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About Program

This accelerated dual-degree program was designed for accomplished, motivated healthcare practitioners educated at the bachelor's level who desire a clinically-applicable, post-professional interdisciplinary doctoral degree.

The program is specifically appropriate for those practitioners who have a strong desire to teach within the health disciplines at the graduate level or assume advanced professional and institutional leadership roles within the health care delivery system.

The combined MHS/DHS provides rigorous academic exposure to a wide range of topics pertinent to clinicians, health administrators, and health professions educators, including epidemiology, healthcare finance, statistics and research methods, conflict resolution, leadership studies, professional writing, health policy, global health issues, evidence-based medicine, medical informatics, and medical quality assurance/risk management. Students have the opportunity to engage in internships within their home community and capstone research experiences.

Graduates are equipped with the knowledge, skills, and experience to expand their professional roles in both clinical and non-clinical arenas. Study is primarily non-residential, and utilizes state of the art on-line course platforms that permit synchronous and asynchronous learning experiences.

Students are required to attend two one-week on-campus institutes during the doctoral portion of their studies.

This accelerated track permits the motivated student to earn both a Masters and Doctoral degree from a respected, regionally-accredited research institution with 80 credits of course content, completed within 3-7 years of study.

To be eligible to receive the M.H.Sc. and D.H.Sc. degrees, students must:

- be of good moral character
- satisfactorily complete the 21 credits in the M.H.Sc. and the 61 credits in the D.H.Sc. programs
- receive a recommendation by the M.H.Sc. and D.H.Sc. program directors to the dean of the College of Allied Health and Nursing

The M.H.Sc. degree can be awarded upon completion of 44 credits (the 21 credits of the M.H.Sc. core courses and the D.H.Sc. Ethics Course, the Research D.H.Sc. course, a four credit D.H.Sc. course of the student's choice, DHS 8125 Preparation for the Internship/Practicum (1 credit) and the D.H.Sc. Internship and Practicum courses). These requirements are effective for dual degree program students who matriculate in the Fall semester of 2011 and after.