

Healthcare Business Administration, M.B.A.

Degree Offered

- Master of Business Administration

Nature of the Program

The HMBA program includes 30-credit hours of graduate-level course work in all the functional areas of business, delivered with a healthcare lens, where students will take deep dives in cases, assignments and real word applications of the business of healthcare. The program is taught by expert faculty who understand the intersection of business and healthcare and executive professionals who are industry leaders. Students will have the opportunity to apply the knowledge they've acquired through the program in an applied innovation course. The online courses are delivered in 8-week segments that are primarily asynchronous but will offer students the opportunity to work in talented teams and participate in virtual synchronous experiential learning.

Academic Standards

In addition to the University's academic and professional standards (<http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/enrollmentandregistration/>), students enrolled in a John Chambers College of Business and Economics master's degree program must also abide by the following standards:

- Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 to earn a degree from their graduate program, without exception.
 - A student who cannot mathematically meet the 3.0 GPA requirement to successfully complete the degree, within a reasonable period of time (as defined by the Program Coordinator or designee), will be dismissed from their academic program. Visit the Probation, Suspension, and Dismissal (<http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/enrollmentandregistration/#probationsuspensionanddismissal>) section of the University's Graduate Catalog for more information about this topic.
- Students must follow the professional standards established by their college, degree program and/or department. A student who violates the established professional standards may be placed on probation or dismissed from their program.
- A student whose cumulative GPA falls below 2.75 will automatically be placed on academic probation.
 - A student will be dismissed from their program if their GPA is not raised to 2.75 by the end of their subsequent semester of enrollment.
- A student will be dismissed from their program if they earn a letter grade below C- in more than one required course.
- A student who earns a letter grade of D or F in any required course must repeat the course and earn a minimum letter grade of C-.
 - Any grade earned in a repeated course at the graduate level is included in the calculation of a student's overall and major GPA, along with the original grade earned in the course. Additionally, the original grade earned in the course will remain on the student's academic transcript/permanent record. Visit the Grades (http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/advisingcoursesdegrees/advising_and_evaluation/#gradestext) section of the University Graduate Catalog for more information about this topic.

Any exceptions to the above standards must be approved in writing by the Associate Dean for Graduate Programs **and** the Program Coordinator.

Admissions for 2026-2027

The HMBA Admissions Committee is made up of John Chambers College of Business and Economics faculty. The Committee reviews applications holistically and will admit students based on strength of their admissions application and potential to succeed in this program.

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Accepted students begin the program in the fall term.

HMBA Admissions Requirements:

- Transcripts. Applicants must have had a minimum undergraduate grade point average of 2.75 to be considered for admission.
- Resume
- A one-page personal statement
- One letter of recommendation from an individual who is not a family member or friend and can provide information about their academic promise, ability to work with others, professionalism, and potential to succeed in this program

Applicants must send their official transcript from the undergraduate institution that granted the bachelor's degree. It is preferred that official transcripts be sent via an online, secure service such as eScrip-Safe (<https://escrip-safe.com/signup/>), National Student Clearinghouse (<https://studentclearinghouse.org/>), or Parchment (<https://www.parchment.com/>) to graduateadmissions@mail.wvu.edu. Alternatively, sealed, untampered, physical official transcripts can be sent to:

WVU Hub
P.O. Box 6004
Morgantown, WV 26506

International Applicants and Express Mail

International applicants and applicants using express mail, use the address below:

WVU Hub
62 Morrill Way - Suite 220
Morgantown, WV 26506

*International students are required to submit a TOEFL, IELTS, or Duolingo score. Applicants must have a TOEFL-ibt of 79. If you have taken the IELTS, the minimum score must be 6.5, and the minimum Duolingo score is a 105. English language exam scores should be sent to the Office of Admissions, West Virginia University, PO Box 6009, Morgantown, WV 26506-6009.

Major Code: 2111

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
A program GPA of 3.0 is required by the Chambers College.		
HMBA 611	Healthcare: Management Information Systems	3
HMBA 612	Healthcare - Managerial and Team Skills	3
HMBA 621	Healthcare Analytics	3
HMBA 622	Healthcare Finance- Reporting and Analysis	3
HMBA 626	Health Economics	3
HMBA 633	Healthcare Leadership & Cultural Competency	3
HMBA 634	Healthcare Services Marketing	3
HMBA 638	Healthcare Supply Chain Management	3
HMBA 656	Law and Medicine	3
HMBA 661	Healthcare Innovation and Commercialization	3
Total Hours		30

Major Learning Goals

HEALTHCARE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Learning Goal 1: Students will be able to integrate both managerial and financial expertise across the various business functional areas while applying a healthcare lens.

Learning Goal 2: Students will be able to identify problems, collect appropriate data and analyze the data to make informed healthcare management decisions.

Learning Goal 3: Students will be able to effectively communicate and articulate a succinct business analysis in a healthcare environment.

Learning Goal 4: Students will be able to make healthcare management, personnel and patient-based decisions in an inclusive, ethically sensitive and socially responsible manner.

Learning Goal 5: Students will be an effective healthcare leader who influences people toward the attainment of organizational goals and benefits all stakeholders.