

# 2016-2017 Curriculum Guide for Master of Health Administration Degree

MHA graduates will have the knowledge and skills for management and policy positions in health services careers. Students admitted to the Master of Health Administration (MHA) degree program are assigned faculty advisors who will provide guidance throughout the program. This document serves as a resource to be used by the student and the advisor in planning a program, but is not inclusive of all important degree, college, and university requirements. All students are expected to be familiar with the College of Public Health (CPH) *Graduate Student Handbook* (available at <a href="http://cph.osu.edu/students/graduate/handbooks">http://cph.osu.edu/students/graduate/handbooks</a> and with the *Graduate School Handbook* (available at <a href="http://www.gradsch.ohio-state.edu/">http://www.gradsch.ohio-state.edu/</a>).

#### **PROGRAM OF STUDY**

The MHA curriculum consists of a minimum of 60 credits organized into four curricular domains:

- 1. Core courses in areas of knowledge basic to public health (13.5 credits)
- 2. Required courses (40.5 credits)
- 3. Electives (6 credits)
- 4. Administrative Residency (between year one and two)

## Public Health Core Courses (13.5 credits)

Every student in the MHA program must take the following courses in areas of knowledge basic to public health:

Biostatistics	Design and Analysis of Studies in the Health Sciences I	3 credits
PUBHBIO 6210		
<b>Environmental Health Sciences</b>	EHS Issues in Health Administration	1.5 credits
PUBHEHS 6300		
Epidemiology	Principles of Epidemiology	3 credits
PUBHEPI 6410		
Social and Behavioral Sciences	Preventing Disease & Promoting Health through Behavioral	3 credits
PUBHHBP 6510	Science	
<b>Health Services Administration</b>	Health and Health Care Services in the U.S.	3 credits
PUBHHMP 6611		

# Required Courses (40.5 credits)

PUBHHMP 7601	Economic Analysis of Health Services	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7602	Health Insurance and Payment Policy	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7605	Introduction to Health Policy	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7611	Health Care Law for Managers	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7615	Health Services Organizational Management	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7617	Health Services Leadership and Organizational Change	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7620*	Health Services Finance I	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7621	Health Services Finance II	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7622	Health Services Financial Decision-Making	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7631	Strategic Management & Program Development	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7672	Clinical Rotations	1.5 credits
PUBHHMP 7673	Understanding Health Care Organization Data	1.5 credits
PUBHHMP 7684	Health Services Strategy and Marketing	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7680	Operations Management for Health Service Organizations	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7682	Information Systems for Health Services Organizations	1.5 credits

<sup>\*</sup>PUBHHMP 7620 requires an introductory accounting course as a prerequisite

#### **Electives (6 credits)**

(Choose courses to bring the total credits in your program to 60 credits)

Students can choose electives from a variety of inter-professional disciplines, including (but not limited to) business, public administration, public affairs, nursing, and sociology. A list of approved electives can be found in Appendix E in the CPH Graduate Student Handbook. Other courses can fulfill elective hour requirements with a petition to the MHA Program Director.

## **Administrative Residency**

Each MHA student is required to satisfy a practice placement requirement, which is ordinarily accomplished through an administrative residency during the summer between the first and second academic years.

Complete details on the process for seeking and confirming the residency, as well as detailed policies governing the residency, are found in the CPH Graduate Student Handbook and the Summer Administrative Residency Guidelines.

# Sample Curriculum Plan for the MHA

Year 1	PUBHHMP 6611	Health and Health Care Services in the U.S.	3 credits	AU	
Autumn	PUBHHMP 7601	Economic Analysis of Health Services	3 credits	AU	
	PUBHHMP 7615	Health Services Organizational Management	3 credits	AU	
	PUBHHMP 7620	Health Services Finance I	3 credits	AU	
	PUBHEPI 6410	Principles of Epidemiology	3 credits	AU,SP	
		Professional Development Series		AU	
Year 1	PUBHHMP 7602	Health Insurance and Payment Policy	3 credits	SP	
Spring	PUBHHMP 7621	Health Services Finance II	3 credits	SP	
	PUBHHMP 7672	Clinical Rotations	1.5 credits	SP	
	PUBHHMP 7673	Understanding Health Care Organization Data	1.5 credits	SP	
	PUBHHMP 7680	Operations Management for Health Service Organizations	3 credits	SP	
	PUBHHMP 7684	Health Services Strategy and Marketing	3 credits	SP	
Year 1	Administrative Residency				
Summer					
Year 2	PUBHHMP 7605	Introduction to Health Policy	3 credits	AU	
Autumn	PUBHHMP 7622	Health Services Financial Decision-Making	3 credits	AU	
	PUBHHMP 7682	Information Systems for Health Services Organizations	1.5 credits	AU	
	PUBHBIO 6210	Design and Analysis of Studies in the Health Sciences I	3 credits	AU	
	PUBHEHS 6300	EHS Issues in Health Administration	1.5 credits	AU	
	ELECTIVES		3 credits	ANY	
Year 2	PUBHHMP 7611	Health Care Law for Managers	3 credits	SP	
Spring	PUBHHMP 7617	Health Services Leadership and Organizational Change	3 credits	SP	
	PUBHHMP 7631	Strategic Management & Program Development	3 credits	SP	
	PUBHHBP 6510	Preventing Disease and Promoting Health through Behav Sciences	3 credits	AU,SP	
	ELECTIVES		3 credits	ANY	

#### **Grade Policy:**

In addition to the general Graduate School requirements of a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher, students must meet specific college grade policies. Students should familiarize themselves with Section 11 of the College of Public Health Graduate Student Handbook.

## Office of Academic Programs and Student Services (OAPSS)

OAPSS staff are available to provide assistance with College, Graduate School and University policies and procedures. Students can make an appointment with a staff member in OAPSS by calling (614) 292-8350.

OAPSS address: 100 Cunz Hall/1841 Neil Ave/Columbus, Ohio/ 43210/cph.osu.edu