PATHWAYS | Health Services Administration

Bachelor of Science in Health Services Administration

COURSE SELECTION

FRESHMAN
• Comm 1000-Develop public speaking skills.
• MATH 1680-Develop quantitative literacy in this pre-requisite for being admitted into the HADM program.

SOPHOMORE
• ACCT 2110 and ACCT 2210-Further develop quantitative and business conceptual skill sets.
• HADM 3000-Accquaint yourself with the fundamentals of the U.S. health care delivery and insurance system.
• HADM 2103- Develop an understanding and knowledge base of medical terms, diseases, and conditions.

JUNIOR
• Enhance and apply analytical and quantitative skill sets.
• Synthesize all previous course material into single Capstone project (HADM 4950).
• Complete required internship course (HADM 4920).

SENIOR
• Courses taken this year further develop knowledge of healthcare management and business processes; enhance verbal and written communication and leadership skills; and learn how to effectively function and operate as part of an integrated team.
• Enhance and apply analytical and quantitative skill sets.
• Synthesize all previous course material into single Capstone project (HADM 4950).
• Complete required internship course (HADM 4920).

ASK FOR ASSISTANCE
• Meet with department advisor to outline application process and requirements for admission.
• Meet with Career Center to explore career options and receive individualized assistance.

GAIN EXPERIENCE
• Seek opportunities to join freshman leadership programs and student organizations etc.
• Job shadow multiple health care administrators, put communication and leadership skills to work, and build university and leadership ties.
• Use LinkedIn (linkedin.com/alumni) to identify past graduates in your major.

• Meet with HADM internship instructor to discuss upcoming internship requirements and interests.
• Meet with HADM faculty to discuss graduate school options and planning for life after graduation.

• Conduct internship interview with HADM internship instructor one semester prior to internship semester.
• Attend job fairs and health care management related professional association meetings (local, state and/or national).

GET INVOLVED
• Follow @AU_HealthAdm on Twitter
• Join Health and Hospital Administration Organization (HHAO).
• Utilize AUInvolve (auburn.edu/auinvolve) to identify organizations of interest, to attend meetings and enhance your resume.

• Pursue leadership roles in HHAO and/or other campus organizations.
• Become a student member of one or more health care management related professional associations (ACHE, MGMA, HFMA HIMSS, AHIMA, etc.)
• Apply for induction into the Upsilon Phi Delta Honor Society (UPD), a prestigious national honor society for healthcare administration, to enhance graduate school applications.

Career Planning

Auburn University Career Center
303 Mary Martin Hall | auburn.edu/career

This field is focused on improving others’ lives through healthcare information technology, cutting-edge research, improved organization, and strong management. The program prepares healthcare leaders to guide these systems and shape policy.

Hospital Administrator
Minimum Education: B.S., M.B.A., M.S.H.A.
Entry Level Salary Range: $51.0K-$97.1K

Health Care Information Data Analyst
Minimum Education: B.S., M.S.H.
Entry Level Salary Range: $36.0K-$51.8K

These are just three options out of many that health service administration majors pursue. For more career options be sure to check out “What Can I Do With a Major In...” on auburn.edu/career.

Long Term Care Administrator
Minimum Education: B.S.
Entry Level Salary Range: $53.9K-$88.5K

Mary Martin Hall, home of the Auburn University Career Center

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