

Bachelor of Healthcare Management (BHCM)

Specialization in Gerontology Management



OVERVIEW

As a large portion of our population ages, demand for healthcare managers to coordinate, plan and direct senior health services is expected to grow.¹ AIU's Bachelor of Healthcare Management is designed for those interested in healthcare organizations. The specialization in Gerontology Management helps students prepare to manage healthcare with a focus on senior services such as long-term care, short-term care, home care, rehabilitation, nursing care, community-based services and chronic care.

CURRICULUM INCLUDES

In this specialized curriculum, students can learn about the U.S. healthcare system including its structure, operations, regulations and management with a focus on services for the aging population. This specialization provides students with an opportunity to study healthcare directly across many disciplines in order to help students prepare for a career in healthcare management. For example:

Case Management for Gerontology: students focus on the social aspects of aging including financial planning, housing, legal concerns, health issues, and family/spousal relationships. Life altering conditions which shift life styles, independence and dependence are also discussed along with separation of life-long partners and its social and physiological implications.

Sociology and Aging: students receive an introduction to the psychological aging process. Stages of aging, disorders in the aging process along with perceptual, cognitive personality and interpersonal social human traits are considered.

Counseling for Gerontology: students explore the various medical, mental and physical issues related to aging along with social and financial issues that may evolve with an aging population. Counseling theories and methods are discussed along with a discussion of various counseling services offered.

WE CAN HELP YOU

- Analyze the relationships between costs, quality, and access to healthcare in the U.S.
- Formulate current operations management practices and principles used in the current healthcare environment
- Evaluate potential ethical and legal conflicts in healthcare related to legislative and regulatory issues affecting healthcare

1. Bureau of Labor Statistics, <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/management/medical-and-health-services-managers.htm>
* Not all credits are eligible to transfer. See the University Catalog for transfer credit policies.

COURSEWORK

OUTCOMES

WHY AIU?

AIU offers a streamlined, real-world curriculum and flexibility designed to help you schedule school around your life, not the other way around. Along with industry-relevant undergraduate and graduate degrees, our industry-focused specializations allow in-depth study of the field.

To accommodate busy lives, we offer full- and part-time program options and transfer-in credit* for eligible college, work and military experience, which could cut down on the time it takes to earn a degree.



AIU's Business Degree Programs with all their specializations are programmatically accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP).



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The AIU Bachelor of Healthcare Management degree program combines the required general education courses that provide a liberal-arts foundation with core concepts in healthcare management and specialized courses designed to help provide students with the knowledge, skills and ability to pursue opportunities in health service management for aging populations.

IN-DEPTH SPECIALIZATION

By studying key topics in Gerontology Management to complete the upper division's core specialization requirements, you have an opportunity to focus your interests on the challenges of managing, planning and directing geriatric healthcare services.

TAUGHT BY INDUSTRY SPECIALISTS

AIU's BHCM program is taught by a team of industry specialists who bring their real-world perspectives into the classroom. This

approach can help students better understand the qualities and skills sought in today's fast-growing healthcare industry.

THE ACCREDITATION COUNCIL FOR BUSINESS SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS (ACBSP)

The ACBSP accreditation means that AIU's Business Administration programs meet the rigorous standards of this leading accreditation association. It helps ensure that what we teach is industry-current and industry-relevant in today's business environment and can make your degree more meaningful in the marketplace.



REQUIRED COURSES

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES

ECON220	Microeconomics	4.5
ECON224	Macroeconomics	4.5
ENGL106	English Composition I	4.5
ENGL107	English Composition II	4.5
MATH125	General College Mathematics	4.5
SSCI210	Sociology	4.5
UNIV103	Academic and Professional Success	4.5
UNIV106	Technology and Information Literacy	4.5
UNIV109	Interpersonal Communication	4.5
	Humanities (2 courses)	9
	Natural Sciences (2 courses)	9

Total General Education Requirements 58.5

GENERAL ELECTIVES

A combination of any 8 undergraduate courses

Total General Elective Requirements 36

CORE COURSES

ACCT205	Principles of Accounting I	4.5
BUSN150	Legal and Ethical Environment of Business	4.5
FINA310	Financial Management	4.5
HLTH215	Introduction to Healthcare	4.5

CORE COURSES (CONTINUED)

HLTH225	Health/Public Policy	4.5
HLTH310	Survey of Healthcare Management	4.5
HLTH315	Risk Management in Healthcare	4.5
HLTH325	Quality in Healthcare	4.5
HLTH330	Healthcare and Human Resources	4.5
HLTH335	Research Methods for Healthcare	4.5

Total Core Requirements 45

GERONTOLOGY SPECIALIZATION COURSES

HLTH318	Case Management for Gerontology	4.5
HLTH320	Ethical and Legal Issues in Healthcare	4.5
HLTH322	Sociology and Aging	4.5
HLTH333	Administration Long Term Care I	4.5
HLTH340	Marketing to an Aging Population	4.5
HLTH430	Healthcare Information Systems	4.5
HLTH450	Counseling for Gerontology	4.5
HLTH455	Death and Dying	4.5
HLTH499	Program Capstone	4.5

Total Specialization Requirements 40.5

Total Bachelor's Degree Requirements 180

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