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Nondiscrimination Policy

It is the policy and commitment of MCPHS University not to discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, age, sexual orientation, sex, sexual identity, disability, veteran status, marital status, or national origin in its educational programs, activities, admissions, or employment policies and to actively comply with the requirements of Federal Executive Orders 11246 and 11375 as amended; the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended; Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972; Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Section 402, Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (as amended by the ADA Amendments Act of 2008); and pertinent laws, regulations, and executive directives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and other applicable state and federal statutes.

Inquiries regarding the University’s compliance with Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action laws may be directed to Richard Lessard, Executive Vice President, at 617.732.2132.

Sexual Harassment

Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 specifically prohibit sexual harassment. All members of the University community, including faculty, administration, staff, and students, have a right to be free from sexual harassment by any member of the University community. Any member of the MCPHS community who has a complaint or concern about sexual harassment, or would like more information about the University’s policies regarding sexual harassment, should contact the Dean of Students or Richard Lessard, Executive Vice President and Title IX Coordinator.

Occupational Health and Safety Master Plan

MCPHS strives to provide a learning, teaching, working, and research environment free from recognized health and safety hazards. Pursuant to the requirements of the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the City of Boston, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, MCPHS has established protocols and procedures to protect its students and employees from potential occupational, health, safety, and radiation hazards. For further information, please contact the Director of Environmental Health and Safety at 617.732.2861.

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Annual Notification of Student Rights under FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974 as amended affords students certain rights with respect to their own education records. These rights include the following:

1. The right to inspect and review student education records within 45 days of the day the University receives a request for access. Students should submit to the Office of the Registrar written requests that identify the record(s) they wish to inspect. The registrar will make arrangements for access within 45 days from the date of such request, and will notify the students of the time and place where the records may be inspected. The University reserves the right to deny a copy of a student education record (including, without limitation, a transcript) for which a financial hold exists (a hold is imposed if the student fails to pay bills, fees, or fines owed to the University). A hold will not interfere with the right to visually examine student education records. Questions about the University’s policies and practices relating to the Act should be addressed to the Office of the Registrar.
2. The right to request an amendment of student education records that students believe are inaccurate or misleading. Students should write the University registrar, clearly identify the part of the records they want changed, and specify why the records are inaccurate or misleading. If the University decides not to amend the records as requested, it will notify the students of the decision and advise the students of their right to a hearing. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the students when they are notified of the right to a hearing.

3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in student education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception that permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to appropriate parties in connection with a health or safety emergency. Another exception that permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the University in an administrative, supervisory, academic or research, or support staff position (including law enforcement unit personnel and health staff); a person or company with whom the University has contracted (such as an attorney, auditor, or collection agent); a person serving on the Board of Trustees; or a student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review a student education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the University may disclose student education records without consent to officials of another school in which a student seeks or intends to enroll if the disclosure is for purposes related to the student’s enrollment or transfer. Education records may be compelled and disclosed without consent by, or notice to, the student pursuant to a valid subpoena issued under the USA Patriot Act. Finally, personally identifiable “directory information” may be released freely unless the student files the appropriate form requesting that such information not be released. This form is available at the Office of the Registrar. Directory information includes the following:

- Name
- Gender
- Local address and telephone number
- Permanent address and telephone number
- University email address
- Major and minor field(s) of study, including the division or program in which a student is enrolled
- Classification as a freshman, sophomore, junior, senior, or graduate, or by number referring to such classes
- Course load—full time or part time
- Participation in officially recognized activities
- Dates of attendance and graduation, and degrees received
- Most recent previous educational institution attended
- Honors and awards received, including selection to a dean’s list or an honorary organization
- Student ID numbers (but only if coupled with another identifier to access education records)

4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the University to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The office that administers FERPA is

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202-8520
Clinical Rotations and Background Screenings

For some MCPHS programs, placement in clinical rotations at healthcare providers is a required part of the MCPHS curriculum. Some healthcare providers require background screenings, and a conviction for a criminal offense might present an issue. It is possible that certain types of criminal convictions, whether prior to being a student at MCPHS or while attending MCPHS, could preclude a student from being able to complete a required clinical rotation. For additional information, please contact the MCPHS Chief Compliance Officer.
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Dear Student,

On behalf of the administration, faculty, and staff of MCPHS University (MCPHS), I want to extend our warmest greetings and best wishes.

You are entering MCPHS at a particularly exciting time in our long and distinguished history. Enrollment now exceeds 6,000 students, which is an all-time high for the University and a ringing endorsement of our position as a national leader in preparing graduates for rewarding careers in the health professions.

In order to support this unprecedented growth, the University continues to expand and enhance the buildings on our campuses in Boston, Worcester, and Manchester. These new and renovated facilities feature state-of-the-art technology and laboratories that ensure the best possible educational experience for students. MCPHS is truly a learner-centered institution.

As a graduate of the University, I know the importance of developing strong professional relationships with faculty and staff, whose primary goal is to help you succeed. I hope each of you will take advantage of the many educational and cocurricular activities that are available to you at MCPHS.

When you complete your course of studies, you will become one of more than 21,000 MCPHS alumni who are enjoying productive careers in the health sciences. I hope that each of you will develop a personal relationship with the University as your professional home away from home—your alma mater.

Once again, I wish you good luck with your studies, and I look forward to meeting many of you at various University functions in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Charles F. Monahan, Jr., class of 1962
Introduction

Mission Statement
MCPHS University (MCPHS) prepares students for successful careers in healthcare through excellence in teaching, scholarship, research, professional service, and community engagement.

Core Values
The University embraces a set of core values that reflects a commitment to preparing competent, caring, ethical health professionals and scientists to meet the need for quality healthcare. As members of the University and the broader community, we are committed to the following core values:

• Learner-centered teaching and student engagement that fosters intellectual vitality, critical thinking, and lifelong responsibility for learning and continuing professional development
• Honesty, integrity, professionalism, and personal responsibility
• Respecting diversity and appreciating cross-cultural perspectives
• Adaptability and flexibility in response to the ever-changing external environment
• Effectively and efficiently using resources to maximize value to those we serve
• Excellence and innovation in education, scholarship/research, and service, including outreach to the community
• A productive, satisfying work and learning environment that is built upon cross-disciplinary and cross-campus collaboration
• Integration of liberal arts and basic sciences with professional studies
• Scholarship that contributes to developing knowledge, enhancing health sciences education, and improving healthcare and health outcomes
• Education that fosters developing the whole person

The Boston Campus
Founded in 1823, MCPHS is the oldest institution of higher education in the city of Boston, and its pharmacy program is the second oldest in the United States. The main campus is located in Boston’s Longwood Medical and Academic Area, and the University enjoys working affiliations with some of the world’s finest health institutions, including Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston Children’s Hospital, Boston Medical Center, Tufts Medical Center, and Massachusetts General Hospital. Among its neighbors are Emmanuel College; Massachusetts College of Art and Design; Simmons College; Wentworth Institute of Technology; Wheelock College; and Harvard University’s medical school, dental school, and school of public health. In this invigorating and stimulating environment, students have access to unsurpassed educational resources.

Undergraduate degree programs offered at the Boston campus include biology, chemistry, dental hygiene, health psychology, premedical and health studies, pharmaceutical sciences, public health, medical imaging, and radiologic sciences. First professional degrees are offered in pharmacy, physician assistant studies, and nursing. Each of these programs combines the basic sciences with liberal arts and provides an education for lifelong enrichment. Graduate programs are offered in chemistry, regulatory affairs, pharmaceutics, pharmacology, clinical research, pharmaceutical economics and policy, nursing, and dental hygiene.

The Worcester Campus
MCPHS currently offers eight degree programs on its Worcester campus and will expand offerings in the future. The Worcester campus is home to an accelerated 33-month PharmD program for students who have already completed their preprofessional requirements; an accelerated 16-month Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene program for individuals with a prior baccalaureate degree in another field; an accelerated 24-month Bachelor of Science degree program in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (General or Echo); an accelerated 16-month Bachelor of Science in Nursing program for individuals with a prior baccalaureate degree in another field; a 24-month Master of Physician Assistant Studies program; a Master of Science in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner and MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses), including an ADN to MSN Bridge program; a three-year Doctor of Physical Therapy degree program; and a four-year Doctor of Optometry (OD) program.

Worcester is among the largest cities in New England and is well known for its premier educational and healthcare institutions. The Worcester campus is located adjacent to the Worcester Medical Center and in close proximity to the Fallon Clinic, St. Vincent Hospital, University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center, and the medical school of the University of Massachusetts.
The Manchester Campus

MCPHS–Manchester became an entity of the University in May 2002 when MCPHS assumed responsibility for the Physician Assistant (PA) Studies program and its faculty and staff from Notre Dame College upon its closing. The new campus building at 1260 Elm Street was purchased in November 2002, and the first class of PA students, faculty, and staff occupied the building in January 2003. In conjunction with the School of Pharmacy–Worcester, the accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy degree program admitted its first class in Manchester in the fall of 2004. An accelerated 16-month Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program for individuals with a prior baccalaureate in another field admitted its first cohort in September 2007.

Manchester is New Hampshire’s largest city and is the center of the state’s diversified industrial and service economy, which developed in response to the decline of the mill dynasty in the 1930s. The University is situated parallel to the historic Amoskeag Mills, which house educational institutions, businesses, and small industry.

Degree and Certificate Programs

School of Arts and Sciences (Boston)
Bachelor of Science in Chemistry / Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Chemistry
Bachelor of Science in Health Psychology
Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences
Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences Degree Completion
Bachelor of Science in Medical and Molecular Biology
Bachelor of Science in Premedical and Health Studies
Bachelor of Science in Public Health
Bachelor of Science in Public Health / Master of Public Health Dual Degree (Boston and Online)

Division of Health Sciences (Boston and Worcester)
Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene (Boston)
Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene (Boston and Worcester)
Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Boston)
Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Boston and Worcester)
Bachelor of Science in Magnetic Resonance Imaging (Boston)
Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Magnetic Resonance Imaging (Boston)
Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology (Boston)
Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology (Boston)
Bachelor of Science in Radiation Therapy (Boston)
Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Radiation Therapy (Boston)
Bachelor of Science in Radiography (Boston)
Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Radiography (Boston)
Advanced Certificates in Medical Imaging (Boston)
  (Computed Tomography and Magnetic Resonance Imaging)
Doctor of Physical Therapy (Worcester)

School of Nursing (Boston, Worcester, and Manchester)
Bachelor of Science in Nursing

School of Optometry (Worcester)
Doctor of Optometry
Doctor of Optometry / Master of Public Health Dual Degree (Worcester and Online)

School of Pharmacy (Boston)
Doctor of Pharmacy
Doctor of Pharmacy / Master of Public Health Dual Degree (Boston and Online)
Residencies in Pharmacy Practice
Certificate in Advanced Pharmacy Practice Studies
Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Informatics
Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical and Health Care Business
Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences / Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences
Bachelor of Science in Pharmacology and Toxicology
School of Pharmacy Division of Graduate Studies
Master of Science, Doctor of Philosophy in Medicinal Chemistry (Boston)
Master of Science, Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy (Boston)
Master of Science, Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmaceutics (Boston and Worcester)
Master of Science, Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmacology (Boston and Worcester)
Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy (Boston)
Master of Clinical Research (Boston)
Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences (Boston)
Certificate in Health Policy (Boston)
Certificate in Regulatory Affairs (Boston)

School of Pharmacy (Worcester/Manchester)
Doctor of Pharmacy (accelerated)

School of Physician Assistant Studies (Boston, Worcester, and Manchester)
Master of Physician Assistant Studies

MCPHS Online
AD to Master of Science in Dental Hygiene Bridge
Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene Degree Completion
Master of Science in Dental Hygiene
Graduate Certificate in Oral Health Professions Education
Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography—Echocardiography Track Degree Completion
Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography—General Track Degree Completion
Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography with Concentration in Vascular Sonography
Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences Degree Completion
Bachelor of Science in Health Science / Postbaccalaureate BSN Dual Degree
ADN to Master of Science in Nursing Bridge
Master of Science in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner)
Master of Science in Nursing (MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses)
Master of Health Care Administration
AD to Master of Health Sciences Bridge
Master of Health Sciences
Doctor of Health Sciences
Master of Patient Safety
Master of Public Health
Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway
Advanced Certificate in Magnetic Resonance Imaging
Certificate in Health Policy
Certificate in Medication Safety
Certificate in Regulatory Affairs
Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy

Accreditation

New England Association of Schools and Colleges
MCPHS is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc. (NEASC), through its Commission on Institutions of Higher Education. Accreditation of an institution of higher education by NEASC indicates that it meets or exceeds criteria for the assessment of institutional quality periodically applied through a peer review process. An accredited college or university is one that has available the necessary resources to achieve its stated purposes through appropriate educational programs, is substantially doing so, and gives reasonable evidence that it will continue to do so in the foreseeable future. Institutional integrity also is addressed through accreditation.

Accreditation by NEASC is not partial but applies to the institution as a whole. As such, it is not a guarantee of every course or program offered or of the competence of individual graduates. Rather, it provides reasonable assurance about the quality of opportunities available to students who attend the institution.
Inquiries regarding the accreditation status by NEASC should be directed to the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs; tel.: 617.732.2854.

Individuals may also contact the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, 209 Burlington Road, Suite 201, Bedford, MA 01730-1433; tel.: 781.271.0022; fax: 781.271.0950; email: cihe@neasc.org.

**Accreditation Council on Optometric Education**

The Doctor of Optometry program on the Worcester campus has been granted the preaccreditation classification of Preliminary Approval by the Accreditation Council on Optometric Education, 243 N. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63141; tel.: 800.365.2219. The classification of Preliminary Approval is granted to a professional optometric degree program that has clearly demonstrated it is developing in accordance with council standards.

**Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education**

The School of Pharmacy–Boston Doctor of Pharmacy program and the School of Pharmacy–Worcester/Manchester Doctor of Pharmacy program are separately accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), 135 S. LaSalle Street, Suite 4100, Chicago, IL 60603-4810; tel.: 312.664.3575; fax: 312.664.4652; website: www.acpe-accredit.org

**Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant, Inc.**

The Master of Physician Assistant Studies program on the Boston campus and the Master of Physician Assistant Studies program on the Manchester/Worcester campuses are separately accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA), 12000 Findley Road, Suite 240, Duluth, GA 30097; tel.: 770.476.1224; fax: 770.476.1738; website: www.arc-pa.org.

**American Dental Association’s Commission on Dental Accreditation**

The Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene is accredited by the American Dental Association’s Commission on Dental Accreditation and has been granted the accreditation status of Approval Without Reporting Requirements. The Commission is a specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education. Individuals may contact the Commission on Dental Accreditation at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611; tel.: 312.440.4663; fax: 312.440.2915; website: www.ada.org.

**American Registry of Radiologic Technologists**

For MRI programs based in postsecondary degree–granting institutions, a current accreditation mechanism acceptable to the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) is accreditation by a regional institutional accrediting agency. MCPHS has been recognized by ARRT as meeting this requirement and thus graduates of its MRI program are eligible to participate in the ARRT MRI examination. Individuals may contact ARRT at 1255 Northland Drive, St. Paul, MN 55120; tel.: 651.687.0048; website: www.arrt.org.

**Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education**

The Doctor of Physical Therapy program on the Worcester campus has been granted Candidate for Accreditation status by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) of the American Physical Therapy Association. Individuals may contact CAPTE at 1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314; tel.: 703.706.3245; email: accreditation@apta.org. Candidacy is not an accreditation status nor does it assure eventual accreditation. Candidate for Accreditation is a preaccreditation status of affiliation with the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education that indicates the program is progressing toward accreditation.

**Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education**

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing program—with tracks in Boston and Worcester, Mass., and Manchester, N.H.—has full accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) for the maximum 10-year period. The graduate Nursing program has full initial accreditation from CCNE for the maximum 5-year period accorded new programs. CCNE is located at One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036; tel.: 202.887.6791; fax: 202.887.8476; website: www.aacn.nche.edu.

**Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology**

The Nuclear Medicine Technology program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology, 2000 W. Danforth Road, Suite 130, #203, Edmond, OK 73003; tel.: 405.285.0546; fax: 405.285.0579; website: www.jrcnmt.org.

**Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology**

The Radiation Therapy program and the Radiography program are accredited individually by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology, 20 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 2850, Chicago, IL 60606-3182; tel.: 312.704.5300; fax: 312.704.5304; website: www.jrcert.org.
Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing
The Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, with tracks in Boston and Worcester, has received full approval from Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing (MBORN), 239 Causeway Street, Suite 200, 2nd Floor, Boston, MA 02114; tel.: 1.800.414.0168 or 617.973.0900; fax: 617.973.0984; website: www.mass.gov/dph/boards/rn.

New Hampshire Board of Nursing
The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program offered on the Manchester campus has received full approval from the New Hampshire Board of Nursing, located at 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 16, Concord, NH 03301-2431; tel.: 603.271.2323; fax: 603.271.6605; website: http://www.nh.gov/nursing.

MCPS is approved by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to grant the degrees and certificates awarded by programs on the Boston and Worcester campuses. The University is approved by the New Hampshire Postsecondary Education Commission to award the Master of Physician Assistant Studies degree, the Doctor of Pharmacy degree, and the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree offered in Manchester, contingent upon continuing accreditation by ARC-PA, ACPE, and CCNE, respectively.
Facilities

Boston Campus

Ronald A. Matricaria Academic and Student Center
To accommodate the growing number of students as well as the growth in program offerings, MCPHS added the 93,000-square-foot Ronald A. Matricaria Academic and Student Center on the Longwood campus in 2004. The center preserves the signature façade and columns of the George Robert White building within a dramatic glass atrium while enhancing the University’s capacity for teaching, scholarly research, and student development. The building features

• laboratory space for chemistry, professional pharmacy practice, and pharmaceutics;
• a library making possible state-of-the-art learning and technology resources;
• three floors of apartment-style student residence space;
• a fully staffed technology center;
• seven large, modern classrooms; and
• an extensive quiet study area and several group study rooms.

George Robert White Building
Constructed through the generosity of Boston philanthropist George Robert White, the building bearing his name houses administrative and faculty offices, classrooms, laboratories, lecture halls, White Hall, and the Forsyth Dental Hygiene Clinic. The state-of-the-art dental hygiene clinic and teaching laboratory, opened in 2005 and occupying a large portion of the first floor, is named for benefactor and Forsyth alumna Esther M. Wilkins DH ’39, DMD.

In addition to the dental hygiene clinic, the White Building houses several teaching and research laboratories, multiple classrooms, a second student technology center, and faculty and administrative office suites. In 2009, the Academic Resource Center was created to house an array of academic support services including the Writing Center in a renovated suite on the first floor of this historic building. In 2011, a state-of-the-art diagnostic medical imaging suite was completed to support the University’s new Diagnostic Medical Sonography program—the first in Massachusetts to offer a bachelor’s degree in this discipline.

John Richard Fennell Building and Theodore L. Iorio Research Center
This building is an eight-story, mixed-use facility of approximately 230,000 square feet, completed in 1996. The John Richard Fennell Building occupies the east end; the west end is the Theodore L. Iorio Research Center. This structure offers classrooms, conference rooms, a student lounge, faculty offices, a residence hall, a coffee shop, and underground parking for faculty and staff. The Rombult Atrium adjoining the White Building is used for group study and social events.

Several research and teaching laboratories also are housed in the building, including laboratories for anatomy and physiology, biology and microbiology, cell culture, biology research, physiology research, pharmacology research, behavioral and neuropharmacology, chemistry, physics, and nuclear medicine. The Channing Laboratory division of Brigham and Women’s Hospital occupies the building’s west end through a long-term lease arrangement.

Henrietta DeBenedictis Library, Boston
The library occupies the second floor of the Matricaria Academic and Student Center. It houses general computers for research, Web searching, and word processing, as well as audiovisual and photocopy equipment. The library also provides generous study areas including group study rooms.

The Henrietta DeBenedictis Library maintains research-level collections in pharmacy, pharmacy education, and drug information, as well as core collections in clinical medicine, nursing, and the allied health sciences. Most of the collections have been converted into an electronic format, enabling users to access material remotely and from all three campuses. More than 40,000 journals are made available through a combination of owned subscriptions and titles made accessible through the libraries’ full-text databases. In addition to the electronic journal collections, the library has access to more than 85,000 e-books and 135 databases. Holdings are further extended through membership in the Fenway Library Consortium (FLC), a group of 15 libraries that share resources. In addition, 10 FLC institutions, including MCPHS, are members of Fenway Libraries Online, Inc. (FLO), which supports an online public catalog of more than one million volumes held by member institutions. The MCPHS community is able to directly borrow material from the FLC libraries. Taking advantage of Boston’s extensive research universities and colleges, the MCPHS libraries offer an interlibrary loan service that provides timely delivery of journal articles and books, usually at no cost to our students, faculty, and staff.
Richard E. Griffin Academic Center
In 2009, the University opened the Richard E. Griffin Academic Center, at 670 Huntington Avenue. The center contains 50,000 square feet of classrooms, faculty and staff offices, teaching laboratories, a technology center, a 250-seat auditorium, and a multifunction room. Students from all degree programs on the Boston campus attend classes in the new facility. The upper floors of the six-story building house the University’s Nursing, Physician Assistant Studies, and Medical Imaging and Therapeutics programs, as well as offices for Alumni, Development, Community Relations, and the Career Center.

Brant House
The Brant House, which serves as a private residence for the University President, was created in 2002 by joining two adjacent historic three-story brownstone buildings into one building. The first and second floors, which are public floors, are used for receptions, meetings, and other events.

Crossroads Café and Student Lounge
The Crossroads Café and Student Lounge is a hub of student life on the MCPHS–Boston campus. Members of the MCPHS community use the Student Lounge as a place to meet, study, and relax in a welcoming, supportive environment. At the Crossroads Café, students can grab a quick cup of coffee on their way to class or pick up a light lunch or an afternoon snack.

Dining Facilities
The University’s main dining facility for the Boston campus is located a short walk across Palace Road and is situated above the MCPHS bookstore. The dining hall is shared with Massachusetts College of Art and Design and Wentworth Institute of Technology, and is housed in the MassArt Kennedy Building. A wide range of hot and cold entrées, salad bar offerings, and specialty foods are available for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. The facility is generally open year-round, with some reduction in hours during summer and holiday breaks. A newer addition to the dining commons is a Peet’s Coffee bar, which opened in the fall of 2010.

Bookstore
The MCPHS bookstore is located on Palace Road, across the street from the main campus, and serves both MCPHS and neighboring Massachusetts College of Art and Design. Newly renovated and expanded in 2009, and located in the lower level of the MassArt Kennedy Building, the bookstore stocks new and used MCPHS textbooks, reference books, insignia clothing, and other college-related items. Textbooks may be ordered or rented online at www.masspharmacy.bkstr.com. The bookstore’s telephone number is 617.739.4772; the email is bookstore@mcphs.edu.

Computer Facilities
A number of computer laboratories and classrooms are available to students, staff, and faculty. The laboratories contain personal computers and peripheral equipment for individual computing use. In addition to the physical computer laboratories, the University also maintains a virtual technology center (VTC). Accessing the VTC from the Internet provides students with access to all the applications and resources available in the libraries and physical computer labs. All campuses have complete wireless coverage for convenient access to the Internet and email. Additionally, a number of computer kiosks are located in various common areas. Faculty also may take advantage of the multiple netbook computer carts that can be deployed to most classrooms.

Public Transportation and Parking
Students may purchase monthly Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) passes from the University at a discount. For more information, contact the Office of Student Activities; tel.: 617.732.2871.

There is no daytime student parking on the Boston campus. Evening and weekend parking permits are available for purchase by certain students on a limited basis. For on-campus and off-campus parking information, contact Public Safety at 617.732.2900.

Residence Halls
Fennell Hall adjoins the George Robert White building. It provides traditional corridor-style living arrangements with double, triple, and quad rooms. Each room is furnished with beds, dressers, wardrobes, desks, and desk chairs, and is equipped with wireless Internet and cable jacks. Students residing in Fennell have a mandatory full meal plan during the fall and spring semesters. Fennell is staffed by one live-in, full-time area coordinator and student resident assistants (one on each floor). The building has 24-hour security and houses first-year students.

Matricaria Residence Hall provides apartment-style living in two- to five-person apartments. Each unit has a common room with living area, a kitchen, a bathroom, and double and/or single bedrooms. The bedrooms are equipped with beds, dressers, wardrobes, desks, and
desk chairs, as well as wireless Internet and cable jacks. The common room has a love seat, chairs, occasional tables, dining table and chairs, and a kitchen with storage space. Students living in this apartment residence hall are required to purchase a partial meal plan but have the option to purchase a full meal plan. This building is staffed by one live-in, full-time area coordinator and seven student resident assistants. The building has 24-hour security.

University-sponsored housing also is provided in local Colleges of the Fenway (COF) residence halls. The Tree House residence hall at Massachusetts College of Art and Design houses approximately 250 MCPHS residents. The Tree House houses all first-year students participating in the Academic Living Learning Community. Students live in a suite-style layout with single, double, and triple bedrooms with a shared suite bathroom. The layout of the building lends itself to a creative and community-focused learning environment. Public areas include common space on most floors, a game room, group study rooms, laundry facilities, a fitness room, a vending area, and a lobby with 24-hour security. In addition to the Tree House, MCPHS also provides University-sponsored housing in other local COF residence halls. All COF-leased areas are staffed by professionals and MCPHS resident assistants. Students living in COF-leased areas are required to purchase a full meal plan. All rooms are furnished with beds, dressers, wardrobes, desks, and desk chairs, and equipped with wireless Internet and cable jacks.

All residence halls and University-sponsored housing house male and female students; however, MCPHS has a designated area for female residents only and another area designated as a wellness-themed living-learning community. All residents have access to laundry facilities and each resident is assigned an individual mailbox. Students taking courses during the summer may apply for summer housing.

The Office of Residence Life assists students in identifying off-campus housing resources; see www.mcphs.edu/campuses/boston/housing/off-campus-housing. All questions regarding housing should be directed to the Office of Residence Life at 617.732.2866 or at residencelife@mcphs.edu. For a description of the Boston residence halls, please see the website at www.mcphs.edu/campuses/boston/housing.

Worcester Campus

Henrietta DeBenedictis Building

The Worcester campus opened in 2000 in a state-of-the-art facility located at 19 Foster Street, named after alumna and benefactor Henrietta DeBenedictis, which includes two auditoriums equipped for two-way videoconferencing, classrooms, laboratories, the Blais library, a computer lab, a student lounge, a help desk and study space, the Brant Student Services area, and faculty and staff offices.

Thomas Henry Borysek Living and Learning Center

The Thomas Henry Borysek Living and Learning Center, located at 25 Foster Street, contains administrative and faculty offices, a conference room, classrooms, a technology center, patient assessment and clinical simulation laboratories, and six floors of suite-style student housing (all with private bedrooms). The basement provides comfortable group study / social (lounge) space for students. A portion of the ninth floor also houses the Fuller Conference Room, a spacious area designed for conferences, board meetings, receptions, and other University gatherings.

