

## Master of Science (M.S.)

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) reported wage and salary employment in the medical and health services management category is projected to grow 23 percent between 2012 and 2022. This growth rate is much faster than other industries. While many of these jobs are for practitioners, nurses, and allied health professionals, many others have duties that do not include hands-on patient care: for example, marketing, human resources, finance, and administration positions.

The MS in Healthcare Management can be an accelerated program, as it allows up to 12 hours to be dual-transcripted with the BS or BSBA degrees. Hours taken for a graduate certificate may also be applied to the MS in Healthcare Management.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, "The demand for health services is expected to increase as the population ages. An aging population will need more medical tests, treatments, and procedures. This will also mean more claims for reimbursement from private and public insurance. Additional records, coupled with widespread use of electronic health records by all types of healthcare providers, should lead to an increased need for technicians to organize and manage the associated information in all areas of the healthcare industry" (U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2012-13 Edition). This degree will help fulfill the need for non-clinical healthcare employees.

### Healthcare management students will...

- Open doors to managerial employment opportunities in healthcare.
- Increase their lifetime earning potential by 50 percent.
- Have an advantage over other candidates at promotion time.
- Enhance their management skills.
- Increase their confidence, maturity, and influence in the workplace.

### Career Planning

Currently, 98 percent of Harrison College of Business graduates find employment within a year of graduation. A St. Louis Outreach Office, located in Chesterfield, Missouri, provides career exploration assistance, résumé critiques, interview tips, job search strategies and more. St. Louis Business Interview Days offers Southeast business students a one-of-a kind interviewing and networking opportunity.

### Admission Requirements

1. Bachelor's degree
2. Undergraduate grade point average of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale (overall or in last 60 hours)
3. Submission of a GRE, GMAT, or proof of active healthcare practitioner's license.
4. A committee will make decisions on approving applications to the program.

### About Our Online Programs

At Southeast, if a program is designated as an online degree, that means you can complete your degree from anywhere, without ever having to come to one of our campuses. As a student in an online class, your faculty will be the same faculty who teach in our campus classrooms. Advising for online programs and other support services are all completed online by staff who specialize in serving distance students.

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This is a guide based on the 2016-2017 Graduate Bulletin and is subject to change. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on factors such as dual enrollment, remediation, and summer enrollment. Students meet with an academic advisor each semester and use DegreeWorks to monitor their progress.

### CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

Recommended sequence of required course work, healthcare management option.

Healthcare Management: 30 hours

**Core Requirements:**

- BA600 Management Communication and Leadership (3)
- BA656 Applied Human Resource Management (3)
- HA580 Management of Health Systems (3)
- HA620 Research Methodology in Healthcare (3)
- HA657 Applied Research Project in Healthcare (3)
- HA658 Graduate Internship in Healthcare (3)

**Choose one option:**

**Administration**

- EC585 Healthcare Economics (3)
- HA510 Healthcare Operations (3)
- HA581 Health Administration Policy (3)
- HA582 Healthcare Budgeting and Reimbursement (3)

**Communication**

- HA585 Marketing for Health Services Organizations (3)
- HL672 Health Promotion Programs (3)
- PY555 Health Psychology (3)
- SC560 Organization Communication (3)

**General** – Choose one course from each of the four structured options

- Administration (3)
- Communication (3)
- Informatics (3)
- Quality and Patient Safety (3)

**Informatics**

- BA630 Integrated Decisions Information Systems (3)
- HA540 Healthcare Informatics (3)
- HA545 Healthcare Database Systems (3)
- MG575 Information Technology Management (3)

OR

- CY501 Introduction to Cybersecurity (3)

**Quality and Patient Safety**

- HA520 Introduction to Healthcare Quality (3)
- HA525 Advanced Healthcare Quality (3)
- HA530 Introduction to Patient Safety (3)
- HA535 Advanced Patient Safety (3)

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