Advanced standing from eligible transfer credit also may be considered. Credit from non-traditional sources, i.e., other than from academic coursework, may be considered on a case-by-case basis; this may include military coursework, credit by examination, and non-college based health programs.

COMBINED PROGRAM
Combined program

- Dual Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences with a major in clinical operations and healthcare management and Master of Science in Health Sciences in the field of health care quality (http://bulletin.gwu.edu/medicine-health-sciences/undergraduate-programs/dual-bshs-mshs-clinical-operations-healthcare-management-health-care-quality/)