Lincoln Square Academic and Student Center

The recently completed Lincoln Square Academic and Student Center, located at 10 Lincoln Square, is a state-of-the-art facility that contains administrative and faculty offices, conference rooms, classrooms, clinical labs, an optometry clinic, an optical store, a café, a quiet study space, a spacious event space, and seven floors of student housing. The center provides facilities for academic programs in physical therapy, physician assistant studies, optometry, dental hygiene, and medical imaging, as well as the English Language Academy.

Maher Academic Center

Opened in 2009, the Maher Academic Center at 40 Foster Street houses 30,000 square feet of academic and student space. Two 250-seat auditoriums and three "smart" classrooms feature the latest instructional technology and interactive videoconferencing capability. The street-level multipurpose laboratory includes a model pharmacy that simulates community and institutional practice environments. A student lounge, student meeting rooms, quiet study areas, and faculty and administrative offices complete the fully renovated facility. The office for the Student Government Association and Student Activities is located on the first floor adjacent to the student lounge.

MCPHS Online, 28 Mechanic Street

MCPHS Online, formed in January 2011, provides a formal structure for online programs offered at MCPHS. Starting with 14 programs across five disciplines, the goal for MCPHS Online is to grow to 40 to 50 programs. The physical facility houses the MCPHS Online staff members charged with the development and oversight of MCPHS Online programs. Also located at the building are the
System Administrator with Information Services, who is responsible for the oversight of the learning management system (Blackboard™), and the Associate Director of Marketing for Online Education, who is responsible for the recruitment of online students. There is a small conference room on the first floor available for staff groups at the Worcester campus.

Blais Family Library, Worcester

A branch of the Henrietta DeBenedictis Library, which is located on the Boston campus, the Blais Family Library contains a core collection of pharmacy, clinical medicine, optometry, and nursing texts. Computers in the library provide students with access to all of Boston’s Henrietta DeBenedictis Library’s electronic resources. The Blais Family Library is staffed by two professional librarians and a support staff member. Interlibrary loan and document delivery are available from Boston’s collections as well as from the collections of many New England medical and academic libraries.

The Blais Family Library is a member of the Academic and Research Collaborative, a consortium of 18 libraries, including the University of Massachusetts Worcester Medical School, which offers a walk-in interlibrary loan service, free interlibrary loans among the members, and a book shuttle service.

Computer Facilities

A number of computer laboratories and classrooms are available to students, staff, and faculty. The laboratories contain personal computers and peripheral equipment for individual computing use. The campus is equipped with wireless technology for convenient access to the Internet and email. Additionally, a number of computer kiosks are located in various common areas. Faculty also may take advantage of the multiple netbook computer carts that can be deployed to most classrooms.

Packing

Student parking on the MCPHS–Worcester campus is limited, provided based on availability, and not guaranteed to any individual. Parking on campus is an additional fee that is charged per semester. For information, please contact 508.373.5882.

Residence Halls

The Thomas Henry Borysek Living and Learning Center (located at 25 Foster Street), with student residences on the fourth through ninth floors, offers apartment-, studio-, and suite-style housing options. All students enjoy the privacy of a single bedroom within an apartment/suite equipped with a kitchen. The building also has laundry, vending machines, two study rooms, and student mailboxes, and can accommodate 145 resident students. A full-time professional staff member and three resident assistants reside in the building. Additionally, there are 24-hour security personnel. The building adjoins the Henrietta DeBenedictis Building (19 Foster Street), which includes the Blais Family Library; the residence halls are located directly above classrooms, study space, and administrative offices.

The Lincoln Square Academic and Student Center (located at 10 Lincoln Square), with student residences on the third through ninth floors, offers private bedrooms and bathrooms. Lincoln Square is a short three-block walk from the main campus. The building also houses a café, a fitness center, laundry facilities, vending machines, student mailboxes, classrooms, labs, faculty and administrative offices, a large meeting/event space, and a parking garage. The building can accommodate approximately 202 resident students. A full-time professional staff member and three resident assistants reside in the building. Additionally, there are 24-hour security personnel.

The Main Street Microunits (located at 371 and 379 Main Street) offers studio loft apartments. All students enjoy single-person living with private bathrooms and studio apartments. Each apartment comes furnished with bed, desk and desk chair, soft chair, two-burner stovetop, convection microwave oven, and refrigerator with freezer. Students are responsible for setting up an account for cable and Internet, but all other utilities are included. The building has laundry facilities, common areas with seating, and a fitness area, and can accommodate 26 MCPHS students. This building is located a short distance from the academic buildings on Foster Street.

The Lancaster Street Apartments (located at 7, 11, and 15 Lancaster Street) are located within 10 minutes of the Lincoln Square Academic and Student Center and offer two-bedroom apartments with a shared bathroom. Students have the privacy of an individual bedroom and share the common areas such as the living room, kitchen, and bathroom with one roommate. There is on-site laundry for resident students. Residents are responsible for setting up an account for cable, Internet, and electricity, but all other utilities are included. This building can accommodate 36 students.

The Apartments at 72 Salisbury Street (located at 72 Salisbury Street) are located within 10 minutes of the Lincoln Square Academic and Student Center and offer one- and two-bedroom apartments. Each gender-specific apartment has personal bedrooms for each occupant and shared kitchen, living room, and bathroom for two-person apartments. These apartments have hardwood floors, laundry facilities on site, and one resident assistant assigned to the building. Students are responsible for cable, Internet, gas, and electricity accounts for this housing option.

The Apartments at 50 and 60 Salisbury Street (located at 50 and 60 Salisbury Street) are located within 10 minutes of the Lincoln Square Academic and Student Center, and offer single and multiperson apartments with shared kitchen, living room, and bathroom(s).
These very spacious apartments have unique features that vary between the specific apartments, including walk-in closets, second floors, patios, large kitchen areas, or living rooms. On-site laundry is available for students, and students are responsible for setting up accounts for cable, Internet, and electricity.

The Residence Life staff also plans programming focused on providing opportunities for stress relief and socializing with fellow MCPHS–Worcester students outside the classroom. The staff strives to create fun, relaxed events that encourage students to take a much-deserved break.

Contact the Residence Life Coordinator on the Worcester campus at 508.373.5628 for more information regarding Residence Life or visit the website at http://www.mcphs.edu/campuses/worcester/housing. For questions related to housing placement or the housing process, please contact the office of the Operations Manager for the Worcester campus at 508.373.5754.

Student Lounge

The National Association of Chain Drug Stores (NACDS) student lounge/café is located in the lower level of the Henrietta DeBenedictis Building. It contains student lockers and mailboxes, and is a gathering place for students to meet, study, or have a meal in a relaxed atmosphere. Internet and email access is available.

Manchester, N.H., Campus

Joseph F. and Francis P. Brant Academic and Student Center

Located in the heart of Manchester, N.H., the Joseph F. and Francis P. Brant Academic and Student Center is a 33,000-square-foot, three-story space consisting of classrooms, a physical assessment laboratory, a clinical simulation laboratory, a professional pharmacy practice laboratory, a library/learning resource space, state-of-the-art videoconference classrooms linked to the Worcester campus, student lounges, seminar rooms, a student government office, a resource area, and faculty and staff offices.

Student Activity Center

In the spring of 2009, the Manchester campus opened a new Student Activity Center. This center is more than 6,000 square feet and includes two videoconference classrooms linked to the Worcester campus, a student lounge (with a large-screen TV, information monitor, chairs, and couches), lockers, and a small kitchen area. Wireless Internet is available.

Library and Computer Facilities, Manchester

The Library and Learning Center houses the main computer resource area for students. The library also has two computer-equipped rooms with larger wall-mounted screens for collaborative group study. The library, a branch of the Henrietta DeBenedictis Library in Boston, contains a core collection of pharmacy, clinical medicine, and nursing texts. Students have access to all of the Boston library’s electronic resources, as well as interlibrary loan from Boston’s collections and those of many New England medical and academic libraries. In addition, a quiet study room is available. Reference and library instruction is provided by a professional librarian. The library is a member of the New Hampshire College and University Council, providing access to the collections of its member libraries.

The campus is equipped with wireless technology for convenient access to the Internet and email. Additionally, a number of computer kiosks are located in various common areas. Faculty also may take advantage of the multiple netbook computer carts that can be deployed to most classrooms.

Laboratory Facilities

The patient assessment laboratory is a multifunction laboratory serving courses such as physical assessment, anatomy, and clinical medicine. The laboratory houses 12 physical assessment stations, small medical equipment, and anatomical models and specimens. The professional pharmacy practice/pharmaceutics laboratory simulates a working pharmacy to introduce students to pharmacy operations and the role of a pharmacist. The clinical simulation laboratory is designed to replicate a hospital environment and consists of five medical/surgical bays, one pediatric/infant bay, and two critical care units. Each bay contains a hospital bed, bedside table and chest, overhead lights, live medical gases at each station (vacuum, air, oxygen), and other patient-monitoring equipment. Sophisticated, computer-controlled simulated patients (adult and pediatric) are an important teaching aid in this lab.

Parking

Limited student parking is available near the Manchester campus. For information, contact the Office of the Associate Dean of Students at 603.314.1779.
Brant Student Lounge

The student lounge serves as the gathering place for students to study, converse, meet, share a meal, relax, and hold celebrations, and includes lockers, a small kitchen area, free-standing computers, a large-screen TV, an information monitor, and comfortable chairs and couches. It serves as the “living room” for the campus. Wireless Internet is available.
Interinstitutional Cooperation

Consortia

**Colleges of the Fenway (COF)**

MCPHS is one of six colleges in the Longwood Medical and Academic Area of Boston that joined together in 1996 to form a consortium, which includes MCPHS, Emmanuel College, Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Simmons College, Wentworth Institute of Technology, and Wheelock College. The six colleges, each with its own unique mission, offer a world of learning and experience on and off campus. Collectively, the COF represent more than 11,000 full-time undergraduate students, nearly 1,000 full-time faculty, and more than 3,000 course offerings. Shared initiatives among the six colleges are aimed at enhancing the quality of education, enriching student experiences, and reducing costs through the sharing of resources. Collaborative student opportunities include cross-registration, which broadens access to courses otherwise not available on the student’s home campus; career centers; intramurals; performing arts; student life programs and activities; and study abroad opportunities. [www.colleges-fenway.org](http://www.colleges-fenway.org)

**Manchester-Area Colleges Consortium (MACC)**

MACC, an initiative of the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce and Manchester’s 10 higher education institutions, was created to introduce the area’s business community and citizens to the numerous opportunities their presence provides. Area institutions of higher learning work collaboratively to bring attention to the 21,000 students and college employees in the region. The 10 colleges that form the membership of the consortium include Franklin Pierce University at Manchester, Granite State College, Hesser College, MCPHS, Manchester Community College, New Hampshire Institute of Art, Saint Anselm College, Southern New Hampshire University, Springfield College, and the University of New Hampshire at Manchester. MACC provides many opportunities through academic programs, athletic and cultural events, and other activities in preparing an educated workforce for New Hampshire and the region.

**New Hampshire College and University Council (NHCUC)**

NHCUC is a consortium of 16 public and private institutions of higher education in the state of New Hampshire. MCPHS joined the council when it opened its Manchester, N.H., campus in 2002. The council’s mission is the advancement of higher education in the state through collaborative efforts among the 22 colleges and universities and the enhancement of educational opportunities for the more than 70,000 students who attend the council’s member institutions. The council works to coordinate collaborative initiatives among academic, library, and informational technology offices; sponsors professional development conferences for faculty; and promotes awareness and understanding of higher education among legislators and the public. [www.nhcuc.org](http://www.nhcuc.org)
Institutional Agreements

MCPHS has entered into agreements with other health professions institutions to enable highly motivated students to begin studies at MCPHS that lead to opportunities to complete professional programs at other institutions and vice versa. These institutional agreements are summarized below. Interested students should consult the website www.mcphs.edu for updated information, numbers of students who can be accommodated, and application criteria for each program.

Entry from MCPHS to Other Health Professions Programs

Barry University (Miami Shores, FL)

Podiatric Medicine and Surgery (DPM)
This dual-degree program allows for highly motivated high school students to attain the bachelor of science (BS) in premedical and health studies and the doctor of podiatric medicine and surgery (DPM) degrees in seven years. The MCPHS Premedical and Health Studies program, combined with Barry University’s Podiatric Medicine and Surgery program, gives students the quality education they need to succeed in the highly demanding field of podiatric medicine. The first three years at MCPHS offer a blend of basic and biological sciences along with liberal arts courses, which prepares the student for professional study. Upon completion of the first year at Barry University, MCPHS awards the BS in premedical and health studies degree. The total of four years at Barry University will provide the classroom instruction and broad clinical experience required for the doctoral degree in podiatric medicine.

The Commonwealth Medical College (Scranton, PA)

Medicine (MD)
This partnership joins the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Premedical and Health Studies program at MCPHS with the Doctor of Medicine (MD) degree program at The Commonwealth Medical College (TCMC) in Scranton, Pennsylvania. The MCPHS–TCMC affiliation provides a professional pathway through which the highly motivated student who meets TCMC eligibility requirements may earn assured admission to an MD program in a U.S. medical school. The program allows for completion of the bachelor of science (BS) degree at MCPHS and the doctor of medicine (MD) degree at TCMC in eight years. Students in the BS program who are not admitted to the MD program at TCMC will be granted entry to TCMC’s Master of Biomedical Science program. This does not imply guaranteed acceptance into the medical program.

Drexel University College of Medicine (Philadelphia, PA)

Histotechnology (MSH)
Drexel University College of Medicine and MCPHS have an affiliation that provides reserved admission to the Master of Science in Histotechnology program for highly qualified MCPHS Medical and Molecular Biology students. The Histotechnology program is a one-year master’s degree program that combines intense academic studies and a three-month practicum. Students will earn a master of science degree and be prepared to work, under the direction of a pathologist, as a highly qualified allied health professional in anatomic pathology laboratories throughout the country.

