

DOCTOR OF HEALTH SCIENCES PROGRAM



UNIVERSITY OF
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Expand Your Health Care Career Options

The University of Bridgeport's Doctor of Health Sciences program provides health care professionals with greater knowledge and specialization, and promotes advancing to new levels of leadership. You will sharpen your skills in qualitative and quantitative research, evidence-informed care delivery, assessing public health needs, as well as education and curriculum development in the health science fields.

This hybrid, online course of study offers a flexible format designed to accommodate your schedule. You can tailor the program to satisfy your interests and career goals by selecting either a Health Care Clinician or Health Care Educator concentration, as well as a range of electives. Students can earn the degree in as little as 40 months.



“ UB’s hybrid, online Doctor of Health Sciences program was designed by clinicians and educators to provide students with the analytical, communication, management, research, and educational skills needed to become leaders in the health care sector. ”

Albert Grazia, Ph.D.
Director of the Doctor of Health Sciences Program



Perfect Timing for a D.H.Sc.

The health care sector is projected to generate 2.3 million new jobs by 2024, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. This creates a great opportunity for those already employed in the field of health sciences. By obtaining an advanced degree as this tremendous expansion occurs, you can gain competitive benefits and further your career. Demand is on the rise for doctoral-trained professionals with the skills, abilities, and expertise to serve as administrators, clinicians, and educators in various health care professions and settings.

A FLEXIBLE, CUSTOMIZED EDUCATION

To maximize convenience, the D.H.Sc. curriculum is offered almost entirely online in an interactive learning environment that can be accessed at any time. The only exception is a one-week residency that takes place on our university campus. Our residency offers the valuable opportunity to connect in person with experienced clinicians and experts in the field during workshops, seminars, and lectures.

SUPPORT AND RESOURCES

Our online students receive the full support of the University community. You will regularly engage and collaborate with other students and dedicated, experienced faculty. All essential resources, including those involving information technology services, will be provided to you. As you begin your coursework, a faculty advisor will be assigned to you to offer guidance and advisement throughout the program.



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Tailor Your Degree

Choose a concentration designed to help you attain the specific career trajectory to which you aspire. You will emerge better prepared to take on a role in health care administration, advanced clinical practice, higher education, or research.

HEALTH CARE CLINICIAN

Our Health Care Clinician concentration will prepare you for a leadership position in a broad range of medical environments. You will gain a strong foundation in clinical research, health care strategies that emphasize improving patient outcomes, and assessing public health needs.

HEALTH CARE EDUCATION

Designed for students interested in post-secondary teaching in the health sciences, our Health Care Education concentration provides you with all of the necessary tools for successfully commanding the classroom. The program addresses educational pedagogy, curriculum design, program outcome assessment, and academic administration.



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PROGRAM



Engaging Coursework



CURRICULUM

Courses for the D.H.Sc. degree are available through the fall, spring, and summer semesters, and this 61-credit program can be completed in as little as 40 months.

Core Courses

- Introduction to the U.S. Health Care System
- Global Health Issues
- Health Care Informatics
- Research Methods for the Health Sciences
- Data Analysis and Interpretation
- Fundamentals of Clinical Trials
- Dissertation Seminar
- Dissertation I
- Dissertation II
- On-Campus Seminar



Health Care Clinician Track

- Advanced Disease Processes and Treatment
- Lifestyle and Health Issues
- Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
- Integrative and Complementary Medicine

Health Care Education Track

- Teaching in the Health Professions
- Educational Assessment
- Curriculum and Syllabus Development in Higher Education
- Pedagogy and Teaching Strategies for College Instructors

Electives

- Evidence-Based Practice
- Principles of Health Policy and Management
- Comparative Health Systems
- Principles of Environmental Toxicology
- Medical Toxicology
- Infectious Diseases



Admission Requirements

PROGRAM PREREQUISITES

- Master's degree from a regionally accredited institution with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, or a doctorate from a regionally accredited institution and professionally accredited program of study
- Health care experience, professional credentials, or licensure in a health-related field is preferred

Required Application Materials

- Completed University of Bridgeport application
- Non-refundable application fee of \$75
- Official transcripts from every school attended
- Two letters of recommendation
- Personal statement
- Résumé

Optional Materials

- Writing sample (article that appeared in a peer-reviewed publication in which the applicant is first or second author)
- Interview (may be required at the discretion of the Office of Admissions)

DEADLINES

- June 1 Priority consideration for fall semester
- November 1 Priority consideration for spring semester
- April 1 Priority consideration for summer semester

QUESTIONS

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