Dual MBA/MHA

A joint degree program administered through the Trulaske College of Business and the Health Management and Informatics Department of the School of Medicine is available for those students who wish to earn a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree and a Master of Health Administration (MHA) degree simultaneously. Individuals interested in pursuing a managerial career in the medical services area will find that this program provides them with a valuable set of skills to excel in this rapidly growing field. If earned separately, each degree would take two years. The dual program allows students to graduate with both degrees in a total of three years.

Application/Admission

Students enrolled in the joint-degree program must apply to and meet the admission requirements of both programs, and admission to each program is competitive. Entry to both the MHA degree program is restricted to the fall and entry to the Crosby MBA program is in either the spring or fall. Students should take the GMAT or the GRE as part of the application process. Advisors from each program work together so that student course schedules are optimized throughout the three years.

Curriculum

The curriculum has been designed so that business essentials are addressed by courses in at least one of the departments, and then specialized courses are pursued in the upper levels. Dual program waivers for MBA classes are based upon equivalent offerings in the MHA program (e.g. Business Law is waived and Health Care Law is taken).

Internships

During one summer students complete a 12-week internship in an approved health organization under the guidance of a qualified and motivated preceptor. Internships allow students to apply knowledge and develop skills as they increase their understanding of the complex relationships within health-care organizations. Internship sites are located throughout the United States. Student interns usually are paid a monthly stipend by the host organization.
Career Opportunities

MBA/MHA graduates are sought after by integrated health systems, physician group practices, corporate health systems, home health agencies, hospices, public health agencies, and many others. After requisite experience, administrators assume leadership positions as hospital CEOs, managed care executives, partners in consulting firms, and officers in major healthcare companies.

CROSBY MBA PROGRAM REQUIRED COURSES
(43 credits required*, including 6 from MHA)

FALL COURSES
- Management 7970 - Intro to Strategy (1.5)
- Management 7420 - Statistics for Managers (1.5)*
- Management 7470 - Data Analysis for Managers (1.5)
- Management 7400 – Managerial Analytics (Data Modeling) (1.5)
- Marketing 7460 - Managerial Marketing (1.5)*
- Marketing 7470 - Advanced Marketing Management (1.5)*
- Business Administration 7050 - Communication (1.5)
- Business Administration 7340 - Ethics + Leadership (1.5)
- Accountancy 7310 - Accounting for Managers (3)*
- Finance 7210 – Microeconomics for Business (1.5)*
- Finance 8350 - Financial Statement Analysis 1 (1.5)*

SPRING COURSES
- Management 7430 - Operations Strategy (1.5)*
- Finance 7410 - Managerial Finance 1 (1.5)*
- Finance 7420 - Managerial Finance 2 (1.5)*
- Business Admin 8020 - Seminar 2: Global Focus and required case competition (1)
- Management 8970 - Strategy and Global Competitiveness (1.5)

ELECTIVES
- Marketing Upper Level – 3
- Finance Upper Level – 3
- MBA Open Choice – 6
- MHA Electives – 6

*These courses may be waived based on prior course work and acceptable grades. However, a minimum number of graduate credits is still required for each program.

Note: All courses listed above may be only offered once per year. The above listing is the tentative schedule of which semester each class will be offered in. 1.5 credit courses are offered in either the first 8 weeks or the second 8 weeks of the semester. Students will work with both MHA and MBA advisors to schedule classes over the 3 years a student is in both programs.
MHA REQUIRED COURSES
(54 credits required, including 9 elective hours from MBA)

Fall Courses

Year 1
HMI 7410 – Introduction to the U.S. Health Care System (3)
HMI 7471 – Introduction to Accounting and Finance in Health Care (3)
HMI 8460 – Administration of Health Care Organizations (3)
HMI 8544 – Managerial Epidemiology (3)

Year 2
HMI 7430 – Introduction to Health Informatics (3)
HMI 8470 – Strategic Planning and Marketing for Health Care Organizations (3)
HMI 8472 – Financial Management for Health Care Organizations (3)

Summer Course
HMI 8689 – Field Experience in Health Management and Informatics (Internship) (3)

Spring Courses

Year 1
HMI 8461 – Managing Human Resources in Health Care Organizations (3)
HMI 8524 – Health Economics (3)
HMI 8573 – Decision Making for Health Care Organizations (3)

Year 2
HMI 8453 – Executive Management Studies (3)
HMI 8571 – Decision Support in Health Care Systems (3)
HMI 8574 – Health Care Law (3)
HMI 8575 – Health Policy and Politics (3)

To be taken during any semester
Nine hours of MBA credit as MHA electives (9)

Note: All courses listed above are offered only in the semester designated above. Year 1 courses must typically be taken before Year 2 courses, although exceptions may be made in some cases. Students will work with both MHA and MBA advisors to schedule classes over the three years a student is in both programs.

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