



BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH SERVICES

University Profile

The University of Saint Francis was founded in 1890 and has a rich heritage of offering quality education. Rooted in the Catholic and Franciscan traditions of Faith and Reason, the University of Saint Francis engages a diverse community in learning, leadership and service.

Personal attention to students is what makes a USF education so meaningful and enriching to its approximately 2,100 students.

The campus has 108 acres of rolling lawns and trees with 19 buildings and four residence halls that surround beautiful Mirror Lake.

Program Overview

The Bachelor of Science in Health Services degree program is offered to associate degree graduates of health-related disciplines, providing the opportunity for healthcare professionals to advance their degrees and careers. Students build upon their current experience in healthcare to develop skills in health service administration and gain a broader understanding of the complex healthcare environment. Credits from the associate degree are applied to the 128 semester hour requirement for a bachelor's degree. In addition to completion of general education requirements, students complete 21 hours of core courses in health services management. Students select an internship in their area of interest and help design individualized goals. A maximum of 46 semester credit hours from the associate degree professional courses may be applied to the Bachelor of Science in Health Services degree in addition to transferable general education courses.

Purpose Statement

The Bachelor of Science in Health Services program prepares graduates to serve in management roles in today's dynamic health services delivery system.

Admissions Criteria

The applicant must hold an associate degree in a health-related discipline from a regionally accredited college or university. For acceptance to the Bachelor of Science in Health Services degree program, the applicant must:

1. Meet one of the following criteria:
 - Possess an active license or certification in a healthcare discipline
 - Hold an associate degree from an accredited program in a healthcare discipline
 - Be currently enrolled in an associate degree program in the School of Health Sciences at the University of Saint Francis
2. Have a cumulative GPA of 2.3 on a 4.0 scale in college coursework.

Applicants with a professional certificate or diploma must meet associate degree requirements in their healthcare discipline.

Curriculum

The Bachelor of Science degree is awarded after the student completes 128 credit hours indicated in the curriculum plan with a minimum GPA of 2.0 and meets all university requirements for a bachelor's degree. A minimum of 32 credit hours must be completed at the University of Saint Francis.

General Education

(49-52 credits)

General education provides students with a basis for common knowledge, with experiences in integrating and generalizing knowledge and with the skills and motivations needed for advanced learning. General education is intended to provide students with a liberal arts education, to ensure their success in completing a chosen field of study and to prepare them for a variety of life experiences.

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Rhetoric and Composition

Fundamentals of Public Communication

One course each in:

History

Society and Environment

Social Responsibility and Leadership

Writing

Technological Application

Physical Education

Philosophical Ethics

Mathematical Reasoning

Life or Physical Science

Social Science

Creative Expression – Fine or

Performance Arts

Creative Expression – Literature

Theology

Religious Studies

Placement tests are required in computer literacy, English, reading, and math.

Additional courses may be necessary in order to demonstrate competency in these areas or to prepare for more advanced coursework.

Students should consult with their advisor to determine the exact requirements needed to complete their degree.

Healthcare Core

(Up to 46 credits)

Associate degree-level professional courses in Occupational Therapy Assistant, Physical Therapist Assistant, Radiologic Technology, Surgical Technology, Emergency Medical Services, Nursing, or other healthcare disciplines.

Management Core

(21 credits)

Intro. to Financial Accounting	3
Principles of Management	3
Human Resource Management	3
Introduction to Marketing	3
Economics of Social Issues	3
Issues in Healthcare Delivery	3
Internship in Health Services	3

Electives

The balance of credits should be selected from other areas that support and prepare the student for a health services position.

Admissions Procedures

To be considered for admission to the Bachelor of Science in Health Services program at the University of Saint Francis, the applicant must:

- Send a completed application and a \$20 application fee to the Office of Admissions or apply online free of charge.
- Request that an official copy of the high school transcript and/or GED score sheet be sent directly to the Office of Admissions.
- Request that official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended be sent directly to the Office of Admissions.
- Submit a copy of his/her license or certification in the healthcare discipline.

Once the candidate has supplied all necessary documents, the Office of Admissions will make a decision about the student's acceptance to the university.

After notification of acceptance, the student will receive a transcript evaluation from the Registrar, which shows how transferred credits fit within the student's

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planned program of study. Credit is accepted only for coursework which applies toward degree requirements and in which a grade of "C" or better is attained. All full-time students are encouraged to submit a confirmation fee of \$150 within 30 days of acceptance. This deposit is applied toward the first semester's tuition at the University of Saint Francis.

Internship Requirements

In order to participate in internship experiences, completion of requirements as set by the School of Health Sciences and clinical agencies may be expected including, but not limited to, criminal background checks and drug testing.

Financial Aid

Financial aid is available in the form of scholarships, grants, loans, and work study. Over 95 percent of undergraduate students receive some form of financial assistance; most receive more than one type of aid. Early estimator packages are available for dependent students during the fall at www.sf.edu/financialaid.

All students are encouraged to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Priority deadline is no later than March 10.

How do I find out more?

Contact the Office of Admissions at 260-399-8000 or 1-800-729-4732 or visit our website at www.sf.edu.



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