

# Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management/Master of Health Services Administration Program (BSHIM / MHSA)



The joint Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management/Master of Health Services Administration Program (BSHIM/MHSA) is offered through the Department of Health Policy and Management and the Department of Health Information Management at the University of Kansas. The joint program allows students to achieve both degrees in five years (on a full-time basis).

Students pursuing the BSHIM/MHSA option will be prepared to assume management and executive positions in health-related organizations (e.g., hospitals, managed care organization, health information system developers and vendors, and pharmaceutical companies) and to bring their expertise in health information management to these positions. Today, as never before, the health care sector is under tremendous pressure to significantly elevate its ability to control, organize, and manage its information resources in efforts to make health care safer and more affordable. **Successfully addressing these challenges will depend on individuals who are well trained in the fields of health information management and health services administration.**

## BSHIM/MHSA Curriculum

Prior to entering the BSHIM Program on the KUMC campus, students must complete the following pre-requisite coursework: Composition, Composition and Literature, Technical Writing, Speaker-Audience Communication, Principles and Biology (with lab), Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Financial Accounting, General Psychology, Elements of Sociology, six hours of humanities coursework, and twenty-four hours of elective coursework. A minimum of sixty-three hours of completed coursework is required for entry into the BSHIM Program.

The following outlines coursework in Years 3, 4, and 5 of the BSHIM/MHSA Program. This coursework would be taken on the KUMC campus. Year 3 would consist of BSHIM courses, while Years 4 and 5 would be a mixture of BSHIM and MHSA coursework and Year 5 would be composed of MHSA courses.

## MHSA Degree Requirements

These courses comprise the current joint curriculum. The faculty may make curriculum changes from time to time.

### Year 3, Fall Term

HEIM 320: Legal Aspects of Health Care (3)  
HEIM 325: Pharmacology (1)  
HEIM 330: Medical Terminology (3)  
HEIM 340: Introduction to Information Systems (3)  
HEIM 360: Record Documentation Systems (3)  
HEIM 380: Principles of Health Care Management (3)

### Year 3, Spring Term

HEIM 415: Health Care Delivery Systems (2)  
HEIM 420: Statistics (3)  
HEIM 435: Fundamentals of Medicine (3)  
HEIM 460: Data Classification Systems (3)  
HEIM 480: Human Resource Management (3)  
HEIM 490: Organization and Administration (3)

### Year 4, Fall Term

HEIM 510: Professional Practice Experience I (1)  
HEIM 540: Information Systems Concepts (3)  
HEIM 560: Coding Systems (3)  
HEIM 580: Reimbursement (3) **or**  
HP&M 836: Health Care Reimbursement Methods (3)  
HP&M 810: The Health Care System (3)  
HP&M 825: Financial Concepts in Hlth Services Accounting (3)

### Year 4, Spring Term

HEIM 604: Professional Practice Experience II (2)  
HEIM 660: Outpatient Coding Systems (3)  
HEIM 665: Topics in Health Information Management (2)  
HEIM xxx: Capstone Project (3)  
HP&M 826: Management Information Systems (3)

### Summer between Years 4 and 5

HEIM 567: Healthcare Quality Controls (3)  
HP&M 814: Health Care Economics (3) EVEN summers, **OR**  
HP&M 835: Health and Social Behavior (3) ODD summers

### Year 5, Fall

HP&M 830: Health Services Management (3)  
HP&M 835: Health and Social Behavior (3) **OR**  
HP&M 814: Health Care Economics (3)  
HP&M 837: Health Policy and Administration (3)  
HP&M 842: Strategic Marketing (3)  
HP&M 880: Internship (3) **or**  
HP&M 880: Research Practicum (3)

### Year 5, Spring

HP&M 824: Applied Concepts in Hlthcare Financial Mgmt. (3)  
HP&M xxx: Elective  
HP&M 840: Strategic Management (3)  
HP&M 845: Health Services Ethics (3)

**Total hours required for Joint BSHIM/MHSA = 158 hrs.**

## Admission Requirement

The BSHIM Program will recruit students for the BSHIM/MHSA Program, with the understanding that applicants to the joint degree program must be able to be competitively admitted to the MHSA Program. **Students who desire to be admitted to the BSHIM/MHSA program will make application during their junior year**, so that they are admitted by the summer between their junior and senior years. Application requirements will include: a transcript that displays a grade point average of at least 3.00; a resume; a personal statement as specified by the MHSA Program; and three letters of reference (one of which must be from the BSHIM Program Director). Students with grade point averages of 3.5 or higher will not be required to submit GRE scores. Students with grade point averages between 3.00 and 3.49 must submit GRE scores. Students will be admitted on a full-time or part-time basis.

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