

Executive Master of Healthcare Administration

Admission Requirements

In addition to the Graduate College minimum requirements, applicants must meet the following program requirements:

- **Baccalaureate Degree** Required.
- **Advanced Degree Requirements for Clinicians** Advanced graduate professional clinical doctoral degree required (MD, PharmD, DNP-Doctor of Nursing Practice, or doctoral degree in other clinical disciplines; exceptions to the doctoral degree requirement may be made for clinical disciplines not characterized by a doctoral degree or for candidates with exceptionally extensive clinical experience). A graduate-level course in biostatistics is a requirement of admission. Matriculants who lack this prerequisite course will be required to fulfill a graduate-level biostatistics course during their first year in the program. Credits earned to complete the biostatistics requirement will not be counted toward the 48-credit-hour minimum to complete the degree.
- **Advanced Degree Requirements for Non-clinicians** No advanced degree required; baccalaureate degree required at a minimum. A graduate-level course in biostatistics is a requirement of admission. Matriculants who lack this prerequisite course will be required to fulfill a graduate level biostatistics course during their first year of the program. Credits earned to complete the biostatistics requirement will not be counted toward the 48-credit-hour minimum to complete the degree.
- **Work Experience for Clinicians** Clinical practice experience characteristics and duration are very important criteria for admission. Admission requires a minimum of three years of clinical practice experience following completion of graduate and postgraduate education and training working in a professional practice organization capacity. Experience in a leadership or supervisory role in a healthcare organization is preferred.
- **Work Experience for Non-clinicians** It is recommended that candidates who are not clinicians have three years of experience in a healthcare organization. Experience in a leadership or supervisory role in a healthcare or related organization is preferred.
- **Tests Required** All EMHA applicants must have achieved the relevant licensure and certification for their clinical and/or professional field.
- **Minimum English Competency Test Score**
 - **TOEFL** 80, with subscores of Reading 19, Listening 17, Speaking 20, and Writing 21 (iBT Test); 60, with subscores of Reading 19, Listening 17, Writing 21 (revised Paper-Delivered Test), plus Test of Written English scores in the range of 5–6, **OR**,
 - **IELTS** 6.5, with subscores of 6.0 for all four subscores, **OR**,
 - **PTE-Academic** 54, with subscores of Reading 51, Listening 47, Speaking 53, and Writing 56.
- **Letters of Recommendation** Three professional references required, preferably from those who know the applicant in a clinical and managerial professional capacity.
- **Personal Statement** Required; addressing the applicant's goals for graduate study and career development. Qualified candidates will

demonstrate prior success and professional experience in a clinical and/or professional role in a healthcare system as well as evidence of leadership potential.

Degree Requirements

In addition to the Graduate College minimum requirements, students must meet the following program requirements:

- **Minimum Semester Hours Required** 48.
- **Course Work**

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
HPA 403	U.S. Health Care System	
HPA 410	Health Organizational Leadership	
HPA 417	Quality Management in Health Services	
HPA 419	Public Health Foundations	
HPA 425	Healthcare Human Resource Management	
HPA 430	Introduction to Health Policy	
HPA 434	Healthcare Law and Ethics	
HPA 451	Health Care Finance I	
HPA 461	Information and Decision Support Systems for Healthcare Administration	
HPA 463	Managerial Health Economics	
HPA 470	Quantitative Methods for Healthcare Managers	
HPA 505	Strategic Planning and Marketing in Healthcare	
HPA 509	Physician Relations: Practice and Leadership	
HPA 525	Population Based Healthcare Services Planning	
HPA 546	EMHA Capstone	
HPA 552	Healthcare Finance II	

- **Comprehensive Examination** None.
- **Thesis, Project, or Course#Work#Only Options** A team#based capstone course which addresses an interprofessional issue in an organization is required. No other options are available.
- **Other Requirements** Students must maintain an overall GPA of 3.00 in the program, in accordance with the Graduate College requirements. Each student must complete a capstone project (HPA 546) and present it to HPA faculty and representatives from the organization. Credit will be granted for completion of the tasks in the published capstone syllabus, and submission of an acceptable paper, presentation, and set of deliverables that is the primary academic product of the EMHA Capstone.
- **Required Non-credit Training** All students in the School of Public Health are required to complete non-credit training (e.g., Information Privacy and Security, Human Subjects Research and Academic Integrity Tutorial). See SPH student handbook for details.