

# DOCTORATE IN HEALTH SCIENCES CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS

## Doctorate in Health Sciences (DHS): 54 Credits

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Name:		Student ID:		Date:		Entry Term:	
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**EX** = Excused   **IP** = In Progress   **R** = Required   **S** = Satisfied   **TR** = Transferred

Students seeking to earn the DHS degree must complete 45 credits of core courses--Preparation for Doctorate Studies & Research Foundations, Professional Practice, Health Sciences, Environment and Global Health (33 credits), and Culminating Research Project: Quality Improvement Intervention (12 credits). Students must also complete one of four 9-credit certificates from one of the following: Healthcare Informatics, Health System Leadership, Academic Leadership, or Lifestyle Management.

### Required Foundation Courses (33 Credits)

#### Preparation for Doctorate Studies and Research Foundations (6 Credits) - Required for DHS Degree

Course	Prereq	Term	Notes
DHS 8013 Scholarly Writing and Presentations	None		
DHS 8023 Evidence-Based Principles and Practices	None		

#### Professional Practice (9 Credits) - Required for DHS Degree

Course	Prereq	Term	Notes
DHS 8103 Management of Teams and Cultural Competence	None		
DHS 8113 Teaching for Healthcare	None		
DHS 8123 Emerging Technologies in Healthcare	None		

#### Health Sciences (9 Credits) - Required for DHS Degree

Course	Prereq	Term	Notes
DHS 8203 Ethical Decisions in Healthcare	None		
DHS 8213 Healthcare Inequities	None		
DHS 8223 Policy & Legality in Healthcare	None		

#### Environment and Global Health (9 Credits) - Required for DHS Degree

Course	Prereq	Term	Notes
DHS 8303 Global Health	None		
DHS 8313 Human and Planetary Health	None		
DHS 8323 Environmental and Occupational Health	None		

### One Required Certificate: Choose From One of the Following Four Certificates (9 Credits)

#### Healthcare Informatics Graduate Certificate (9 Credits)

Course	Prereq	Term	Notes
DHS 7013 Information Systems and Healthcare	None		
DHS 7023 Healthcare Regulation	None		
DHS 7033 Health Informatics	None		

Health System Leadership Graduate Certificate (9 Credits)			
Course	Prereq	Term	Notes
DHS 7113 Leadership Competencies	None		
DHS 7123 Organizational Behavior and Diversity	None		
DHS 7133 Collaboration & Strategic Planning	None		
Academic Leadership Graduate Certificate (9 Credits)			
Course	Prereq	Term	Notes
DHS 7213 Program and Curriculum Development	None		
DHS 7223 Adult Learning Theories	None		
DHS 7233 Accreditation Preparation	None		
Lifestyle Management Graduate Certificate (9 Credits)			
Course	Prereq	Term	Notes
DHS 7313 Lifestyle Management in Healthcare	None		
DHS 7323 Integrative Healthcare	None		
DHS 7333 Behavioral Health and Holistic Care	None		
Required Culminating Research Project: Quality Improvement (QI) Intervention (12 Credits)			
All Required 33 Required Foundation Credits Must be Completed Before Starting QI Sequence			
Course	Prereq	Term	Notes
DHS 8903 Quality Improvement Proposals	Required + Certificate		
DHS 8913 Data Collection and Intervention	DHS 8903		
DHS 8923 Data Analysis and Evaluation	DHS 8903, 8913		
DHS 8933 Disseminating Research Findings	DHS 8903, 8913, 8923		
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