

# Health Care Navigation

This area of study is designed to meet the demand in the health care industry for professionals with education and training in health care navigation to provide each consumer, provider, and system of health care the highest level of benefit and coordination in the areas of community resources, clinical care, and health insurance. This is a vital role for an individual with a desire for a non-clinical health care service career who, through coursework and experiential learning at Mount Mercy University, develops expertise in navigating all areas of the continuum of health care service and delivery. Additionally, a MMU nursing graduate with a minor in Health Navigation enters the work force with a greater capability for case management, care coordination and nursing leadership roles. A broad background in the liberal arts and sciences provides the foundation for students who wish to develop a better understanding of a very complex system that encompasses a work force of millions. This major will provide the foundation for non-clinical work in advocacy, supervision, management, and policy development.

See the Graduate section (<http://catalog.mtmercy.edu/graduateprograms/>) of this *Catalog* for more information on Graduate programs offered at Mount Mercy. Juniors and seniors *may* be eligible to take up to 13 graduate-level credits through the MMU Plus program.

## Health Care Navigation Major

### Required:

BC 202	Accounting: Information for Decisions <sup>1</sup>	4
HS 200	Organization of Health Care Services	3
HS 205	Essentials and Practice in Health Care Navigation	3
HS 300	Principles of Leadership for Health Care Navigation and Administration	3
HS 309	Analysis and Application of Health Insurance	3
HS 320	Health Care Law, Regulations and Compliance	3
HS 415	Health Care Informatics	3
HS 430	Financial Issues in Health Care Organizations	3
HS 450	Internship in Health Care	3
NU 113	Medical Terminology	1

### Choose Four of the Following: 12

BN 304	Human Resource Management	
EC 251	Macroeconomics Principles	
HS 201	Quality Patient/Resident Care	
HS 220	Health Literacy	
HS 305	Spiritual and Cultural Perspectives in Health Care Management	
HS 399	Special Topics: Health Care	
PO 326	Politics and Public Policy	
PO 353	Politics and Economic Policy in the United States	
SO 343	Global Health	
SW 225	Aging In America	
SW 245	Basic Helping Skills	
SW 300	Human Behavior and the Social Environment	

**Total Hours 41**

<sup>1</sup> Or BC 265 Principles Of Accounting I and BC 266 Principles Of Accounting II. Both BC 265 Principles Of Accounting I and BC 266

Principles Of Accounting II are required prerequisites for the MBA program.

## Academic Requirements

All Health Care Navigation majors must achieve a minimum grade of C in all major HS (Health Services) required courses and prerequisite courses. This applies to equivalent courses transferred from other institutions. Additionally, Health Care Navigation majors must maintain an overall GPA of 2.0.

## Healthcare Navigation Minor

### Required:

HS 200	Organization of Health Care Services	3
HS 205	Essentials and Practice in Health Care Navigation	3
HS 300	Principles of Leadership for Health Care Navigation and Administration	3
HS 309	Analysis and Application of Health Insurance	3
HS 320	Health Care Law, Regulations and Compliance	3
HS 415	Health Care Informatics	3
NU 113	Medical Terminology	1

**Total Hours 19**

## Academic Requirements

All Health Care Navigation minors must achieve a minimum grade of C in all minor HS (Health Services) courses. This applies to equivalent courses transferred from other institutions.

The following is the typical sequence of courses required for the major\*:

### Freshman

Fall	Hours	Winter	Hours	Spring	Hours
Portal		3 CO 101		3 Writing Competency	4
Fine Arts Domain	3			SO 122 or PS 101	3
Literature Domain	3			BI 123	4
Historical Roots Domain	3			Holistic Health Domain	3
Elective	3				
	<b>15</b>		<b>3</b>		<b>14</b>

### Sophomore

Fall	Hours	Winter	Hours	Spring	Hours
PL 269		3 Elective		3 BA 203	3
MA 135	3			BN 204	3
SW 245	3			BA 250	3
SO 122 or PS 101	3			Elective	3
Elective	3			Elective	3
	<b>15</b>		<b>3</b>		<b>15</b>

### Junior

Fall	Hours	Winter	Hours	Spring	Hours
HS 200		3 Religious Studies Domain		3 Internship	3

HS 201	3	HS 300	3
HS 205	3	HS 320	3
BC 202	4	Elective	3
		PO 326 or 353	3
	<b>13</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>15</b>

**Senior**

Fall	Hours	Winter	Hours	Spring	Hours
HS 309		3 HS 430		3 Global Awareness Domain	3
BN 304	3			HS 415	3
HS 305	3			Internship	3
Elective	3			ME 450	1
				Elective	2
	<b>12</b>		<b>3</b>		<b>12</b>

**Total Hours: 123**

*Note: Elective courses could be used for a second major, a minor, a course of interest, internship or study abroad experience.*

*Note: See the Curriculum section (<http://catalog.mtmercy.edu/curriculum/#corecurriculumtext>) for more information on Portal, Competency, Domain, and Capstone courses.*

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