HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BS

More Information

Advising Requirement
Advising is mandatory for this program. Consult your department advisor or program coordinator for information.

E-advising Tools
Students are encouraged to use the interactive e-advising tools that have been designed to help them graduate within four years. These tools can be accessed through the Student Center.

The Bachelor of Science in Health Services Administration prepares students for a range of entry-level administrative positions in health services organizations. These include management and supervisory roles, analyst positions, sales, marketing, and project management in settings including hospitals, clinics, skilled nursing or assisted living, emergency services, as well as in the medical device and pharmaceuticals industries and in public health departments. The health services administration program is one of only three fully certified undergraduate members of the Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) in California.

Grading Requirement

All courses taken to fulfill program course requirements must be taken for a letter grade except those courses specified by the department as credit/no credit grading only.

The BS in health services administration signifies readiness for an entry-level career in specific fields. Most courses have been designated as competency courses and are vital to what a professional in this field should know and be able to do. Students who earn below a C- in those courses are required to repeat the course and earn a C- or higher for the course to count in the major. This includes all upper-division courses required for the major.

Course Requirements for the Major: 63 units

Completion of the following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, is required of all candidates for this degree. Courses in this program may complete more than one graduation requirement.

A maximum of 15 units of internship (courses numbered 189, 289, 389, 489) may be applied to a bachelor’s degree at California State University, Chico.

**Course** | **Title** | **Units**
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ACCT 201 | Introduction to Financial Accounting | 3
ACCT 202 | Introduction to Managerial Accounting | 3
BCOM 300W | Communication in Business (W) | 3
ECON 352 | Medical Economics | 3
MATH 105 | Introduction to Statistics | 3
MGMT 304 | Human Resource Management | 3
MINS 301 | Corporate Technology Integration | 3
PHHA 201 | Introduction to Public Health | 3

**PHHA 328** | Health Equity | 3
**PHHA 330W** | Management Principles in Health Services (W) | 3
**PHHA 331** | The Healthcare Delivery System | 3
**PHHA 430** | Management of Health Services Organizations | 3
**PHHA 432** | Laws, Ethics, and Regulations in Health Services | 3
**PHHA 433** | Financial Management of Healthcare Organizations | 3
**PHHA 434** | Healthcare Quality Management | 3
**PHHA 435/436** | Health Care Policy and Politics | 3
**PHHA 463** | Epidemiology | 3
**PHHA 489** | Internship (a minimum of 6 units is required) | 6
**PHHA 530W** | Health Services Administration Capstone Seminar (W) | 3

Select one of the following: 3

- **MGMT 444** | Managing Project Teams | 3
- **MGMT 447** | Leadership and Motivation | 3
- **MKTG 305** | Survey of Marketing | 3
- **PHHA 320** | Chronic and Communicable Diseases | 3
- **PHHA 323** | International Health | 3
- **PHHA 541** | Health in the Later Years | 3
- **PHHA 579W** | Grant Writing (W) | 3

**Total Units**: 63

Electives Requirement

To complete the total units required for the bachelor’s degree, select additional elective courses from the total University offerings. You should consult with an advisor regarding the selection of courses which will provide breadth to your University experience and possibly apply to a supportive second major or minor.

Honors in the Major

Honors in the Major is a program of independent work in your major. It requires six units of honors coursework completed over two semesters.

The Honors in the Major program allows you to work closely with a faculty mentor in your area of interest on an original performance or research project. This year-long collaboration allows you to work in your field at a professional level and culminates in a public presentation of your work. Students sometimes take their projects beyond the University for submission in professional journals, presentation at conferences, or academic competition. Such experience is valuable for graduate school and professional life. Your honors work will be recognized at your graduation, on your permanent transcripts, and on your diploma. It is often accompanied by letters of commendation from your mentor in the department or the department chair.

Some common features of Honors in the Major program are:

- You must take six units of Honors in the Major coursework. All six units are honors courses (marked by a suffix of H), and at least three of these units are independent study (399H, 499H, 599H) as specified by your department. You must complete each course with a minimum grade of B.
- You must have completed 9 units of upper-division coursework or 21 overall units in your major before you can be admitted to Honors in

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the Major. Check the requirements for your major carefully, as there may be specific courses that must be included in these units.

- Your cumulative GPA should be at least 3.5 or within the top 5% of majors in your department.
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- Most students apply for or are invited to participate in Honors in the Major during the second semester of their junior year. Then they complete the six units of coursework over the two semesters of their senior year.
- Your honors work culminates with a public presentation of your honors project.

Honors in the Major is not part of the Honors Program. Each department administers its own program. Please contact your major department or major advisor to apply.

See Bachelor’s Degree Requirements (https://catalog.csuchico.edu/undergraduate-requirements/bachelors-degree-requirements/) for complete details on general degree requirements. A minimum of 39 units, including those required for the major, must be upper division.

**General Education Requirements: 48 units**

See General Education (https://catalog.csuchico.edu/colleges-departments/undergraduate-education-academic-success/general-education/#gerequirementstext) and the Class Schedule (http://www.csuchico.edu/schedule/) for the most current information on General Education Requirements and course offerings.

**Diversity Course Requirements: 6 units**

You must complete a minimum of two courses that focus primarily on cultural diversity. At least one course must be in US Diversity (USD) and at least one in Global Cultures (GC). See Diversity Requirements (https://catalog.csuchico.edu/undergraduate-requirements/diversity-requirements/) for a full list of courses. Most courses taken to satisfy these requirements may also apply to General Education (https://catalog.csuchico.edu/colleges-departments/undergraduate-education-academic-success/general-education/).

**Upper-Division Writing Requirement**

Writing Across the Curriculum (EM 17-009 (http://www.csuchico.edu/prs/EMs/2017/17-009.shtml/)) is a graduation requirement and may be demonstrated through satisfactory completion of four Writing (W) courses, two of which are designated by the major department. See Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning and Writing Requirements (https://catalog.csuchico.edu/undergraduate-requirements/mathematicsquantiative-reasoning-writing-requirements/) for more details on the four courses. The first of the major designated Writing (W) courses is listed below.

- PHHA 330W Management Principles in Health Services (W)
- PHHA 530W Health Services Administration Capstone Seminar (W)

The second major-designated Writing course is the Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GW) (EO 665 (https://calstate.policystat.com/policy/9585618/latest/)). Students must earn a C- or higher to receive GW credit. The GE Written Communication (A2) (https://catalog.csuchico.edu/colleges-departments/undergraduate-education-academic-success/general-education/#A2) requirement must be completed before a student is permitted to register for a GW course.