

Master of Health Administration



Our Audience

The UNC Charlotte Master of Health Administration program is an interdisciplinary program designed for administrators in a changing healthcare environment. Attentive to the specific needs of our students, the program addresses the academic and professional expectations of those seeking to establish careers in the field as well as those currently employed in healthcare administration. Our graduates demonstrate competence across the core health administration domains of leadership, critical thinking, health administration sciences and quantitative analysis, management, political and community stakeholder development, and communication.

CAHME Accreditation



Our MHA Program is fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education (CAHME). CAHME is committed to excellence in healthcare administration education and continuous educational quality improvement. Details at www.cahme.org.

AUPHA Membership



Our department is a full graduate member of the Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA), a worldwide organization dedicated to promoting excellence in healthcare management education. Details at www.aupha.org.

Benefits of a UNC Charlotte MHA

Healthcare is undergoing tremendous, rapid, and often unpredictable changes. Healthcare managers need tools to manage and lead change in the face of uncertainty within an increasingly diverse healthcare delivery setting. The number of acute hospitals is expected to decline while alternative healthcare facilities and non-traditional delivery systems will increase. As healthcare funding and reimbursement sources shift from volume-based revenue streams to value-based ones, complexity in healthcare administration will increase. Master's prepared health service managers may work as chief or executive officers, assistants to chief executives, or as directors and managers of departments and units. Examples of the settings where MHA graduates work include: hospitals and hospital systems, physician practices and clinics, long term care facilities, managed care organizations, consulting firms, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, local/state/federal health agencies, health insurance companies, and medical supply and equipment manufacturers.

Excellent Career Earnings Potential

Students pursuing healthcare management careers have excellent earnings potential. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, medical and health services, managers earned an average annual salary of \$103,700 in 2014. The Association of University Programs in Health Administration reported, "Senior healthcare executives with more experience and achievements can earn \$200,000 or significantly more."

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Guiding Principles

Grounded within the Department of Public Health Science, our program reinforces the department's mission to develop leaders in practice and research who advance the public's health.

• Mission

The UNC Charlotte Master of Health Administration (MHA) Program leverages its position within the Department of Public Health Sciences of North Carolina's Urban Research University to prepare national and international students to advance the public's health through competent leadership and management of healthcare organizations and systems.

We pursue our mission through education, research, and service efforts that:

1. Provide qualified and motivated students from a variety of disciplines, levels of experience, and backgrounds – with a special emphasis on individuals and groups historically underrepresented in graduate education – the knowledge, skills, and abilities to become effective administrators and stewards of a dynamic health and healthcare system;
2. Contribute to the body of knowledge related to the design, organization and delivery, evaluation, and leadership of health and health care systems;
3. Apply our expertise to support health leaders and the communities they serve in advancing the public's health.

• Vision

Our vision is to be the premier program in developing healthcare leaders who promote healthy people, healthy places, healthy communities by transforming the health care environment.

• Values

Our program values collaboration, community engagement, diversity, innovation, professionalism, health equity, and social justice.

Professional Enrichment

Our MHA Program directs its modest tuition increment revenue to enriching and strengthening the program. We sponsor the Charlotte Healthcare Executives Student Organization (CHESO), a student chapter of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE). In partnership with the Greater Charlotte Healthcare Executives Group (GCHEG), the regional ACHE affiliate, we provide our students ongoing opportunities for professional enrichment. These activities include conference travel, educational panel events, networking opportunities with early careerists and senior executives, career talks, and mentorship.

Dual Degree Options

We offer formal dual degree options with the Belk College of Business' Master of Business Administration (MBA) program and the intercollegiate professional science master's program (PSM) in Health Informatics. Ad-hoc dual degrees are possible with other programs.

Graduate Certificate Add-ons

Graduate Certificates can add other dimensions of competence to the MHA Program with modest increases in total credit load and time to degree. Popular choices include gerontology, health information technology, public health core concepts, and non-profit management.



Admission Requirements

MHA Admission is considered annually, for a fall start. Applications are due by 15th February for full consideration. General requirements for Master's students at UNC Charlotte can be found on the Graduate Admissions website at: graduateschool.uncc.edu/future-students/admissions.



Applicants to the MHA Program must have a Bachelor's degree from a nationally or regionally accredited school, acceptable scores on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), three letters of recommendation from persons who can reflect upon the applicant's prior academic and/or professional performance and capability for serving as a healthcare administrator, a career goal statement, and a current resume. International students must submit proof of English language proficiency by submitting official test score results from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS).

Competitive Applicant Profile

Competitive applicants typically have undergraduate GPAs greater than 3.0 and GRE combined percentile (quantitative + verbal sections) greater than 90. See program metrics at publichealth.uncc.edu/degrees-and-programs/phs-graduate-programs/master-health-administration-mha/mha-program-metrics for further details.

UNC Charlotte

UNC Charlotte is one of North Carolina's most energetic and responsive public universities, providing quality undergraduate, graduate, doctoral, and continuing education in the liberal arts and sciences, architecture, business, computing, education, engineering, and human services and health professions. With more than 28,000 students, UNC Charlotte attracts a diverse student body from 46 states and 89 countries. UNC Charlotte, located in a thriving metropolitan area of more than 2 million people, has the feel of a small residential campus. Contemporary and dynamic, its pedestrian core is located in the midst of one thousand acres of rolling hills, woods, streams, and ponds.

College of Health and Human Services

The College of Health and Human Services offers professionally recognized and accessible undergraduate and graduate programs that are nationally and globally relevant, and responsive to changing healthcare and human service needs in the state and region.

Department of Public Health Sciences

The Department of Public Health Sciences develops leaders in practice and research who advance the public's health. We are a member of the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health. Our degree programs include Bachelor's programs in public health and health systems management; Master's programs in public health, health administration, and health informatics; and Doctoral programs in public health and health services research. In addition to the MHA program's CAHME accreditation, our public health programs are fully accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH).

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