

**Population Health Management
College of Nursing and Health Sciences
Leading to the Degree of Master of Science (M.S.)**

Purposes

The Master of Science in Population Health Management prepares students to be advanced practitioners in the emerging field of Population Health Management. Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Critically analyze community, socioeconomic and individual factors that influence health and wellbeing.
2. Develop contemporary, innovative and collaborative healthcare management approaches to improve health outcomes.
3. Apply evidence-based knowledge to practice to promote valued-based care.

Admissions Requirements and Process- MS in Population Health Management

Note: To expedite responses to inquiries, please use email for all correspondence to Dr. Linda Collins (lcollins@southeastern.edu)

In applying to our program, some information goes directly to Graduate Admissions and some directly to our program (see below). This information may be submitted in any order, but all must be submitted by the stated application deadline (see our website for deadlines and other information).

Application Deadlines: (If the deadline falls on a weekend or holiday, the application is due the next business day.)

- **Fall-** June 30th
- **Spring-** November 1st

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University Graduate Admissions Application Process

Online application:

[Apply online](#) selecting “Graduate” application and Population Health Management
Pay online fee (Applications may not be submitted without paying application fee except for international/ military applicants. If you subsequently apply for a later semester, you must submit a new application.)

[Immunization Form](#)

To facilitate the process of submitting the immunization paperwork, you may want to consider completing the waiver on the second page. You may scan and send the form (see below for contact information) or mail to: **Graduate Admissions, SLU 10752, Hammond, LA 70402.**

Transcripts

Submit ALL transcripts for ALL post-secondary institutions attended during the online application process (even if you did not earn a degree). If you have any concerns or questions regarding transcripts, please email to admissiondocs@southeastern.edu or mail to: **Graduate Admissions SLU 10752, Hammond, LA 70402.**

For full admission, the following must be met:

1. A completed health or science-related degree. The health and science related degrees could include Health Sciences, Human Sciences, Psychology, Physiology, Biology, Social Sciences, Kinesiology, Health Systems Management, Communication Science Disorders, Nursing, Social Work or related studies.
2. A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for all undergraduate work.
3. Completion of prerequisite courses with evidence of academic study and/or acquired knowledge of:
 - Medical terminology
 - Research methods
 - Statistics
 - A course in human disease and/or pathophysiology
4. A one-page letter of intent detailing your interest in Population Health Management.
5. Two letters of recommendation.

Graduate Admissions Contacts:

For questions about transcripts and immunizations, please contact Erin Lauderdale via email at erin.lauderdale@southeastern.edu or phone 985-549-5619. For questions about International Admission requirements, please contact Anne Conrad via email at anne.conrad@selu.edu or phone 985-549-5910.

Review of Applications and Admissions Interviews:

Program Application Admission Deadlines for Fall Admission, all application materials must be submitted to the Graduate Coordinator no later than **June 30**. For Spring Admission, all application materials must be submitted to the Graduate Coordinator no later than **November 1**.

Upon evaluation of application materials, qualified applicants may be invited to participate in an interview. Interviews may be on campus or held via video conferencing.

Admission notification

Admission to the Population Health Management program is selective and requires a favorable evaluation by the Population Health Management Program Admissions Committee. Within 14 days after participation in the program admission interview, all applicants will be notified via email regarding the admissions decisions.

Requirements for Degree Program Retention and Progression

Students enrolled in the program will be required to complete all coursework, earning no less than a “B” in all courses; and earning a passing score on their capstone project.

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1. A student must earn a “B” in each course in the program to be eligible for progression.
2. A student who earns a grade below a “B” will be placed on probation and must repeat the course and earn at least a “B.” If a grade below a “B” is earned in the subsequent course, the student may be dismissed from the program.
3. A student who earns more than two grades of “W” in the program is not eligible for progression. A student may appeal progression for extenuating circumstances. “W” grades received as a result of an approved resignation from the University are not included in this calculation.
4. A student who earns a “D” or “F” in any course taken for graduate credit may be ineligible for further graduate work. A student who earns a “D” or “F” because of extenuating, nonacademic circumstances may appeal for readmission.
5. The College of Nursing and Health Sciences reserves the right to investigate situations which may affect the student’s ability to function. In addition, a physician’s release may be required. Students who have health conditions that may prevent their meeting the Graduate Studies 417 objectives of the program or a course in the program or that may cause potential injury to the student or the patients for whom they care, will be required to have a personal interview with the Department Head or Dean or with an appropriate College of Nursing and Health Sciences committee.
6. Drug testing will be required prior to enrollment in the capstone course.
7. Federal background check will be required prior to enrollment in the capstone course.
8. Students enrolled in the capstone course are required to meet other agency requirements.

Curriculum

There are two paths students may choose from: **Accelerated** path or **Traditional** path. The Accelerated path may be completed in one year and will require full-time enrollment during the regular semesters along with summer and intersessions. The Traditional path may be completed in two years.

Accelerated Path

Fall Semester

PHM 601	Essentials of Population Health Science.....	3 hours
PHM 602	Research Science and Translation.....	3 hours
PHM 603	Introduction to Biostatistics.....	3 hours
PHM 605	Epidemiology and Health Determinants.....	3 hours
	Spring Intersession *Elective.....	3 hours

Spring Semester

PHM 610	Wellness, Disease Prevention and Management.....	3 hours
PHM 611	Healthcare Systems Management and Project Management...	3 hours
PHM 612	Health Informatics.....	3 hours
PHM 613	Health Leadership, Economics and Policy.....	3 hours
	Summer Intersession *Elective.....	3 hours

Summer Semester

PHM 621	Research Science and Dissemination.....	2 hours
PHM 635	Capstone Project.....	3 hours
Total	35 hours

Traditional Path

Students on the traditional path are required to take two courses per semester along with an intersession elective. Towards the completion of their program, students are required to take a research class and capstone project to consolidate their learning. Students will complete 35 hours in total for their program.