

HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP, COMBINED DEGREE PATHWAYS

Enrollment in a combined pathway allows highly qualified, undergraduate students to work on the Master of Business Administration in Healthcare Leadership while completing the bachelor's degree. Up to 12 credits of designated master's courses are incorporated into the bachelor's degree program and will count toward both the bachelor's degree and the master's degree.

Empire State University currently offers combined pathways to the MBA in Healthcare Leadership to its own undergraduates as well as qualified undergraduates of SUNY Canton.

The Pathways

Undergraduate students of **Empire State University** may seek the following combined degree pathway:

- B.S. in Allied Health to MBA in Healthcare Leadership

Undergraduate students of **SUNY Canton** may seek the following combined degree pathway:

- B.S. in Healthcare Management (through SUNY Canton) to M.B.A. in Healthcare Leadership

ADMISSION for SUNY Empire Students

Admission into the combined programs is highly selective. To be considered for admission into a combined pathway, applicants must complete an undergraduate application and meet the following requirements:

- Minimum 3.2 GPA (recalculation of up to the last 60 credits earned); and
- Transferring no more than 92 credits at the time of application.

In addition to the above, candidates must have completed 60 or more undergraduate credits and the following academic prerequisites or their equivalent with a C or better, to be offered official admission¹:

- Statistics (3 credits);
- Microeconomics (3 credits); and
- Accounting (3 credits).

Please see the **Undergraduate Admission page** for a complete listing of materials required to complete an undergraduate application.

ADMISSION for SUNY CANTON Undergraduates

Admission into the combined programs is highly selective. Matriculated SUNY Canton undergraduate students may apply to a combined program through the School for Graduate Studies and will complete the graduate application¹ for the MBA in Healthcare Leadership.

The applicant must have a minimum recalculated GPA of 3.2 (most recent 60 credits earned) and have three to five years of managerial or professional experience. In addition to completing the graduate application², candidates must have completed the following academic

prerequisites or their equivalent with a B or better, to be considered for admission:

- Statistics (3 credits);
- Macroeconomics (3 credits);
- Microeconomics (3 credits); and
- Accounting (3 credits)

Please see the **Graduate Admission** section of this catalog for a complete listing of materials required to complete a graduate application.

¹ Candidates who have less than 60 undergraduate credits and/or still need to complete any of the prerequisites can be accepted conditionally. To become officially admitted, conditional admits must maintain a minimum 3.2 GPA, and complete all of the prerequisites by 108 credits at the latest. Candidates who do not meet the requirements will be dismissed from the combined pathway and allowed to complete the bachelor's portion.

² SUNY Canton applicants are not required to submit the application essay and may request a waiver code of the application for at gradpartners@sunyempire.edu.

Curriculum

The combined program leading to a MBA in Healthcare Leadership, require 152 credits total, of which 42 are master's credits leading to the MBA in Healthcare Leadership. Students must meet all college and academic program guidelines.

The combined program requires careful planning. It is recommended that this should begin in the first term of a student's undergraduate career. The student and the primary mentor will consult in the planning of the undergraduate degree program so that both the undergraduate degree requirements and the 12 graduate-level credits from the MBA in Healthcare Leadership are included in the degree plan. Students must meet graduate expectations for academic progress and grade point average in their master's level courses to remain in the combined pathway program.

Combined Pathway Courses

The four graduate courses that must be taken during undergraduate study are below. Students accepted to the combined pathway will include these courses in their undergraduate degree plan.

Code	Title	Credits
HCLM 6005	Mastering Leadership in Healthcare Organizations	3
HCLM 6010	Analysis of Healthcare Markets & Health Policy	3
HCLM 6015	Health Information Management and Informatics	3
HCLM Elective		3

Remaining required graduate courses can be found on the MBA in Healthcare Leadership (<http://catalog.sunyempire.edu/graduate/programs/mba-healthcare-leadership/>) pages of this catalog.