

BHS in Health Science with Emphasis in Leadership & Policy

Degree Program Description

The leadership and policy emphasis in the health science major prepares students to enter careers in health administration, informatics, sales, or other health related industries. The leadership and policy emphasis may also prepare students for graduate studies in health administration, informatics, public health, policy or law.

The leadership and policy emphasis area includes 20 hours of core required courses, professional emphasis requirements and required electives that complement the student's pathway. In addition, the health science program requires an internship that is appropriate for a student's career goals. Examples of internships include health administration, health consultant, clinical analysis and strategic planning at RehabCare, Health Literacy Missouri, Institute for People, Place and Possibility, Tiger Institute and Cerner Corporation.

Major Program Requirements

In addition to University of Missouri requirements (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/universityrequirements/>), including University general education (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/generaleducationrequirements/>), and BHS in Health Science Core (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofhealthsciences/healthscience/bhs-health-science/>) requirements, students pursuing the Leadership & Policy emphasis must also complete the following requirements, each of which requires a grade of C- or higher.

Emphasis Requirements

ENGLISH 1000	Writing and Rhetoric	3
BIO_SC 1010 & BIO_SC 1020	General Principles and Concepts of Biology and General Biology Laboratory	5
or BIO_SC 1500	Introduction to Biological Systems with Laboratory	
or BIO_SC 1030	General Principles and Concepts of Biology with Laboratory	
CDS 2190	Medical Terminology	3
CHEM 1100	Atoms and Molecules with Lab	4
or CHEM 1400 & CHEM 1401	College Chemistry I and College Chemistry I Laboratory	
COMMUN 1200	Public Speaking	3
ECONOM 1014	Principles of Microeconomics	3
or ECONOM 1000	General Economics	
or ABM 1041	Applied Microeconomics	
or ECONOM 1051H	General Economics - Honors	
HLTH_SCI 3400	Global Health Care Systems	3
or P_HLTH 3400	Global Public Health and Health Care Systems	
HLTH_SCI 4400	Culture and Health Literacy for the Health Professions	3
HLTH_SCI 4500	Health Care Management	3
HLTH_SCI 4510	Essential Tools for the Health Care Leader: A Problem-Based Approach	3

STAT 1200	Introductory Statistical Reasoning	3
or STAT 1300	Elementary Statistics	
or STAT 2500	Introduction to Probability and Statistics I	
or ESC_PS 4170	Introduction to Applied Statistics	
Select one of the following:		3-5
BIO_SC 2100	Infectious Diseases	3
PTH_AS 2201	Human Anatomy Lecture	3
NEP 2380	Diet Therapy for Health Professionals	3
MICROB 2800	Microbiology for Nursing and Health Professions	4
or MICROB 3200	Medical Microbiology and Immunology	
MPP 3202	Elements of Physiology	5
or BIO_SC 3700	Human Physiology	
Approved Person-Centered Care Course (choose one) *This requirement may double-dip with Health Science 4400 in emphasis or Health Science Electives.		3
HLTH_SCI 2310	Perspectives on Disability	3
HLTH_SCI 2850	Inclusion and Equity in Health Care	3
HLTH_SCI 2900	Health Care In Missouri	3
HLTH_SCI 4400	Culture and Health Literacy for the Health Professions	3
HLTH_SCI 4410	Humanism and Health Literacy	3
P_HLTH 2050	Gender and Public Health	3
P_HLTH 4610	Race, Ethnicity, and Health: An Intersectional Examination of Health Inequalities	3
SOC_WK 4390	Helping Strategies With Children and Adolescents	3
SOC_WK 4395	Death, Grief and Loss	3
SOC_WK 4480	Direct Practice with Older Adults	3
Health Science Electives *		18

Students must complete 18 hours of approved elective coursework. At least 9 credit hours must be taken as 3000/4000 level courses. Transfer courses taken at the freshman-sophomore level and accepted as equivalent to a 3000/4000 level course at the University may not count towards the 9 hour upper-level Health Science Elective requirement for the Health Science degree.

* See Health Science Electives (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/electives/health-science/>) for a course list of electives that count towards this requirement.

Semester Plan

Below is a sample plan of study, semester by semester, for the Leadership & Policy emphasis. A student's actual plan may vary based on course offerings, course choices where options are available, and a student's academic/career goals.

First Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
BIO_SC 1010		3 CHEM 1100	4
BIO_SC 1020		2 ENGLISH 1000	3
Humanities course		3 HLTH_SCI 1000	3
Elective		3 HIST 1100, 1200, or POL_SC 1100	3
Elective		3 Elective	3
	14		16

Second Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
COMMUN 1200		3 HLTH_SCI 3700	3
HLTH_SCI 2400		3 CDS 2190	3
STAT 1200		3 2000+ level Humanities course	3
Elective		3 Writing Intensive course	3
Elective		3 Elective	3
		15	15

Third Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
ECONOM 1014		3 NEP 2380	3
HLTH_SCI 3000		1 HLTH_SCI 4200W	3
HLTH_SCI 4480		3 2000+ level Approved Health Science Elective	3
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Elective		3 Elective	3
Elective		2	
		15	15

Fourth Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
HLTH_SCI 3400		3 HLTH_SCI 4510	3
HLTH_SCI 4400 ^{also meets Person-Centered Care}		3 HLTH_SCI 4985	3
HLTH_SCI 4500		3 2000+ level Approved Health Science Elective	3
HLTH_SCI 4975		3 3000+ level Approved Health Science Elective	3
3000+ level Approved Health Science Elective		3 Elective	3
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Total Credits: 120