AHM: Health Care Management, Associate in Applied Science: 201001 to Present

For Students Enrolled in:
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Program Description: The Health Care Management curriculum prepares students for management roles in a health care environment that is rapidly changing from one focused on episodes of treatment for acute disease to lifelong health maintenance and wellness promotion. The program is intended for health care workers who need new knowledge and skills to compete in the changing health care marketplace. It will also be useful for those individuals with no previous health care experience who seek non-clinical entry-level positions in health care, or who plan to continue their education in the field of health care administration.

An associate degree in applied science will be awarded upon completion of the required program with a 2.0 GPA and a "C" or better in all Allied Health courses.

Program Outcomes:
Upon successful completion of this program, students should be able to:

- Describe principles, terminology, structure and products of health care management.
- Describe emerging health care delivery systems and their impact on delivery, financing, practice patterns and the utilization of personnel and services.
- Explain the priorities of managing risk, quality improvement and measuring outcomes.
- Assess issues and trends in health care management.
- Develop skills for coordination of care and services in managed care settings.
- Analyze the health care delivery system as a multidisciplinary, multifaceted entity with a variety of entry and access points along a continuum of care.
- Function within an ethical and legal framework appropriate for a managed care environment.
- Develop personal qualities needed to function effectively with individuals and organizations.
- Demonstrate proficiency in computer applications used in a health care environment.
- Apply economic and business practices to the health care setting.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the issues and practices applicable to health information.

Semester by Semester Plan:

Semester 1:
ENG 100
MATH 105
SOC 110
DPR 100
AHM 102
Semester 2:
AHM 233
AHM 140
COMM 100
BUS 130
BUS 100
ENG 112

Semester 3:
BUS 211
BUS 230
AHM 130
AHA 207
Allied Health/Business Elective

Semester 4:
AHA 209
AHA 210
AHA 206
AHA 217
AHA 213

Total Credits: 60

Notes:
A Certificate of Competency in Managed Care is also available. Enrollment is limited to health care professionals.

Advanced-Standing: 15 credits
Nine to fifteen credits for the Allied Health core maybe awarded for previous education, training and work experience in an allied health field through credit for prior learning. Examples might include, but are not limited to: medical assistant, physician assistant, medical technology, nursing, respiratory therapy, medical secretary, surgical technology, dietitian, radiation technology, etc. Students may be asked to take one or two courses within this core based on portfolio assessment. Students with previous health care experience may NOT be required to take some or all of the following courses:
AHM 233 Medical Terminology
AHM 102 Introduction to Health Care and Health Information
AHA 207 Ethical/Legal Aspects of Health Care Management
AHM 140 Professional and Communication Issues in Health Care
_________ Allied Health/Business Elective