HEALTH POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION

Learning Outcomes

Master of Health Administration (M.H.A.)

1. Graduates will demonstrate a thorough understanding of the financing, organization, and delivery of health services, along with appropriate research methods.
2. Graduates will master the current literature on health policy, health administration, and related topics.
3. Graduates will complete an independent research project that significantly furthers knowledge in the field.
4. Graduates will be able to effectively communicate arguments and ideas in oral presentations and written works.
5. Graduates will demonstrate knowledge of professional standards in health policy and administration.

Master of Science (M.S.)

1. **KNOW:** Define key conceptual, theoretical and empirical frameworks related to the field of health policy and administration.
2. **THINK:** Recognize and interpret seminal and current theoretical and empirical literature in the field of health policy and administration.
3. **THINK:** Describe and evaluate how analytical and empirical methods are used to answer research questions in the field of health policy and administration.
4. **APPLY/CREATE:** Assemble and summarize research related to a topic within the field of health policy and administration; propose a relevant and answerable research question and design a strategy to answer that question.
5. **APPLY/CREATE:** Formulate, plan and execute an independent research project culminating in a thesis that contributes to the body of knowledge in the field of health policy and administration.
6. **COMMUNICATE:** Describe and interpret the context, methods, results and conclusions of an independent research project in the form of a written thesis and oral defense.
7. **PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE:** Demonstrate knowledge of professional standards and research integrity in the field of health policy and administration.

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)

1. **KNOW:** Define and explain key conceptual, theoretical and empirical frameworks related to the field of health policy and administration broadly and in a specialized or interdisciplinary area.
2. **THINK:** Interpret, appraise and critique seminal and current theoretical and empirical literature in the field of health policy and administration broadly and in a specialized or interdisciplinary area.
3. **THINK:** Describe, differentiate, evaluate and apply analytical and empirical methods used to answer research questions in the field of health policy and administration broadly and in a specialized or interdisciplinary area.
4. **APPLY/CREATE:** Review and synthesize research related to one or more topics within a specialized field or interdisciplinary area of health policy and administration; identify areas within those topics where expanding the frontier of knowledge is valuable; propose a cohesive set of relevant and answerable research questions; design research strategies to answer those questions.
5. **APPLY/CREATE:** Formulate, plan and execute an independent research project culminating in a dissertation that significantly furthers knowledge in a specialized field or interdisciplinary area of health policy and administration.
6. **COMMUNICATE:** Motivate, describe, interpret, and evaluate the context, methods, results, and conclusions of an independent research project in a specialized field or interdisciplinary area of health policy and administration in the form of a written dissertation and oral defense.
7. **PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE:** Demonstrate knowledge of professional standards and research integrity in the field of health policy and administration broadly and in a specialized or interdisciplinary area.