



Doctor of

HEALTH SCIENCE

Move Forward as an Agent of Change in Health Care

As health care continues to evolve, organizations need well-rounded leaders with the passion and ability to shape it for the better. This is your moment. Advance your career and expand your impact in your community with an emergent degree that positions you at the forefront of the health care field. Designed for health professionals from a wide range of backgrounds, our online Doctor of Health Science (DHSc) program builds skills and competencies in advanced professional practice for clinical, academic, or research settings.



Why Study at Purdue Global's School of Health Sciences?

Built for Working Adults

Complete courses online, without compromising your work or family schedule. There is no residency requirement for this doctoral program.

Backed by the Power of Purdue

Earn a degree you can be proud of — and employers will respect. Achieve more in the health care field with a name that opens doors in your career.

Experience Counts as Credit

Transfer up to 28 elective credits from your master's degree to graduate sooner and save on tuition.¹

Expert Faculty

Learn from experienced health care professionals who are currently practicing in the field. All faculty possess advanced academic degrees.

Career-Focused Curriculum

Come back qualified for the roles you want. Prepare to handle complex new developments in research, analysis, leadership, policy, and health care or health-related issues.

Personal Support

Work directly with faculty through synchronous and asynchronous coursework, and connect with your doctoral consultant while completing an applied project. In addition, academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.

An Education That's Proven and Respected

Purdue Global is backed by Purdue University. One of the most prestigious universities in the world, Purdue ranked #16 overall and #1 in education among *Fast Company* magazine's prestigious **World's Most Innovative Companies**.²

Take the Next Step in Your Education and Career

GAIN THE PRACTICAL KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS THAT EMPLOYERS DEMAND

- **Critical Thinking:** Evaluate health-related research, trends, issues, policies, and programs.
- **Problem Solving and Innovation:** Generate evidence-based, innovative solutions to health issues for diverse populations at the national, international, and global levels.
- **Communication:** Effectively communicate with key stakeholders to advance health research and practice.
- **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion:** Advance diversity, equity, and inclusion practices within the health care environment.
- **Leadership and Organizational Effectiveness:** Contribute to building ethical, people-centered organizations that positively impact health delivery.

“The Doctor of Health Science program prepares students to operationalize their advanced research and complex problem-solving in an academic or industry leadership setting.”

Christopher K. Gransberry
PhD, PMHOM, MHI, CHTS-
IM, CAHIMS, Faculty

Curriculum

The comprehensive curriculum emphasizes advanced knowledge, skills, and professional practice and helps you develop leadership skills through a health science lens. The coursework includes a set of core doctoral-level advanced courses and a variety of electives that allow you to customize your degree to your goals.

Core Courses Include:

- Doctoral Writing and Research
- Advanced Health Policy
- Global and National Health and Health Systems
- Advanced Health Issues and Trends
- Advanced Health Research and Analysis Methods
- Advanced Health Leadership

Doctoral Project

The program culminates in a final project that applies the skills and concepts you study online to real-world issues. Under the guidance of a doctoral consultant, you will complete an applied project that addresses a challenge or need in health care policy, administration, higher education, or clinical practice.

Program Detail

Credit Hours: 88

- **Core Credits:** 50
- **Elective Credits:** 38
- **Total Credits:** 88

Terms: 10 weeks long

Start Dates: Throughout the year

Completion Time³: 2 years

Program Qualifications

To qualify for this program, you must either:

- Hold a master's degree in a health or health care-related field and possess 3+ years of relevant professional experience in a health, health care, or related setting.
- Hold a master's degree in any field of study and possess 7+ years of relevant experience.

A transcript indicating a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in your master's degree is required.

Other Doctoral Programs

- Doctor of Nursing Practice
- Doctor of Education in Leadership and Innovation



Career and Networking Opportunities

Industry Outlook⁵

- Employment of medical and health service managers is expected to grow 29% from 2023–2033—much faster than the average for all occupations.⁴
- Health care is expected to grow much faster than average for all occupational groups, with **1.9 million new jobs** expected by 2033. Demand for health care services is expected to increase due to an aging population and greater demand for health care services.⁵

Career Pathways and Outcomes⁶

Roles

- Health care executive or administrator
- Medical and health services manager
- Public health director
- College or university health educator
- Nursing home administrator
- Health information manager

Industries

- Hospitals
- Public health
- Health care centers
- Higher education
- Research laboratories
- Clinical practice

The Center for Career Advancement

Our team of Career Specialists connects you with job and networking opportunities, and offers the following assistance:

- Career assessment/exploration
- Resume and cover letter review
- Interview preparation/mock interviews
- Portfolio development to showcase your skills
- Assistance in building an online presence
- Job search and networking support
- Virtual career fairs
- 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission

Purdue Global is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). The HLC (HLCCommission.org) is an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Military Friendly

We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.

Contact an Admissions Advisor at 844-PURDUE-G or visit PurdueGlobal.edu.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer information, visit Info.PurdueGlobal.edu.

¹ The DHS program is a new offering and thus historic data on credit for prior learning are not available. Exact transfer amount may vary. All credits must be validated on official transcript(s) to be eligible for transfer. Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit. See the University Catalog for the Prior Learning Assessment policy.

² Source: <https://www.fastcompany.com/most-innovative-companies/2023>. Ranking applies to Purdue University West Lafayette and not to Purdue Global.

³ Completion time based on a full-time schedule. Programs will take longer for part-time students to complete.

⁴ Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Medical and Health Service Managers, <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/management/medical-and-health-services-managers.htm>. National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.

⁵ Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Healthcare Occupations, <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/home.htm>. National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.

⁶ Purdue Global does not guarantee employment or career advancement. Additional training or certification may be required. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary from organization to organization. Prior experience may be necessary for leadership positions.