

HEALTH ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY

<http://chhs.gmu.edu/hap/index>

Name and description of the field:

The BS in health administration prepares students to become managers and clinicians in a variety of settings, including hospitals; clinics; schools; community health, home care, long-term care, employee health, and managed care organizations; group medical practices; manufacturing, medical technology, and supply organizations; advocacy organizations and professional associations; the insurance industry; and financial consultant services.

Two concentrations are offered:

- Health systems management prepares graduates to serve in entry-level administrative and support positions in many health-related agencies and organizations. The program may be completed on a full- or part-time basis leading to completion of the objectives of the undergraduate BS program.
- Assisted Living administration provides graduate with the operational, marketing, resident care and hospitality services skills required to become effective leaders and managers of assisting living/senior house communities. The program provides exposure to and understanding of, the unique philosophy of assisted living/senior housing relative to choice, dignity, autonomy and quality of life for older adults.

What special skills or abilities are needed to succeed in this major?

This is a major for students with interest in the clinical and health-related sciences. It prepares students to become managers and clinicians in a variety of settings including hospitals; clinics; community health; home care; long term care; employee health; managed care organizations; medical practices; the insurance industry; financial consultant services; manufacturing, medical technology, and supply organizations.

Sample Occupations:

Health Services Administrator	Admitting Officer	Patient Advocate
Health Care Case Manager	Quality Assurance Director	Director of Managed Care
Risk Manager	Medical Records Administrator	Clinical Coordinator
Director of Marketing and Activities Coordinator		

Organizations that have hired recent George Mason University Health Administration graduates include:

Inova Health System	Fresenius Medical Care
Companion Assisted Care	CDR Associates
DISA	Sunrise Assisted Living
Kaplan Clinic	
Arrhythmia Associates	

Print Resources – http://careers.gmu.edu/careerlibrary/wheretostart/nurs_hsci.pdf

Online Resources - http://careers.gmu.edu/onlineresources/nurs_hsci.htm

Whom should students contact for further information?

Jay Shiver, Coordinator	Academic Advising and Transfer Center	University Career Services
Health Administration & Policy Dept	3500 SUB I	3400 SUB I
College of Health and Human Services	703-993-2470	703-993-2370
104 NE Module		
703-993-1955		
hap@gmu.edu		