

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT
CONCENTRATION IN ASSISTED LIVING/SENIOR HOUSING ADMINISTRATION
2008-2009**

The MS in Health Systems Management provides students with the skills and tools to work as leaders and executive-level managers in evolving health systems, health policy analysts, or consultants and managers of electronic commerce and technology products and enterprises in the health system. The 39-credit curriculum was developed in response to the demand for advanced health management and policy preparation for a variety of healthcare and allied health professionals. From a community focus, students explore the design of seamless systems of care that provide health services on the life span continuum and how to manage these systems and their impact on outcomes of care using ethical principles.

The concentration in Assisted Living/Senior Housing Administration consists of 39 credits, with 24 credits in the core curriculum and 15 credits forming the major. This concentration prepares students for business and financial management of assisted living facilities. If students have not had recent, broad, relevant experience in the U.S. health system, an additional 3-credit core course (HAP 678 – Introduction to the U.S. Health System) is required; bringing the credit total to 42. The program is scheduled to accommodate working professionals, and usually involves part-time study averaging 6 credits per semester.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants must hold a bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution, with a GPA of 3.00 or higher (provisional acceptance may be possible with a lower GPA, and provisionally accepted students must achieve a 3.00 or higher in their first 12 credits of graduate work)
- Completion of GMU Application for Graduate Study
- Submission of transcripts from all previous college-level studies, a letter of interest, and a curriculum vita
- GRE or GMAT scores for students who have undergraduate GPAs less than 3.00

PROGRAM OF STUDY

	Credits
<u>Health Science Core</u>	24
HAP 501 Business Statistics for Health Systems Management	3
HAP 512 Introduction to Health Services Research	3
HAP 586 Process Improvement in Health Services	3
HAP 621 Management of Health Service Organizations	3
HAP 715 Health Economics	3
HAP 740 Management of Health Information Systems	3
HHS 750 Legal Issues Relevant to Healthcare Administration	3
HAP 790 Health Management Practicum and Capstone Seminar	3
<u>Assisted Living/Senior Housing Concentration</u>	15
HAP 650 Assisted Living and Operations Management	3
HAP 705 Strategic Management & Marketing in Healthcare	3
Electives (<i>select three courses from the following</i>)	9
HAP 662 Aging and Healthcare Policy	
HAP 702 Managerial Accounting in Healthcare Organizations	
HAP 703 Financial Management of Health Systems	
GCH 585 Care & Management of Persons with Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders	
GCH 637 Normal Aging and Health Deviations	

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

HAP 678 (Introduction to the U.S. Health System, 3 credits) is required of all students who do not have recent relevant experience in the U.S. health system.

A graduate course in which a grade of C or below is earned may be repeated only once. Graduate students may repeat no more than two courses. Students must achieve a 3.00 GPA to graduate.

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