Drexel University College of Medicine (Philadelphia, PA)

Pathologists’ Assistant (PathA)
Drexel University College of Medicine and MCPHS have an affiliation that provides reserved admission to the Master of Science in Pathologists’ Assistant program for highly qualified MCPHS Medical & Molecular Biology students. The Pathologists’ Assistant (PathA) program combines intense academic studies with one-year of practical work in the field. Students earn a master of science degree that prepares them to work, under the direction of a pathologist, as a highly qualified allied health professional in anatomic pathology laboratories throughout the country.

Drexel University College of Medicine (Philadelphia, PA)

Forensic Science (MFS)
Drexel University College of Medicine and MCPHS have an affiliation that provides reserved admission to the Master of Forensic Science program for highly qualified MCPHS Medical and Molecular Biology students. The Forensic Science program is designed to expose students to both the intricacies of problem solving and the real-world application of forensic science. The curriculum provides students with a solid foundation within the forensic sciences while encouraging growth and leadership in new and emerging applications within the field.
Drexel University College of Medicine (Philadelphia, PA)

Interdepartmental Medical Science (IMS)
Drexel University College of Medicine and MCPHS have an affiliation that provides reserved admission to MCPHS Premedical and Health Studies students who wish to complete the certificate in interdepartmental medical science. Established in 1981, the Interdepartmental Medical Science (IMS) program has been successful in helping students gain entry into U.S. medical schools. The IMS program offers an interdisciplinary curriculum that integrates first-year medical school basic science courses and delivers them through clinical system-based modules. Students apply to medical or other health professional schools either during or after completion of the IMS program. Successful completion of the coursework (B grades or better) demonstrates to health professional schools the student’s ability to handle medical school coursework.

Drexel University College of Medicine (Philadelphia, PA)

Medical Science Preparatory (MSP)
Drexel University College of Medicine and MCPHS have an affiliation that provides reserved admission to MCPHS Premedical and Health Studies students who wish to complete the medical science preparatory certificate. The one-year Medical Science Preparatory (MSP) graduate-level certificate program is designed to enhance academic credentials for application to medical or other health professional schools and to help prepare students for the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) exam or to improve current MCAT scores.

D'Youville College (Buffalo, NY)

Chiropractic (DC)
This dual-degree program allows for the highly motivated high school student to attain the bachelor of science (BS) in premedical and health studies and the doctor of chiropractic (DC) degrees in seven years. The MCPHS Premedical and Health Studies program, combined with D'Youville College’s chiropractic program, gives students the quality education they need to succeed in the highly demanding field of chiropractic medicine. The first three years at MCPHS offer a blend of basic and biological sciences along with liberal arts courses, which prepares the student for professional study. Upon completion of the first year at D'Youville, MCPHS awards the BS in premedical and health studies degree. The total of four years at D'Youville College will provide the classroom instruction and broad clinical experience required for the doctoral degree in chiropractic medicine.

Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (Erie, PA or Bradenton, FL)

Osteopathic Medicine (DO)
MCPHS and Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) have established an early acceptance program agreement whereby MCPHS students are enrolled jointly by MCPHS and LECOM to facilitate the admission of MCPHS students into LECOM’s Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine program. LECOM will interview students prior to their enrollment at MCPHS or within the first two years of study at MCPHS. Students who interview successfully will be offered a provisional acceptance to LECOM’s Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine program. Upon meeting the criteria for final acceptance, they will matriculate at the LECOM campus of their choice: Erie, PA or Bradenton, FL. The early acceptance program offers two tracks: (1) The “4+4” track is the recommended pathway for most students. (2) The “3+4” track is available to all students but is typically utilized by the highly motivated student who wishes to enter medical school before receiving an undergraduate degree or a nontraditional student who already has a degree. Students enrolled in this track may receive a baccalaureate degree in an appropriate field from MCPHS upon successful completion of at least 30 credit hours at LECOM.

Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (Bradenton, FL)

Dental Medicine (DMD)
MCPHS and Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) have established an early acceptance program agreement whereby MCPHS students are enrolled jointly by MCPHS and LECOM to facilitate the admission of MCPHS students into LECOM’s Doctor of Dental Medicine program. LECOM will interview the student prior to his/her enrollment at MCPHS or within the first two years of study at MCPHS. Students interviewing successfully will be offered a provisional acceptance to LECOM’s Doctor of Dental Medicine program. Upon meeting the criteria for final acceptance, they will matriculate at the LECOM Bradenton, FL campus. Students complete four years of undergraduate education at MCPHS and four years of dental school education at LECOM and its associated clinical training sites.

New York Methodist Hospital (Brooklyn, NY)

Clinical Laboratory Science (CLS)
MCPHS and New York Methodist Hospital have an articulated transfer program whereby MCPHS students who have completed three
years of the agreed-to curriculum in the BS in Medical and Molecular Biology program may then enroll in the New York Methodist Hospital’s School of Clinical Laboratory Science for 12 months of didactic and clinical education. Students earn the BS degree from MCPHS after successful completion of the yearlong program of study at New York Methodist Hospital and will be eligible to sit for the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) examinations.

MCPHS and New York Methodist Hospital have a second agreement whereby MCPHS students complete their BS in medical and molecular biology and then enroll in New York Methodist Hospital’s School of Clinical Laboratory Science for 12 months of didactic and clinical education. Completion of the clinical phase allows students to sit for the ASCP examinations.

**Ross University School of Medicine (Dominica)**

**Medicine (MD)**
This partnership joins the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Premedical and Health Studies program at MCPHS with the doctor of medicine (MD) degree at Ross University School of Medicine, Dominica. The goal of this alliance is to provide a professional pathway for the academically outstanding student who has a strong passion for medicine. The four years at MCPHS provide a challenging baccalaureate curriculum in premedical and health studies that prepares students for professional study. Upon graduation from MCPHS, the subsequent three years and eight months at Ross University provide the professional education required for the MD degree and a choice residency.

Founded in 1978, Ross University’s mission is to help students become effective, successful physicians through its technologically advanced campus, exceptional faculty, and rigorous U.S.-style curriculum. Ross University offers an accelerated, U.S.-based trimester curriculum in which students study year-round. Students may begin their medical studies in the September, January, or May semester. Students complete the first four semesters of study (basic science requirements) in the Caribbean on the island of Dominica. Because Ross University operates on a three-semester schedule, students are able to complete the basic sciences curriculum in just 16 months. Students then return to the United States for the start of their clinical training and completion of their medical education. The fifth semester is spent at the Ross University campus in Miami, which provides an important bridge between the first four semesters of basic science education at the Dominica campus and the last five semesters of clinical rotations that take place at more than 70 U.S. teaching hospitals affiliated with Ross University. Graduates of Ross University are able to enter U.S. residency programs in every specialty of medicine. They are eligible to be licensed in all 50 states and Canada and to become leaders in their fields as practitioners, educators, and researchers.

**Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine (St. Kitts)**

**Veterinary Medicine (DVM)**
This partnership joins the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Premedical and Health Studies program at MCPHS with the doctor of veterinary medicine (DVM) degree at Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine, St. Kitts. The goal of this alliance is to provide a professional pathway program and a unique educational opportunity for the highly motivated student with a professional goal of becoming a veterinarian. The program allows for completion of the BS degree at MCPHS and the DVM degree at Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine, St. Kitts in seven years and four months.

Founded in 1982, Ross University’s School of Veterinary Medicine was established on the island of St. Kitts in the Caribbean to make it possible for qualified students to realize their dream of becoming veterinarians. Ross offers an accelerated, U.S.-based trimester curriculum in which students study year-round. Students may begin their veterinarian studies in the September, January, or May semester. Students complete the first seven semesters of study in St. Kitts, taking preclinical courses modeled on those taught in U.S. schools. Students complete their last three semesters of study at one of 22 American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA)—accredited veterinarian schools affiliated with Ross University, located throughout the United States. Graduates of Ross University can be licensed in all 50 states and become leaders in their fields as practitioners, teachers, and researchers. Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine is fully accredited by the AVMA Council on Education.

**Springfield College (Springfield, MA)**

**Occupational Therapy (MS)**
Through this affiliation, students earn the BS and MS degrees in five years. The BS in premedical and health studies degree from MCPHS is earned after the fourth year of study (first year at Springfield College), and the MS in occupational therapy degree is awarded after successful completion of the fifth year (second year at Springfield).

The three-year program of study at MCPHS offers a blend of courses in the liberal arts and sciences. The two years at Springfield College provide a highly integrated academic and clinical education that is rooted in the college’s humanistic philosophy: that health and learning are best gained through an approach that unifies spirit, mind, and body. The Springfield curriculum includes the theory, skills, and administration of occupational therapy across the lifespan. Students learn to work with individuals whose abilities to engage in the everyday tasks of living or the mastery of self and the environment are challenged by developmental delays, mental or social
disabilities, physical dysfunction, chronic illness, or age. The occupational therapy program at Springfield College has been fully accredited as an entry-level master’s degree program since 1991 by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education.

A.T. Still University / Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine (Kirksville, MO)

Osteopathic Medicine (DO)
A.T. Still University / Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine (KCOM) and MCPHS have an affiliation that provides reserved admission to KCOM for highly qualified MCPHS students through the Still Scholars, PreOsteopathic program. Students are admitted to KCOM at the beginning of their third year at MCPHS. If they continue to meet KCOM admission requirements, the MCAT exam is waived and, following completion of the four-year BS in premedical and health studies degree, they have a reserved space at KCOM. This professional pathway provides an exceptional opportunity for the highly motivated high school student with a professional goal of becoming a doctor of osteopathic medicine. A.T. Still founded the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in the late nineteenth century; it is the oldest school of osteopathic medicine in the United States.

The program allows for completion of the bachelor of science degree at MCPHS in four years and the doctor of osteopathic medicine degree at A.T. Still University / Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in another four years. The osteopathic curriculum involves four years of postbaccalaureate academic study. Reflecting the osteopathic philosophy, the curriculum emphasizes preventive medicine and holistic patient care. Medical students learn to use osteopathic principles and techniques for the diagnosis and treatment of disease.

Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine (Philadelphia, PA)

Podiatric Medicine and Surgery (DPM)
MCPHS and Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine (TUSPM) have an affiliation that provides reserved admission to qualified students. MCPHS students who complete the BS in premedical and health studies or the BS in medical and molecular biology must meet Temple’s admissions standards in effect at the time of their application to Temple, including coursework, grades, standardized test scores, and any other admissions criteria. Students spend four years working toward the doctor of podiatric medicine and surgery degree.

University at Albany, State University of New York (Albany, NY)

Public Health (MPH)
Through this articulation agreement, students earn a bachelor of science (BS) degree from MCPHS and a master of public health (MPH) degree from University at Albany, State University of New York. The program allows for completion of the BS degree at MCPHS in four years, plus up to two years at the University at Albany for the MPH degree. The MPH degree is an interdisciplinary professional degree designed to prepare graduates to tackle real public health problems as practitioners who can apply their breadth of understanding as well as some degree of expertise and experience in at least one specific area of public health. Students in the MPH program choose a concentration from biomedical sciences, biostatistics, environmental health, epidemiology, health policy and management, or social behavior and community health. The University at Albany will accept up to six qualified MCPHS students each year from the BS in Health Psychology program. Qualified MCPHS students in the BS in Premedical and Health Studies program also may be considered.

University of Massachusetts Boston (Boston, MA)

Business Administration (MBA)
Through this agreement, qualified students in the BS in Pharmaceutical and Health Care Business program at MCPHS may be admitted into the master of business administration (MBA) program at the University of Massachusetts Boston and earn an MBA in 12 to 16 months, following the completion of their BS degree program at MCPHS.

Entry from Other Institutions to MCPHS Health Professions Programs

Assumption College (Worcester, MA)

Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)
Assumption College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Assumption College, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with two years in the accelerated Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS-Worcester or MCPHS-Manchester campus. The curriculum at Assumption College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Assumption, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.
Pharmacy (PharmD)
Assumption College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Assumption College, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with three years in the accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at Assumption College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Assumption, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the PharmD program.

Nursing (BSN)
Assumption College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Assumption College, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with 16 months in the accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at Assumption College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Assumption, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the BSN program.

Physical Therapy (DPT)
Assumption College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Assumption College, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with three years in the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Assumption College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Assumption, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the DPT program.

Optometry (OD)
Assumption College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Assumption College, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with four years in the Doctor of Optometry (OD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Assumption College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Assumption, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the OD program.

Cape Cod Community College (West Barnstable, MA)
Dental Hygiene (MSDH)
Cape Cod Community College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with earning an associate of science degree in dental hygiene and concludes with three years in the AD to MS in Dental Hygiene Bridge program at MCPHS Online. Qualified students must meet the GPA requirement, proof of current employment as a dental hygienist, and evidence of one year of work experience in any healthcare field in order to be eligible for entry to the MSDH program.

Nursing (MSN)
Cape Cod Community College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with earning an associate of science degree in nursing and concludes with three years in the ADN to MSN Bridge program at MCPHS Online. Qualified students must meet all prerequisite and GPA requirements and have a current RN license prior to matriculation in order to be eligible for entry to the MSN program.

Clark University (Worcester, Mass.)
Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)
Clark University and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Clark University, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with two years in the accelerated Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Clark University offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Clark University, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.

Pharmacy (PharmD)
Clark University and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Clark University, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with three years in the accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Clark University offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Clark University, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the PharmD program.

Nursing (BSN)
Clark University and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with
four years at Clark University, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with 16 months in the accelerated Nursing (BSN) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Clark University offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Clark University, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the BSN program.

College of the Holy Cross (Worcester, Mass.)

Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)
College of the Holy Cross and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Holy Cross, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with two years in the Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at Holy Cross offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Holy Cross, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.

Pharmacy (PharmD)
College of the Holy Cross and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Holy Cross, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with two years in the accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Holy Cross offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Holy Cross, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the PharmD program.

Nursing (BSN)
College of the Holy Cross and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Holy Cross, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with 16 months in the accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Holy Cross offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Holy Cross, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the BSN program.

Physical Therapy (DPT)
College of the Holy Cross and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Holy Cross, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with three years in the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Holy Cross offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Holy Cross, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the DPT program.

Mount Wachusett Community College (Gardner, Mass.)

Nursing (MSN)
Mount Wachusett Community College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with earning an associate of science degree in nursing and concludes with three years in the ADN to MSN Bridge program at MCPHS Online. Qualified students must meet all prerequisite and GPA requirements and have a current RN license prior to matriculation in order to be eligible for entry to the MSN program.

New England College (Henniker, N.H.)

Nursing (BSN)
New England College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at New England College, earning a bachelor of science degree and completing successfully all courses in the prenursing program, and concludes with 16 months in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program on the MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at New England College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at New England College, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the BSN program.

Pharmacy (PharmD)
New England College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at New England College, earning a bachelor of science degree and completing successfully all courses in the prepharmacy program, and concludes with three years in the Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program on the MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at New England College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at New England College, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the PharmD program.
**Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)**
New England College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at New England College, earning a bachelor of science degree and completing successfully all courses in the pre-physician assistant studies program, and concludes with two years in the Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at New England College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at New England College, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.

**Quinsigamond Community College (Worcester, Mass.)**

**Nursing (MSN)**
Quinsigamond Community College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with earning an associate of science degree in nursing and concludes with three years in the ADN to MSN Bridge program at MCPHS Online. Qualified students must meet all prerequisite and GPA requirements and have a current RN license prior to matriculation in order to be eligible for entry to the MSN program.

**Saint Anselm College (Manchester, N.H.)**

**Physical Therapy (DPT)**
Saint Anselm College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Saint Anselm, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with three years in the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Saint Anselm offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Saint Anselm, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the DPT program.

**Nursing (BSN)**
Saint Anselm College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Saint Anselm, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with 16 months in the accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at Saint Anselm offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Saint Anselm, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the BSN program.

**Pharmacy (PharmD)**
Saint Anselm College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Saint Anselm, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with three years in the accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at Saint Anselm offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Saint Anselm, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the PharmD program.

**Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)**
Saint Anselm College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Saint Anselm, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with two years in the Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at Saint Anselm offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Saint Anselm, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.

**Optometry (OD)**
Saint Anselm College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Saint Anselm, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with four years in the Doctor of Optometry (OD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Saint Anselm offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Saint Anselm, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the OD program.

**Saint Joseph's College of Maine (Standish, Maine)**

**Pharmacy (PharmD)**
Undergraduate students may complete the first two years of the prescribed prepharmacy curriculum at Saint Joseph’s College of Maine in Standish, Maine. Students who meet the requirements specified in the agreement may transfer directly to either the School of Pharmacy–Boston or the School of Pharmacy–Worcester/Manchester to complete the Doctor of Pharmacy curriculum.
Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)
Students who intend to complete an undergraduate degree at Saint Joseph’s College of Maine may be accepted into the postbaccalaureate Master of Physician Assistant Studies program on the MCPHS–Manchester campus. The direct articulation following completion of the bachelor’s degree at Saint Joseph’s College of Maine is contingent upon meeting requirements specified in the agreement.
Salem State University (Salem, Mass.)

Physical Therapy (DPT)
Salem State University and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Salem State, earning a bachelor’s degree in biology, chemistry, or related field, and concludes with three years in the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Salem State offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Salem State, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the DPT program.

Pharmacy (PharmD)
Salem State University and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Salem State, earning a bachelor’s degree in biology, chemistry, or related field, and concludes with three years in the accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at Salem State offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Salem State, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the PharmD program.

Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)
Salem State University and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Salem State, earning a bachelor’s degree in biology, chemistry, or related field, and concludes with two years in the Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at Salem State offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Salem State, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.

Optometry (OD)
Salem State University and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Salem State, earning a bachelor’s degree in biology, chemistry, or related field, and concludes with four years in the Doctor of Optometry (OD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Salem State offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Salem State, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the OD program.

Simmons College (Boston, Mass.)

Pharmacy (PharmD)
With appropriate approval, selected Simmons students majoring in chemistry may earn a pharmacy degree from MCPHS–Boston, in addition to their chemistry degree from Simmons. The curriculum consists of three full years in residence at Simmons, a fourth year that includes 8 semester hours of independent study at Simmons with the remainder of the coursework at MCPHS, and an additional three years at MCPHS completing coursework and experiential education. Students fulfill the degree requirements of both institutions; no degree is awarded until the entire program is complete. At that time, the student receives a PharmD degree from MCPHS and a BS in chemistry from Simmons.

Stonehill College (Easton, Mass.)

Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)
Stonehill College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Stonehill College, earning a bachelor of science degree in either biology or a multidisciplinary health sciences program, and concludes with three years in the Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS–Boston campus. The curriculum at Stonehill College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Stonehill, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.

Stonehill College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Stonehill College, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with two years in the accelerated Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at Stonehill College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Stonehill, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.

Pharmacy (PharmD)
Stonehill College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Stonehill College, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with three years in the accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at
Stonehill College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Stonehill, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the PharmD program.

**Nursing (BSN)**
Stonehill College and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at Stonehill College, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with 16 months in the accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at Stonehill College offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at Stonehill, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the BSN program.

**University of Maine (Orono, Maine)**

**Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)**
University of Maine and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at University of Maine, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with two years in the accelerated Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at University of Maine offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at University of Maine, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.

**Pharmacy (PharmD)**
University of Maine and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at University of Maine, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with three years in the accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at University of Maine offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at University of Maine, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the PharmD program.

**Nursing (BSN)**
University of Maine and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at University of Maine, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with 16 months in the accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at University of Maine offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at University of Maine, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the BSN program.

**University of New Hampshire at Manchester (Manchester, N.H.)**

**Pharmacy (PharmD)**
University of New Hampshire at Manchester (UNH Manchester) and MCPHS–Manchester have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with three years of prepharmacy study at UNH Manchester and concludes with the three-year accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy program on the MCPHS–Manchester campus. After successfully completing the first year of required coursework in the PharmD program at MCPHS, students will earn a bachelor of science (BS) or bachelor of arts (BA) degree (as applicable) from UNH Manchester. The first three years at UNH Manchester offer a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets both the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements and the specific science track requirements at UNH Manchester. MCPHS provides the coursework needed for the student to earn the BS or BA degree from UNH Manchester at the end of the first year of professional study, as well as the professional education required to earn the Doctor of Pharmacy degree at the end of three years at MCPHS–Manchester.

**Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)**
University of New Hampshire at Manchester (UNH Manchester) and MCPHS–Manchester have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at UNH Manchester, earning a bachelor of science (BS) or bachelor of arts (BA) degree (as applicable) and completing successfully all courses in the pre-physician assistant studies program, and concludes with two years in the Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at UNH Manchester offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at UNH Manchester, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.

**Worcester Polytechnic Institute (Worcester, Mass.)**

**Physical Therapy (DPT)**
Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated...
program that begins with four years at WPI, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology, chemistry, or a related field, and concludes with three years in the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at WPI offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at WPI, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the DPT program.

**Pharmacy (PharmD)**

Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at WPI, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology, chemistry, or a related field, and concludes with three years in the accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at WPI offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at WPI, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the PharmD program.

**Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)**

Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at WPI, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology, chemistry, or a related field, and concludes with three years in the accelerated Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at WPI offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at WPI, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.

**Optometry (OD)**

Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at WPI, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology, chemistry, or a related field, and concludes with four years in the Doctor of Optometry (OD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at WPI offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at WPI, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the OD program.

**Worcester State University (Worcester, MA)**

**Nursing (BSN)**

Worcester State University (WSU) and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins at WSU with the completion of 80 credits toward a bachelor of science (BS) degree in public health at WSU and concludes with 16 months in the accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. Under this agreement, students will earn a BS in Public Health degree from WSU and a BSN degree from MCPHS after completion of the entire program. The curriculum at WSU offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at WSU, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the BSN program.

**Pharmacy (PharmD)**

Worcester State University (WSU) and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with three years at WSU in one of four science tracks—biology, biotechnology, chemistry, or natural science—and concludes with the three-year accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. After successfully completing the first year of required coursework in the PharmD program at MCPHS, students will earn a bachelor of science (BS) degree from WSU. The first three years at WSU offer a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets both the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements and the specific science track requirements at WSU. MCPHS provides the coursework needed for students to earn the BS degree from WSU at the end of the first year of professional study, as well as the professional education required to earn the Doctor of Pharmacy degree at the end of three years at MCPHS.

**Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)**

Worcester State University (WSU) and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at WSU, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with two years in the accelerated Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program on the MCPHS–Worcester or MCPHS–Manchester campus. The curriculum at WSU offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at WSU, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the MPAS program.

**Optometry (OD)**

Worcester State University (WSU) and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at WSU, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with four years in the Doctor of Optometry (OD) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at WSU offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at WSU, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the OD program.
Physical Therapy (DPT)
Worcester State University (WSU) and MCPHS have a formal affiliation agreement that admits students into an articulated program that begins with four years at WSU, earning a bachelor of arts degree in biology (or related field), and concludes with three years in the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program on the MCPHS–Worcester campus. The curriculum at WSU offers a blend of liberal arts and sciences that meets the MCPHS general education curriculum requirements, the specific degree requirements at WSU, and the specified preprofessional coursework for entry to the DPT program.
Student Services

Academic Resource Center / Academic Support Services

The goal of the Academic Resource Center in Boston, and Academic Support Services in Worcester and Manchester, is to assist students in maximizing their potential by introducing them to strategies that will make them more efficient, effective, and independent learners. These University resources are designed to provide students with the tools that they will need to succeed in their academic programs and that they can ultimately use to enhance their professional careers. Services are described below, and more information is available on their respective websites.

The Academic Resource Center (ARC) in Boston uses a multipronged approach to foster student success in college. The ARC houses Academic Advising, Academic Counseling, peer tutoring, peer mentoring, and First Year Seminar, and works in close alliance with faculty mentors, the Writing Center, and the Math Center. The ARC seeks to develop the whole student by enhancing integrity, professionalism, and self-responsibility. Students who are willing to make a commitment to their academic success and are serious about pursuing their educational and professional goals will learn how academic support outside the classroom contributes to that success.

On the Worcester and Manchester campuses, academic counselors provide support to students who want to maximize their performance in the accelerated, professional curriculum. Peer mentors provide individual and group tutoring to the students in their learning groups. Academic Support Services works with faculty to schedule workshops within the classroom on best practices for academic success, including study skills, time management, test-taking strategies, critical thinking, academic reading, and writing and citation skills.

Academic Counseling

Professional staff members meet with individual students to help them assess their learning styles, to develop goals for their academic programs, and to assist them in implementing strategies that will maximize their academic performance. In addition to study skills and time management strategies, academic counselors work with students to problem solve around specific academic issues and to help students identify the services, such as peer tutoring, that will help them achieve their goals. Academic counselors work with students at all levels of academic success and, in keeping with the core values of the University, support the integration of liberal arts and professional studies.

Academic Advising (Boston)

Within the ARC, the Academic Advising Center is committed to shaping a dynamic advising environment designed to meet the educational needs of the student body. The professional staff and faculty who work in the Center are available to assist students with goal setting, course registration, referral to campus resources, and other services designed to contribute to their academic experience. They provide focused advising for each degree program by helping students understand their specific program requirements and policies.

Peer Tutoring

Peer or small-group tutoring is one tool available to students interested in reinforcing the material presented in the classroom. Small groups of students meet regularly with a student peer tutor to clarify and reinforce course materials in many of the more challenging courses at the University. The ARC and Academic Support Services staff work in collaboration with faculty to provide peer tutoring that facilitates and enriches students’ learning and understanding of course content. Peer tutors are students who excel in their areas of study and who enjoy helping their fellow students achieve academic success. Free online tutoring is available through Smarthinking. There is no charge for group or online tutoring services.

Disabilities Support Services

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Amendments Act of 2008 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Disabilities Support Services Office within Student Affairs (Boston) and Academic Support Services (Worcester and Manchester) assists students with physical, psychological, and learning or other disabilities in fulfilling the fundamental requirements of the curriculum by accessing and providing reasonable accommodations. Students wishing to request accommodations should meet with the Associate Director for Disability Support Services (Boston) or the Assistant Dean for Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester) at the beginning of each semester to review their documentation and determine their accommodations. Those students requesting academic accommodations must first submit a copy of a recent evaluation, assessment, or report completed by a qualified professional to the Disability Support Services Office (Boston) or the Academic Support Services Office (Worcester and Manchester). The evaluation should include a diagnosis, the impact of the disability on the student’s learning, the credentials of the evaluator, and recommendations for accommodations. All information related to the student’s disability will remain confidential and will not be shared with faculty, administration, or MCPHS staff without the student’s written consent. The Boston Office of Disability
Support Services may be contacted at 617.879.5925; Disability Support Services for the Worcester and Manchester campuses may be contacted at 508.373.5608.

First Year Seminar (Boston)
The first year of college is an important transition for students, one that requires higher levels of thinking and learning than before. The First Year Seminar (FYS) offers a systematic and structured learning experience to help students adapt to the fast-paced and self-directed learning environment at MCPHS. FYS helps students increase their understanding of University requirements, teaches studying and learning strategies, and assists in improving retention and persistence by helping students know what to expect. It aims to provide a transition to college that enriches students' learning and understanding of MCPHS resources, curricula, and policies. FYS classes are taught by faculty, staff, and peer mentors who are dedicated to assisting students in their transition to MCPHS. All first-year students new to college are required to enroll in First Year Seminar. Questions may be directed to the Academic Resource Center at 617.732.2860.

