



HEALTH POLICY & MANAGEMENT

The major at a glance

Required Coursework



HPM 101
The American Health Care System

HPM 240
The Epidemiology of Health and Disease



HPM 300
Financial Management of Health Care Institutions

HPM 310
Health Law

HPM 408
Policy Analysis in the Health Sector



HPM 450
Field Experience

HPM 480
Senior Seminar

+3 HPM Elective Courses:



Issues in Global Health, Principles of Health Care Management, Admin Extended Care Facility, Research, Aging and Health, Diet, Nutrition, and Obesity in the U.S., Drugs & Disease, Sociology of Health and Illness, Independent Study, among others.

About the Major

Why Study Health Policy & Management at PC?

For more than three decades, the Department of Health Sciences (formerly Health Policy and Management – HPM) has prepared students for challenging careers in the health care industry – health services management, health policy-making, and public health practice – and has provided a strong foundation for graduate study.

Required coursework builds on the student's liberal arts background and fosters the value of an interdisciplinary approach to the study of health and health care. It seeks to develop future decision-makers and leaders who will navigate the complexities of the health care system with competence and compassion.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What can I do with a degree in HPM?

A: Graduates of the major work in many different areas both within and outside of the health care industry. Career paths include, but are not limited to clinical careers, health law, pharmaceuticals, health care management, health policy, and public health.

Q: Can I minor in HPM?

A: No. This department does not offer a minor.

Q: What is Field Experience?

A: In addition to required coursework, the major requires a structured field experience during the senior year so that students may apply the concepts and skills learned in the classroom to real-world settings. This internship offers students meaningful opportunities to link theory with practice, learn from practitioners, and practice professional skills in a real-world setting. It also allows for the exploration of potential careers and the development of valuable networking skills prior to graduation.

Q: Is there an honor society for HPM students?

A: Yes. Beginning in the 2009-10 academic year, the department created the Charles V. Chapin Honor Society to recognize the achievements of students who earned a grade point average of 3.55 or higher within the major.



Dr. Tuba Agartan (pictured above), is a professor of health sciences. Dr. Agartan's expertise is in the sociology of health and illness, health care reform, comparative health policy and global health.

Q: Do HPM students do research?

A: Yes. The department offers a variety of research opportunities designed to strengthen student research and writing skills. These include research seminars, research assistantships, independent studies, and guided research courses. Students have also been known to present their research at academic conferences and publish their results.

Q: Can I study abroad as a HPM major?

A: Yes. Students have the opportunity to study abroad in one of more than 20 programs in Europe, Africa, Latin America, and Australia/New Zealand.

Outcomes

97% of 2017-2021 Department of Health Sciences graduates are employed and/or attending graduate school.

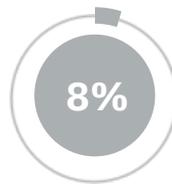
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Selected places of employment

Aetna, Boston Children's Hospital, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Mercer, Lifespan, NYU Langone Medical Center, Public Consulting Group, Yale New Haven Health System, CVS

ATTENDING SCHOOL ONLY



Selected graduate schools

Boston College, Yale, Northeastern University, University of Minnesota, Seton Hall, Brown, University of New Hampshire, John Hopkins University, Brandeis, Emory

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Selected employment & schools

Americares, Boston University, Massachusetts General Hospital, Liberty Mutual, University Emergency Medicine Foundation, Columbia, Memorial Sloan Kettering