

Master of Science in Healthcare Policy, Minor in Health Ministry Bioethics

HBI University

Course Duration: 2 years

Credit Hours: 69 (including 15 credit hours for minor)



Program Description

The Master of Science in Healthcare Administration at HBI University provides students with an in-depth understanding of healthcare leadership, policy, and ethical decision-making. This program equips students to navigate complex healthcare systems while ensuring patient-centered care. The Minor in Health Ministry integrates faith-based perspectives into healthcare management, emphasizing spiritual support and ethical considerations in medical decision-making.

Admissions Requirements

- Bachelor's degree in a relevant field
- Minimum GPA of 3.0
- GRE scores (if applicable)
- Statement of Purpose (1,000-1,500 words) outlining research interests and career goals
- Three letters of recommendation
- Academic writing sample
- Curriculum Vitae (CV) or resume
- Interview with faculty (if required)

Foundational Courses (30 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
HCA 201	Introduction to Healthcare Administration	3
HCA 202	Healthcare Policies and Regulations	3
HCA 203	Healthcare Financial Management	3

HCA 204	Healthcare Quality and Safety	3
HCA 205	Strategic Management in Healthcare	3
HCA 206	Healthcare Information Systems	3
HCA 207	Ethical Issues in Healthcare	3
HCA 208	Healthcare Human Resource Management	3
HCA 209	Healthcare Marketing and Communication	3
HCA 210	Health Economics	3

Core Courses (24 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
HCA 601	Advanced Healthcare Leadership	3
HCA 602	Health Law and Compliance	3
HCA 603	Hospital and Health Systems Management	3
HCA 604	Data Analytics in Healthcare	3
HCA 605	Global Health and Policy	3
HCA 606	Community Health and Epidemiology	3
HCA 607	Patient-Centered Care Models	3
HCA 608	Capstone Project in Healthcare Administration	3

Minor in Health Ministry (15 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
HCM 701	Foundations of Health Ministry	3
HCM 702	Spirituality in Healthcare	3
HCM 703	Faith-Based Healthcare Ethics	3
HCM 704	Community Health and Faith Outreach	3
HCM 705	Pastoral Counseling in Healthcare	3

Elective Courses (9 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
ELE 701	Leadership and Ethics in Healthcare	3
ELE 702	Healthcare Innovation and Entrepreneurship	3
ELE 703	Global Perspectives on Healthcare Systems	3

Master's Thesis

The Master's thesis is a critical component of the program, requiring students to conduct original research in their area of specialization. The thesis must demonstrate a thorough understanding of foundational principles, research methodologies, and ethical considerations.

- Develop a research proposal approved by faculty advisors.
- Conduct an in-depth literature review relevant to their topic.
- Collect and analyze data using appropriate methodologies.
- Write a comprehensive thesis (minimum 50 pages) following academic guidelines.
- Successfully defend their thesis before a faculty committee.

Program Outcomes

- Develop and analyze healthcare policies that improve patient care and public health outcomes.
- Apply bioethical principles to healthcare decision-making and policy advocacy.
- Integrate faith-based perspectives into healthcare policy discussions and ethical debates.
- Influence legislative and regulatory frameworks for healthcare institutions.
- Advocate for patient rights and ethical healthcare practices.
- Implement public health strategies that align with ethical and faith-based healthcare values.

Advocacy in Healthcare Policy and Bioethics

Graduates of this program will be prepared to advocate for healthcare policies that prioritize ethical decision-making, patient rights, and faith-based perspectives in public health.

Career Outcomes and Potential Pay Scale

Career Path	Average Salary (Annual)
Healthcare Policy Analyst	\$85,000 - \$140,000
Bioethics Consultant	\$90,000 - \$150,000
Public Health Policy Advisor	\$80,000 - \$135,000
Faith-Based Healthcare Strategist	\$75,000 - \$130,000
Legislative Health Policy Consultant	\$90,000 - \$160,000

Practicum Experience

The practicum provides students with hands-on experience in healthcare policy analysis and ethical healthcare leadership. Students will work in healthcare organizations, public health agencies, or faith-based institutions to gain practical experience in shaping healthcare policies.

Practicum Requirements:

- A minimum of 200 hours of supervised field experience in healthcare policy or health ministry.
- Development of a policy brief addressing an ethical issue in healthcare.
- Submission of a practicum report analyzing policy implementation and ethical considerations.
- Completion of a final presentation summarizing policy recommendations and healthcare ethics research.