

Health Sciences (Public Health) & Des Moines University's Master of Health Care Administration 3+2

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Students in the Public Health major have the opportunity to study in this dual degree program through our partnership with Des Moines University (DMU). Students interested in pursuing a career in health care administration can add a Master of Health Care Administration (MHA) to their Bachelor's degree.

4-Year Guide

First Year					
Fall Semester			Spring Semester		
FYS ---	First Year Seminar	3 CR	HSCI 021	Professionalism in Health Care	2 CR
HSCI 020	Introduction to Health Sciences	2 CR	HSCI 025*	Introduction to the US Health Care System	3 CR
PSY 001	Introduction to Psychology	4 CR	ELEC ---	Drake Curriculum/Electives (MATH 020: Precalculus ³)	3 CR
BIO 012/L	Pre-Professional Biology I & Lab (<i>SCI AOI</i>)	4 CR	ELEC ---	Drake Curriculum/Electives	6 CR
ELEC ---	Drake Curriculum/Electives	3 CR			
Total Semester Credit Hours		16	Total Semester Credit Hours		14
Second Year					
Fall Semester			Spring Semester		
HSCI 144	Introduction to Public Health	3 CR	HSCI 125/L	Physiology/Lab¹	4 CR
HSCI 102	Health Economics	3 CR	HSCI 146	Human Development Across the Lifespan	3 CR
HSCI 141/L	Human Anatomy & Lab	4 CR	HSCI 060*	Statistics in Health Sciences ² (<i>QUAN AOI</i>)	3 CR
ELEC ---	Drake Curriculum/Electives	6 CR	HSCI 106*	Culture Care & Health Literacy (<i>GLOB/CITZ AOI</i>)	3 CR
			ELEC ---	Drake Curriculum/Electives	3 CR
Total Semester Credit Hours		16	Total Semester Credit Hours		16
Third Year (Apply to DMU MHA Program)					
Fall Semester			Spring Semester		
HSCI 172	Evaluating Research Literature (<i>INFO AOI</i>)	3 CR	HSCI 105	Values and Ethics in Health Sciences (<i>VE AOI</i>)	3 CR
HSCI 143	Epidemiology	3 CR	HSCI 055*	Innovation & Leadership in HSCI	3 CR
HSCI 180	Public Health Programming I	3 CR	HSCI 182	Public Health Programming II	3 CR
HSCI 181	Health Communications & Advocacy (<i>ART AOI</i>)	3 CR	HSCI 108	Intro to US Health Care Policy	3 CR
ELEC ---	Drake Curriculum/Electives	3 CR	ELEC ---	Drake Curriculum/Electives	3 CR
Total Semester Credit Hours		15	Total Semester Credit Hours		15
Total Program Hours: 92					

Click [here](#) to view the remaining MHA requirements.

Bolded courses must be taken in the designated semester unless prior approval by the College is provided.

***Asterisked HSCI courses** have multiple offerings each year; they should be taken within the designated year but can be taken during an alternative semester.

1 = BIO 129/L – Mammalian Physiology or PHAR 125 can be substituted for requirement (courses offered only in fall semester)

2 = STAT 071: Statistics I – an exception to program policy request may be submitted to fulfill this requirement

3 = MATH 020 – A math class is a pre-requisite for the statistics requirement. MATH 028: Business Calculus, MATH 050: Calculus I, or a transfer equivalent are also acceptable.

Electives (minimum 45 credits): Elective credits include [Drake Curriculum](#) requirements not fulfilled by required coursework (outlined below) as well as non-required coursework that permits exploration of and/or advanced study in areas of professional interest within the student's primary degree. Students should review the [student handbook](#) for the complete elective policy. A maximum of 30 graduate level credits can be equated to this undergraduate Health Sciences degree.

Drake Curriculum Areas of Inquiry not fulfilled by required coursework (9 credits): Engaged Citizen, Historical Foundations, and Written Communication.

DMU MHA Course Equates (28 credits): For students who complete the first year of the 3+2 program, DMU MHA coursework will fulfill the following undergraduate requirements, resulting in earning a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences degree.

Electives – 18 credits

HSCI 155 & 156 – Guided Research I & II – 4 cr.

HSCI 196 & 197 – Health Sciences Internship I & II – 6 cr.

If not admitted to the MHA program at DMU, all credit minimums for **Electives must be fulfilled. The senior capstone (**HSCI 155, 156, 196, & 197**) must also be completed at Drake to earn a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences degree.

Students will be required to send an official transcript to the Drake University Office of the Registrar to apply their transfer coursework to the health sciences major requirements. **A minimum of 120 total hours will be required to earn a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences from Drake University.**