Peer Mentors
Peer mentors are upper-level students interested in working with first-year students to acquaint them with the University and to help them make a smooth transition to MCPHS. On the Boston campus, peer mentors attend Welcome Days, participate in First Year Seminar, and plan cocurricular activities for their seminar class throughout the fall semester. Worcester and Manchester peer mentors are actively involved in Orientation and continue to assist students throughout the first year in their programs.

Pharmacy Learning Groups (Worcester and Manchester)
Worcester and Manchester pharmacy students are organized into assigned learning groups, which are designed to enhance learning and group support. Each learning group consists of students who remain together as a unit throughout the curriculum, and each group is assigned a faculty member as academic advisor. Peer mentors are assigned to learning groups to further facilitate peer support.

Writing Center (Boston)
The Writing Center offers free individual consultation on an appointment or drop-in basis to MCPHS students, staff, and faculty. Located in the Academic Resource Center, the Writing Center is staffed by professionals with extensive experience in classroom teaching, writing, and editing. Clients include first-year students in the required writing sequence; upper-division students writing course papers and preparing for essay exams; and anyone working on résumés, cover letters, or personal statements. For more information, call 617.732.2091 or email writingcenter@mcphs.edu.

Math Center (Boston)
Mathematics lies at the foundation of all sciences. Proficiency in mathematics is essential for success in all MCPHS degree programs. The Math Center is located in the White Building and provides guidance in learning mathematics, assistance with homework, and help in preparing for exams. The Math Center offers free drop-in tutoring (no appointment necessary) and individual tutoring by appointment. For more information, please refer to the MCPHS website or email mathcenter@mcphs.edu.

Center for Professional Career Development
The Center for Professional Career Development provides all students with individualized advising, industry-specific information and resources, development of job search skills, and the opportunity for hands-on professional experiences to support personal goals and career success. Through workshops, job fairs, alumni and community networking, and employer partnerships, students have access to a range of programs to meet their needs and their schedules. The center works in collaboration with academic departments, student services, student organizations, and professional associations to ensure quality engagements and timely information. By utilizing the services of the Center, students will become proficient in defining their goals and equipping themselves with the tools to gain access to industries and careers of their choice.

Counseling Services
The mission of Counseling Services is to support the intellectual, emotional, social, and cultural development of students in a multicultural environment. Counseling Services offers varied services to students of the Boston, Worcester, and Manchester campuses. These include short-term counseling (four to eight sessions); crisis management; psychoeducational workshops and programs; a resource and referral service; and consultation to student groups, faculty, and the University community. The staff values an atmosphere that is welcoming and comfortable for all students regardless of race, gender, ethnic background, age, sexual orientation, religion, citizenship, or disability.

Counseling Services offers treatment based on a short-term model. Following an initial intake appointment, clients are matched with a counselor and offered counseling sessions or, if appropriate, referred to an outside treatment provider. Upon completion of these sessions, treatment needs are reviewed to determine whether continued treatment with Counseling Services or referral to an outside provider is indicated. Counselors typically work with students troubled by specific problems or general concerns, such as stress management, adjustment to college, anxiety, depression, eating disorders, family and relationship problems, substance abuse, sexuality, sexual orientation, and cultural issues.
Please refer to https://my.mcphs.edu/departments/counseling-services for more detailed information about services available at each campus, as well as interactive screenings, questions, and answers about Counseling Services, and other helpful links.

**Emergency Student Loans**

Students who are in need of short-term assistance may apply for an emergency student loan for noncollege, unanticipated expenses. The loans are available for up to $500 per academic term. These no-interest loans must be repaid within two months. Students must be able to show the probability of income within this time frame. All requests are reviewed on an individual basis. Students may contact the Office of Student Financial Services for further information and assistance in completing the necessary forms.

**Health Insurance**

According to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and MCPHS policy, all matriculated students (regardless of enrollment) must be covered by a health insurance program. The University makes available a general health insurance program that meets these standards. This policy is provided by an independent carrier beginning September 1 and continuing for 12 months. University student health insurance information is located on the MCPHS website under Student Health. Students will be automatically enrolled in this plan unless a waiver is completed and received by Student Financial Services prior to the first day of classes. Students registering late must submit the waiver at that time. The waiver stipulates that personal coverage will be maintained during the enrollment period. If Student Financial Services does not receive the waiver prior to the first day of classes, the student will be billed for the insurance premium and will remain responsible for payment of said premium. The waiver must be renewed annually.

All international students will be enrolled in the University student health insurance plan automatically, with the exception of those international students whose sponsoring institutions have a signed agreement with MCPHS that complies with the University’s health insurance waiver requirements; or international students with a plan for which the insurer’s primary home office is based in the United States and the policy provides comparable coverage to the University student health insurance plan. International students who do not fall under one of the two conditions above must purchase the University student health insurance plan.

**Financial Responsibility of Students Following an Injury, Accident, Exposure, or Needle Stick**

Students are responsible for all costs and expenses resulting from any injuries, accidents, exposures, or needle sticks in which they are involved on campus or during any clinical rotation.

When seeking treatment for any such injury, accident, exposure, or needle stick, a student must present his/her own health insurance information to the healthcare provider. Any deductible or copayment is the student’s responsibility. All students must follow the claims procedures required by their respective insurance companies.

Students are not eligible for workers’ compensation benefits from MCPHS University or any affiliated teaching hospital or clinical site to which they are assigned while completing their clinical requirements because students are not employees of either the University or such clinical facilities.

**Health Services**

For routine healthcare while on the Boston campus, MCPHS students utilize the Massachusetts College of Art and Design / Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates (HVMA) Student Health Services located on the second floor of the 578 Huntington Avenue residence hall. Students utilize their personal health insurance for these visits. HVMA accepts a large number of health insurance plans. For more information about the array of medical services, directions, and the small list of nonaccepted health insurance plans at Student Health Services, please visit https://my.mcphs.edu/departments/health-services/boston.

Health Services for Worcester and Manchester students are available through many local health providers.

**Identification Policy**

For reasons of safety and security, all students must be readily identifiable while they are on campus and/or engaged in required off-campus activities, including internships and clinical rotations. Therefore, any head covering that obscures a student’s face may not be worn, either on campus or at clinical sites, except when required for medical or religious reasons. In addition, all students are required to wear their University-issued ID at all times when on campus and/or engaged in required off-campus activities, and to show such upon request of a properly identified official or member of the MCPHS staff, and to remove any covering that obscures the student’s face in order to verify the student’s identity for security purposes. Loss of an ID card should be reported immediately to the MCPHS Department of Public Safety. The fee to replace an ID card—for any reason—is $10; application and payment for replacement is made at the Office of the Registrar. The ID card also serves as the University library card.

**Immunization Requirements**

In accordance with state law and University policy, students must show proof of required immunizations. Noncompliance with
University immunization requirements will result in administrative withdrawal from the University or might negatively impact progression in an academic program.

**How and when to report your immunizations to MCPHS:**
Compliance with required immunizations must be documented and submitted prior to the first day of the first semester of admission to the University. MCPHS University works with two external companies, SentryMD and CertifiedProfile, to support immunization tracking and management.

- All existing MCPHS students enrolled prior to the 2013 summer semester should continue to submit their immunization documentation to SentryMD.
- All students new to MCPHS beginning with the 2013 summer semester should submit their immunization documentation to CertifiedProfile as instructed by the Admission Office.

**The following MCPHS students must show proof of required immunizations:**
- All full-time students, including students attending MCPHS while on a visa
- All part-time students, including students attending MCPHS while on a visa
- All online students who might be in contact with patients

All students attending or visiting MCPHS as part of a formal academic visitation or exchange program

**Students in the following programs must have the immunizations set forth below:**

**Dental Hygiene**
- Measles vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Mumps vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Rubella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis vaccination (one dose of Tdap within last 10 years). Please note that a Tdap is required. When a Tdap vaccination expires after 10 years, a Td booster is required.
- Hepatitis B immunization series (three doses) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Varicella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Annual tuberculosis skin test. If results are positive, a clear chest x-ray (with laboratory report or physician verification of results) or a physician letter verifying the student is symptom free is required each year.
- Annual influenza shot (must be obtained as soon as the vaccine for the annual flu season becomes available each fall)
- Meningococcal vaccine (one dose within the past five years)—required only of those students living in University-sponsored housing

**Doctor of Pharmacy**
- Measles vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Mumps vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Rubella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis vaccination (one dose of Tdap within last 10 years). Please note that a Tdap is required. When a Tdap vaccination expires after 10 years, a Td booster is required.
- Hepatitis B immunization series (three doses) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Varicella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Annual tuberculosis skin test. If results are positive, a clear chest x-ray (with laboratory report or physician verification of results) or a physician letter verifying the student is symptom free is required each year.*
- Annual influenza shot (must be obtained as soon as the vaccine for the annual flu season becomes available each fall)*
- Meningococcal vaccine (one dose within the past five years)—required only of those students living in University-sponsored housing

*Doctor of Pharmacy—Boston students must complete these requirement by the start of Year III (first professional year of the curriculum) and annually thereafter.

**Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Nuclear Medicine Technology, Radiation Therapy, and Radiography**
- Measles vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Mumps vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Rubella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis vaccination (one dose of Tdap within last 10 years). Please note that a Tdap is required. When a Tdap vaccination expires after 10 years, a Td booster is required.
• Hepatitis B immunization series (three doses) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Varicella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Annual tuberculosis skin test. If results are positive, a clear chest x-ray (with laboratory report or physician verification of results) or a physician letter verifying the student is symptom free is required each year.
• Annual influenza shot (must be obtained as soon as the vaccine for the annual flu season becomes available each fall)
• Meningococcal shot (one dose within the past five years)—required only of those students living in University-sponsored housing

**Nursing**

• Measles vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Mumps vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Rubella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis vaccination (one dose of Tdap within last 10 years). Please note that a Tdap is required. When a Tdap vaccination expires after 10 years, a Td booster is required.
• Hepatitis B immunization series (three doses) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Varicella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Annual two-step tuberculosis skin test (two tests within the last 12 months, completed one to three weeks apart). If results are positive, a clear chest x-ray (with laboratory report or physician verification of results) or a physician letter verifying the student is symptom free is required each year.*
• Annual influenza shot (must be obtained as soon as the vaccine for the annual flu season becomes available each fall)*
• Meningococcal vaccine (one dose within the past five years)—required only of those students living in University-sponsored housing

*Bachelor of Science in Nursing—Boston students must complete this requirement by the start of Year II of the curriculum and annually thereafter.

**Optometry**

• Measles vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Mumps vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Rubella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis vaccination (one dose of Tdap within last 10 years). Please note that a Tdap is required. When a Tdap vaccination expires after 10 years, a Td booster is required.
• Hepatitis B immunization series (three doses) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Varicella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Annual tuberculosis skin test. If results are positive, a clear chest x-ray (with laboratory report or physician verification of results) or a physician letter verifying the student is symptom free is required each year.
• Annual influenza shot (must be obtained as soon as the vaccine for the annual flu season becomes available each fall)
• Meningococcal vaccine (one dose within the past five years)—required only of those students living in University-sponsored housing

**Physical Therapy**

• Measles vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Mumps vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Rubella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis vaccination (one dose of Tdap within last 10 years). Please note that a Tdap is required. When a Tdap vaccination expires after 10 years, a Td booster is required.
• Hepatitis B immunization series (three doses) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Varicella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
• Two-step tuberculosis skin test (two tests within the last 12 months, completed one to three weeks apart) for all incoming students;
annual tuberculosis skin test thereafter. If results are positive, a clear chest x-ray (with laboratory report or physician verification of results) or a physician letter verifying the student is symptom free is required each year.

- Annual influenza shot (must be obtained as soon as the vaccine for the annual flu season becomes available each fall)
- Meningococcal vaccine (one dose within the past five years)—required only of those students living in University-sponsored housing

**Physician Assistant Studies**

- Measles vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Mumps vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Rubella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) followed by laboratory evidence of immunity; or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis vaccination (one dose of Tdap *within last 10 years*). Please note that a Tdap is required. When a Tdap vaccination expires after 10 years, a Td booster is required.
- Hepatitis B immunization series (three doses) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Varicella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Annual tuberculosis skin test. If results are positive, a clear chest x-ray (with laboratory report or physician verification of results) or a physician letter verifying the student is symptom free is required each year.
- Annual influenza shot (must be obtained as soon as the vaccine for the annual flu season becomes available each fall)
- Meningococcal vaccine (one dose within the past five years)—required only of those students living in University-sponsored housing

The following immunizations are required of all MCPHS students not enrolled in one of the programs listed above:

- Measles vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Mumps vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Rubella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis vaccination (one dose of Tdap *within last 10 years*). Please note that a Tdap is required. When a Tdap vaccination expires after 10 years, a Td booster is required.
- Hepatitis B immunization series (three doses) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Varicella vaccinations (two immunizations at least four weeks apart) or laboratory evidence of immunity
- Meningococcal vaccine (one dose within the past five years)—required only for those students living in University-sponsored housing

**Waivers/Exemptions**

All MCPHS students who live in University-sponsored housing or who subsequently move into University-sponsored housing must provide documentation of having received a meningococcal vaccine (within the last five years), unless they qualify for one of the exemptions allowed by law. Students living in University-sponsored housing may begin classes without a certificate of immunization against meningococcal disease if (1) the student has a letter from a physician stating that there is a medical reason why he/she cannot receive the vaccine; (2) the student (or the student’s parent or legal guardian, if the student is a minor) presents a statement in writing that such vaccination is against his/her sincere religious belief; or (3) the student (or the student’s parent or legal guardian, if the student is a minor) signs a waiver stating that the student has received information about the dangers of meningococcal disease, reviewed the information provided, and elected to decline the vaccine.

If a student has a medical reason why he/she cannot receive a specific immunization, such immunization may be waived if the student submits a letter (on official letterhead with a signature) from the student’s healthcare provider explaining the reason(s) the student is unable to receive the required vaccination(s).

Immunizations may be waived for religious reasons if a student submits a statement in writing that such immunization is against a sincere religious belief.

**Additional Requirements**

Certain healthcare agencies and clinical training and service learning sites may have additional immunization requirements. In order to be eligible for clinical placements or service learning experiences, students must meet all University immunization requirements and any additional site requirements. In cases in which the site does not pay for the completion of additional immunization requirements, the student is responsible for paying any associated fees that are not covered by their personal health insurance. Without clearance with respect to all University and site immunization requirements, students will not be permitted to begin clinical or service learning placements, and therefore will be unable to meet program requirements.
Students who change academic programs must become compliant with all immunization requirements of their new academic program. Students must contact the office of the Dean of Students for necessary steps to review their immunization compliance with the new academic program. MCPHS works with a confidential health information service company that maintains and processes all student immunization records and monitors compliance with state law immunization requirements. Authorized officials at MCPHS have access to student immunization records to monitor compliance.

**MCPHS International**

MCPHS International is dedicated to serving the needs of both domestic and international students. Not only does MCPHS International offer a variety of programs and resources to support the social, academic, and immigration needs of all international students, but also it fosters the international aspirations of students enrolled in the University. MCPHS International comprises offices for Immigration Services, International Operations, and International Programs, and the English Language Academy.

**Immigration Services**

*Julie Donlon, Director of Immigration Services*

*Jonathan Woodcome, Associate Director of Immigration Services*

*Jodi Hanelt, Associate Director of Immigration Services, Worcester Campus*

Immigration Services provides immigration advice and assistance to international students both before and after their arrival in the United States. The office creates I-20 forms and provides information regarding visa guidelines, travel signatures, employment opportunities, and Social Security cards.

**International Operations**

*Ita Hermouet, Director of International Operations*

The goal of International Operations is to help international students make the most out of their experiences at MCPHS University. This office offers resources that help facilitate the transition to MCPHS University student life. These resources include connecting newly arrived students with international student ambassadors, introducing them to an array of student clubs and organizations, and providing advice about living in Boston.

**International Programs**

*George E. Humphrey, Vice President of International Programs*

The International Programs office serves as a resource for faculty and students who are interested in international service trips, exchange programs, clinical rotations, and travel courses. The Academic Services office provides personalized services in order to help students adapt to the academic practices at MCPHS University. The office assists students with registration, helps them interpret University policies and procedures, fosters goal setting, and aids in supporting students in improving time management and study skills.

**Internships, Licensure, and Certification**

Students graduating from the Dental Hygiene, Nursing, Optometry, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, and Physician Assistant programs at MCPHS University will seek professional licensure in conjunction with a national examination in order to practice in their chosen profession. Regulations governing licensure (and internship) differ from state to state and country to country. The Registrar’s Office completes application materials for licensure candidates and assists students in navigating the overall licensing process. Licensure application preparation sessions are offered for students prior to graduation.

Licensure application materials for all programs will not be released by the Registrar’s Office until the degree and date awarded have been posted to student records. Only materials with a submission deadline required for specific state board testing will be released prior to degree posting.

Students enrolled in the Doctor of Pharmacy program will take part in practical experience overseen by a registered pharmacist. National Association of Boards of Pharmacy guidelines require that pharmacy students complete 1,500 clock hours of practical pharmacy experience prior to applying for licensure. Students completing their practical experience must register as a pharmacy intern (as applicable) with the state in which they complete their internship experience. Internship hours must be documented as specified on the internship application form or state board of pharmacy website. As with licensure, intern eligibility criteria and paperwork differ from state to state. Mandatory intern preparation sessions are scheduled for students before they can apply for internship.

Further information regarding the licensure and internship process can be found on the Registrar’s Office web page, including application materials for Massachusetts (all professions) and New Hampshire (Physician Assistant, Nursing).
PROTECTION FROM HARASSMENT

MCPHS is committed to providing a working and learning environment where all members of the community may pursue careers and studies free from sexual and other types of harassment.

Harassment on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, sexual orientation, sexual identity, age, national origin, ethnicity, veteran or disability status, or any other protected status of any faculty, staff member, or student undermines the basic principles of the community and is not acceptable behavior within the University.

Harassment is defined as the use of derogatory or other comments, or act(s) directed toward an individual’s sex, sexual orientation, sexual identity, race, color, religion, nationality, ethnicity, veteran or disability status, age, or other protected status designed to have or having the impact of

- humiliating or intimidating an individual; or
- impeding and/or interfering with work or academic performance, with employment or academic status, or with the University environment in which work and learning occur.

Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination that is a violation of University policy and federal and state statutes. For purposes of this policy, sexual harassment, whether between people of different sexes or the same sex, is defined to include, but is not limited to, unwanted sexual advances, unwelcome requests for sexual favors, and other behavior of a sexual nature when

- submission to or rejection of such advances, requests, or conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual’s employment or academic status;
- submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as a basis for employment or academic decisions affecting him or her; or
- such advances, requests, or conduct have the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual’s work or academic performance, as the case may be, by creating an intimidating, hostile, humiliating, or sexually offensive work or learning environment.

MCPHS considers any type of harassment a very serious matter. Any member of the University community found to be engaging in harassment, including sexual harassment, or who aids and abets or incites such conduct, will be subjected to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment and/or student expulsion. Further, any retaliation against an individual who has complained about harassment, including sexual harassment, or retaliation against individuals for cooperating with an investigation of any harassment complaint is similarly unlawful and will not be tolerated.

To achieve our goal of providing a working and learning environment free from harassment, including sexual harassment, the University has developed procedural guidelines to properly respond to and resolve complaints. This policy stands not to simply enforce laws surrounding harassment but to transcend legal considerations and appeal to principles governing honorable and civil behavior in our community.

Because MCPHS takes allegations of all types of harassment seriously, we will respond promptly to complaints of harassment, including sexual harassment, and where it is determined that such inappropriate conduct has occurred, we will act promptly to eliminate the conduct and impose such corrective action as is necessary, including disciplinary action where appropriate.

Please note that while this policy sets forth our goals of promoting a working and learning environment that is free of harassment, including sexual harassment, the policy is not designed or intended to limit our authority to discipline or take remedial action for workplace conduct that we deem unacceptable, regardless of whether that conduct satisfies the definition of harassment, including sexual harassment.

Examples of Sexual Harassment

Sexual harassment may occur regardless of the intention of the person engaging in the conduct. While it is not possible to list all those additional circumstances that may constitute sexual harassment, the following are some examples of conduct that, if unwelcome, may constitute sexual harassment depending upon the totality of the circumstances, including the severity of the conduct and its pervasiveness:

- Sexual advances—whether they involve physical touching or not
- Requests for sexual favors in exchange for actual or promised job or academic benefits such as favorable reviews, salary increases, promotions, grades, increased benefits, or continued employment
- Punishment for not complying with requests for sexual favors, such as unfavorable reviews or denial of promotion
- Sexual epithets, jokes; written or oral references to sexual conduct; gossip regarding one’s sex life; comment on an individual’s body; comment about an individual’s sexual activity, deficiencies, or prowess
- Displaying sexually suggestive objects, pictures, or cartoons
- Leering, whistling, touching, brushing against the body, sexual gestures, suggestive or insulting comments
• Inquiries into one’s sexual experiences
• Discussion of one’s sexual activities
• Assault or coerced sexual acts
**Harassment Complaints**
If any member of the MCPHS community believes that he or she has been subjected to harassment, including sexual harassment, that individual has the right to file a complaint with the University. Complaints may be brought orally or in writing. Complaints involving employee-employee harassment or employee-student harassment or student-employee harassment may be reported by contacting any of the following individuals:

- Executive Director of Human Resource Development
- Dean, department chair, or program director
- Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration / CFO / COO
- Vice President for Academic Affairs / Provost
- Vice President for University Development
- Executive Director of the Manchester Campus
- Dean of Students, Boston
- Dean of Students, Worcester/Manchester

Complaints involving student-student harassment should be filed with the Dean of Students.

**Investigation of Harassment Complaints**
When a complaint is received, the allegation will be promptly investigated in a fair and expeditious manner. The Office of Human Resources is responsible for conducting all employee-employee and employee-student investigations involving harassment, including sexual harassment. The Office of Human Resources will notify and communicate with the Dean of Students, as appropriate, when a student is involved in any Human Resources harassment investigation. The Dean of Students is responsible for conducting all student-student investigations involving harassment, including sexual harassment.

The investigation will be conducted in such a way as to maintain confidentiality to the extent practicable under the circumstances. The investigation will include private interviews with the person filing the complaint and with witnesses. The person alleged to have committed harassment, including sexual harassment, will also be interviewed. When the investigation has been completed, the University will, to the extent appropriate, inform the person filing the complaint and the person alleged to have committed the conduct of the results of that investigation.

If it is determined that inappropriate conduct has occurred, the University will act promptly to eliminate the offending conduct, and where it is appropriate the University will also impose disciplinary action.

Please take special note that retaliation against an individual who has complained about harassment, including sexual harassment, and retaliation against individuals for cooperating with an investigation of such a complaint are unlawful and will not be tolerated by the University.

**Disciplinary Action**
If it is determined that inappropriate conduct has been committed by a University employee, such action as is appropriate under the circumstances will be taken. Such action may range from counseling to termination of employment, and may include such other forms of disciplinary action as deemed appropriate.

If it is determined that inappropriate conduct has been committed by a University student, such action as is appropriate under the student discipline system will be taken. Such action may range from warning, mandated counseling, and disciplinary probation to suspension or expulsion, and may include such other forms of disciplinary action as deemed appropriate.

**State and Federal Remedies**
In addition to the above, if an employee or student believes that he or she has been subjected to sexual harassment, the employee or student may file a formal complaint with one or more of the government agencies set forth below. Using the MCPHS complaint process does not prohibit an employee from filing a complaint with these agencies. Each of the agencies has a relatively short time period for filing a claim (EEOC, 300 days; MCAD, 300 days).

1. The United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)
   
   1 Congress Street, 10th Floor
   Boston, MA 02114
   Tel.: 617.565.3200

2. The Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD)
   
   Boston Office
   One Ashburton Place, Room 601
   Boston, MA 02108
   Tel.: 617.727.3990
Contact information for filing complaints with the relevant state official or agency is as follows: Massachusetts students may contact the Office of Attorney General Martha Coakley, One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA 02108-1518, or the Public Inquiry and Assistance Center Hotline, 617.727.8400; New Hampshire students may contact the New Hampshire Division of Higher Education—Higher Education Commission, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301-3494.

**Residence Life (Boston)**

The Office of Residence Life seeks to empower students and staff to create a safe, welcoming, and inclusive residence hall community that supports the academic mission of the University. We provide a living and learning environment in which all students can be successful in their personal and academic pursuits. The cooperative effort of each resident student ensures that life in the residence halls is a positive learning experience, contributing to both personal and professional growth. Living on campus provides each resident the opportunity to strengthen interpersonal skills and enhance awareness of differences. The Office of Residence Life provides a safe, clean, and affordable living and learning environment.

For a description of the Boston residence halls, see the Facilities section. For additional information regarding residence life in Boston, refer to the website at [https://my.mcphs.edu/departments/housing-residence-life/boston](https://my.mcphs.edu/departments/housing-residence-life/boston).

**Residence Life (Worcester)**

For a description of the Worcester residence halls, see the Facilities section. For additional information regarding residence life in Worcester, refer to the website at [www.mcphs.edu/campuses/worcester/housing](http://www.mcphs.edu/campuses/worcester/housing).

**Schumann Fitness Center (Boston)**

The Schumann Fitness Center, located in the Flanagan Campus Center on the Wentworth Institute of Technology (WIT) campus, offers fitness opportunities to MCPHS, WIT, and Mass College of Art and Design students. The Schumann Fitness Center offers an array of Nautilus, cardiovascular, and free-weight equipment. In addition, group exercise and wellness classes such as kickboxing, Pilates, yoga, and Zumba are offered to meet campus needs.

The Schumann Fitness Center houses the Colleges of the Fenway (COF) intramurals program, which promotes team sports activities between and among the six COF campuses. Students participate in recreational sports, including basketball, volleyball, flag football, and soccer (for both men and women). The COF intramural program achieves the benefits of a large university setting while still catering to the diverse needs of each institution. For more information refer to the COF Intramurals website at [www.colleges-fenway.org](http://www.colleges-fenway.org).

**Recreation and Wellness (Worcester)**

All students have the opportunity to obtain University-subsidized memberships to a state-of-the-art fitness facility, the Worcester Fitness Center, with two locations one block from the campus, at Saint Vincent’s Hospital and 440 Grove Street.

**Recreation and Wellness (Manchester)**

Students have the opportunity to obtain University-subsidized memberships to the YMCA, located within one mile of the campus. Reduced rates at a local golf club also are available.
**Student Activities (Boston)**

The Office of Student Activities enhances and supports the academic mission of the University. Through participation in cultural, educational, and social programming, as well as a variety of student groups and clubs, students can develop leadership and organizational skills to function in a diverse society.

The office strategically coordinates programs that foster a campus environment that recognizes, celebrates, and values diversity of religion, race, ethnicity, gender, age, disability, sexual orientation, and nationality. Students at MCPHS–Boston are members of the Colleges of the Fenway Consortium and have access to the resources at the other five colleges in the area.

**Student Activities (Worcester and Manchester)**

Student Activities on the Worcester and Manchester campuses supports the University’s academic mission while connecting students with educational, social, spiritual, and recreational opportunities designed to enhance their overall experience at MCPHS. Programs and initiatives offered encompass a myriad of topics, ranging from diverse cultural, educational, and social events to interclass athletic competitions. Additionally, the Office of Student Activities functions with the goal of fostering the development of students’ leadership and professional skills, preparing them for achievement in their future careers. Often, events will be held in collaboration with other departments to further the University’s mission and promote holistic success.

In addition to providing the student body with programs and connections to resources in the community, the Office of Student Activities supports the Student Government Association and numerous student organizations that exist on campus. These groups celebrate cultural and professional diversity, nurture leadership development, and cater to a variety of student interests.

**Orientation (Boston, Worcester, and Manchester)**

The University holds mandatory Orientation programs during the summer and in January on the Boston, Manchester, and Worcester campuses for newly enrolled students. Orientation provides an opportunity for students to be introduced to the University’s facilities, faculty, and staff, and to their new peers. The mission of student Orientation is to prepare incoming students to be successful members of the MCPHS community. Orientation programs emphasize academic excellence, successful transition to the healthcare profession, and an opportunity to familiarize oneself with campus resources and meet colleagues early on in the program.

**Student Organizations**

There are more than 95 recognized student organizations at the University that provide the campus communities in Boston, Worcester, and Manchester with many options for activities and programming. Contact resources for student organizations are the Office of Student Activities in Boston, the Office of Student Affairs in Worcester, and the Office of Student Affairs in Manchester. The University encourages and promotes participation in student organizations. Involvement in cocurricular programs and activities helps students develop leadership skills that support the achievement of personal and professional goals. MCPHS recognizes, appreciates, and supports the contributions made by student organizations to enhance the quality of student life at the University.

The following is a sample list of current recognized student organizations by campus. The University welcomes new organizations; students wishing to operate an organization on campus are required to complete the recognition process at the Office of Student Activities (Boston) or the Office of Student Affairs (Worcester or Manchester).

**Boston Campus**

*Student Government Association (SGA)*

The SGA functions as the voice for students and student interests. All students of the University are considered members of this organization, and all students have the opportunity to serve as class or organization representatives. The SGA serves as the umbrella organization from which all other student organizations stem, and is charged with appropriating funds for the organizations and their activities and with overseeing class and SGA elections. Executive officers of SGA include the president, president-elect, secretary, treasurer, treasurer-elect, public relations officer, and special events officer. The SGA holds bimonthly meetings that are open to the entire student body.

*American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP)*

The Academy of Student Pharmacists, an official subdivision of the American Pharmacists Association, is a professional organization representing every phase of the pharmacy profession and a vital source of information to pharmacy students.

*Asian Student Association*

The Asian Student Association was established with the goal of unifying the Asian student population and providing a place where Asian students can build friendships and community. The association encourages the Asian student population to experience different Asian cultures by participating in its activities and events held throughout the year. By developing a better understanding of the diversity within Asian culture, students are better prepared to serve the community at large.
Black Student Union (BSU)
The Black Student Union was formed to offer assistance to the black student population and to all individuals who find its services useful. Goals of the organization include arranging tutorials, supporting the Smith Minority Educational Advancement Loan Fund, and eventually starting a new scholarship fund.

Campus Activities Board (CAB)
The Campus Activities Board is a student-run programming board that plans and oversees a diverse activities calendar for the MCPHS student body. From talking with agents to cleaning up after events, this group supervises all aspects of event planning. The group works to ensure that students at MCPHS have a fun and exciting college experience.

The Dispenser, The University Newspaper
The Dispenser was founded by a group of students in May 1975 to provide information and encourage free expression among students, faculty, and administration. The newspaper is published on a regular basis during the academic year, and students participate in all phases of production.

Golf Club
The Golf Club is designed to give MCPHS students the opportunity to compete and exercise while playing the game of golf. Playing golf not only offers students a healthy way to engage in an extracurricular activity but also helps them maintain a good balance between activities and schoolwork.

Graduate Student Association (GSA)
The purpose of the GSA is to identify and protect the rights of graduate students, advance their academic interests, and provide a forum for public debate. The GSA assists graduate students in the academic and social aspects of graduate student life. In addition, the GSA promotes graduate student participation in University affairs and serves as a liaison between graduate students, faculty, and MCPHS administration.

Habitat for Humanity Campus Chapter
The Habitat for Humanity Campus Chapter serves to support societal development by helping our neighbors receive adequate shelter. Its primary functions are building, fund raising, and education. The chapter participates in local builds and organizes fund-raising activities on campus to support our local affiliate as well as our Collegiate Challenge alternative spring break trips.

Indian Student Organization (ISO)
The Indian Student Organization exists to encourage interaction among the Indian community at the University and to address and promote awareness of issues of concern to those of Indian background. Membership is open to everyone.

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF)
The MCPHS Christian Fellowship is a student-led group that exists to provide an open forum for discussion about the personal life and claims of Jesus Christ and to strengthen one another in the understanding of the Christian faith. The group encourages discussion and exploration of issues of spirituality and is a resource to other students regarding dialogue about spiritual issues. The group holds regular meetings and sponsors various activities throughout the academic year.

Muslim Student Association
The Muslim Student Association was established to promote understanding of Islam between Muslim and non-Muslim students. Its goals are to enhance the goodwill and friendship between Muslims and non-Muslims; to involve Muslim students in religious activities such as prayers, celebration of Islamic occasions, meetings, and discussions; to help Muslim students both educationally and socially; to make Islam better understood by Muslim students; and to organize religious and social activities.

National Community Pharmacist Association Student Chapter (NCPA)
The National Community Pharmacist Association Student Chapter provides a forum for students to learn about the opportunities available in independent pharmacy practice.

National Student Nurses Association (NSNA)
This chapter of the National Student Nurses Association aims to promote the development of skills that students will need as responsible and accountable nursing professionals. The association helps develop students who are prepared to lead in the nursing profession in the future.

Phi Lambda Sigma Leadership Society (PLS)
Phi Lambda Sigma is a national Greek letter honor society formed to honor and recognize those who have excelled in leadership and service to the University community, the pharmaceutical community, and the community at large, as well as those who have made significant contributions in the advancement of pharmacy. The Sigma chapter was chartered in 1987.

Physician Assistant Student Society (PASS)
The activities of PASS are intended to foster the personal and professional development of students enrolled in the Physician Assistant..
Studies program. Educational mentoring, community outreach, and professional development are major group activities. Upper-level students serve as peer mentors for more junior students in an effort to facilitate the mastery of the knowledge and skills essential for entry to the profession. Community outreach involves a newsletter, invited speakers, and sponsorship of service-based learning experiences. The professional development of each student is accomplished through a series of seminars on practice-related issues and mentoring experiences involving practicing physician assistants in Boston and the surrounding area.

Premedical Society
The Premedical Society was founded in 1999 for the purpose of assisting and advancing students interested in applying to medical, dental, optometry, podiatry, or veterinary schools. The society is a student-run organization that works in conjunction with the Pre–Health Professional Advisory Committee, which is composed of a diverse group of faculty, to assist students in various aspects of preparation for medical school, including completion of required coursework at MCPHS, preparation for the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT), and navigation of the medical school application process. The Premedical Society participates in various activities, including school events, community service, and professional projects.

Radiologic Science Club
The purpose of the Radiologic Science Club is to promote a sense of unity and shared vision for the Radiologic Science students within the greater MCPHS community, to participate with other MCPHS clubs and organizations in various University events and activities, and to instill the desire for lifelong learning and professional development.

Rho Chi Honor Society
Rho Chi Honor Society is a national honor society and member of the Association of College Honor Societies. The society was founded in 1922, with chapters in all of the pharmacy colleges in the United States. It is strictly an honor society—recognizing, rewarding, and encouraging superior scholarly attainment. Membership is limited to upper-class pharmacy students of outstanding scholarship and character. Psi Chapter of the Rho Chi Society was chartered at the University in 1939.

Student Alumni Association
The Student Alumni Association seeks to build networks between students and alumni. The loyalty of alumni is founded in their undergraduate experience. The Student Alumni Association hopes to create unique opportunities for meaningful dialogue and shared experiences among students, alumni, and administrators.

Student American Dental Hygienists' Association (SADHA)
Students are recognized in a separate category of membership in the American Dental Hygienists’ Association. This membership involves students within an organization that is dedicated to building the moral, ethical, and educational basis of the profession of dental hygiene. The association provides opportunities for students to interface with other practicing dental hygienists locally and throughout the country and to participate in activities affecting the profession.

Student Society of Health-System Pharmacists
The mission of this MCPHS student society is to make students aware of pharmacy practice in health systems, provide information to students about career directions and credentials needed for pharmacy practice in health systems, and encourage student membership and participation in the state society as well as postgraduation involvement.

Pharmacy Fraternities (Boston Campus)
Alpha Zeta Omega
Alpha Zeta Omega, founded in 1919, is a pharmaceutical fraternity composed of pharmacists and undergraduates in pharmacy selected on the basis of character, fellowship, and scholarship. The objectives of the fraternity are to promote the profession of pharmacy and to bring together a body of professionals who, by diligent maintenance of ethical ideals, are a credit to their chosen profession.

Kappa Psi
Kappa Psi, founded in 1879, is the oldest and largest pharmaceutical fraternity. It is a professionally oriented social order that brings together pharmacy students for the mutual benefit of all its members; the inculcation of industry, sobriety, fellowship, and high ideals; the fostering of scholarship and research in pharmacy; and the advancement of the community through professional services. Its chapters are limited to colleges of pharmacy holding membership in the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy. Mu Chapter was founded at the University in 1907.

Lambda Kappa Sigma
Lambda Kappa Sigma (LKS) was established at MCPHS on October 14, 1913, and is the oldest fraternity for women in pharmacy. The mission of the fraternity is to promote the profession of pharmacy among women and to advance women within the profession. The fraternity is dedicated to developing the important intellectual, leadership, and professional skills that its members need to maximize their potential and continue to strive beyond their personal best. Chapter activities include professional projects, social events, and participation in regional and national conventions. Individuals and chapters are recognized annually for excellence in academics, community service, leadership, and professional achievement. In addition to local scholarships, the fraternity offers its members
numerous grants through the LKS Educational Trust. Among the greatest privileges of membership in LKS are the friendships established which last a lifetime. Membership in LKS greatly enhances campus experiences and professional career development.

**Phi Delta Chi**

Since 1883, Phi Delta Chi members have worked to advance the pharmacy profession and its allied interests and to foster and promote a fraternal spirit. Phi Delta Chi members seek enhanced professional and personal success and satisfaction. The fraternity helps both pharmacy students and pharmacists improve their personal and professional skills, inspiring confidence and character and providing insight into human nature. Phi Delta Chi encourages members to develop as leaders, excellent pharmacists, and well-rounded citizens. Phi Delta Chi members aim to improve the health of their patients through the delivery of optimal pharmaceutical care. By training, educating, preparing, and connecting excellent pharmacists, Phi Delta Chi advances the public health and the profession.

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**Student Government Association (SGA)**

The Student Government Association was established to provide a voice for students and student interests. SGA serves as the umbrella organization from which all other student organizations stem. The SGA is responsible for appropriating funds for the organizations and their activities. SGA sponsors various educational and social community activities. The executive officers of the SGA are president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, assistant treasurer, activities chair, and events coordinator. SGA holds biweekly meetings that are open to the student community.

**American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP Worcester Chapter)**

The mission of MCPHS University–Worcester/Manchester Chapter of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy is to build awareness of clinical pharmacy and board certification within pharmacy, to provide knowledge to students about careers in clinical pharmacy and opportunities upon obtaining of a board certification, and to build a stable organization through active membership and participation.

**American Optometric Student Association (AOSA)**

The American Optometric Student Association is the international professional organization for optometry students and is often an initial exposure to organized optometry. Every optometry student at MCPHS becomes a member of AOSA with automatic enrollment. In return, members receive the AOSA newspaper, Foresight, and other benefits from the national organization. MCPHS is the 23rd school to be represented in AOSA on a national level. Furthermore, the AOSA represents student interests to a variety of organizations including the National Board of Examiners in Optometry, International Association of the Board, Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry, and various sections of the American Optometric Association. By becoming a member of the AOSA, students gain the opportunity to attend informative classes, become familiar with various products and manufacturers, and meet fellow students from other schools and colleges of optometry.

**American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP)**

The mission of the American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists is to be the collective voice of student pharmacists, to provide opportunities for professional growth, and to envision and actively promote the future of pharmacy. The APhA-ASP represents more than 19,000 student members in chapters at every school and college of pharmacy throughout the United States and Puerto Rico.

**American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP)**

The MCPHS Worcester student chapter of the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists is an organization that seeks to engage in activities and events that promote proper medication use in the elderly population. These patients are present in many practice sites, including community pharmacies, acute care facilities, and ambulatory care clinics. Our goal is to understand the special needs of geriatric patients and to learn best practices from hands-on experiences so we can improve the quality of care these patients receive as we begin our careers.

**Asian Student Association (ASA)**

The Asian Student Association is organized to promote cooperation among professionals in an educational and community environment; provide an opportunity for the sharing and learning of Vietnamese history, culture, and traditions through various regular programs and activities; promote participation in community programs and activities; build a strong sense of responsibility among its members toward society; and promote harmony with other Asian communities.

**Association of Pharmacists in Industry (API)**

The Association of Pharmacists in Industry is an organization on campus aimed at informing students about jobs and opportunities in industry for people with pharmacy degrees. API educates students through discussions and networking events, and by inviting representatives from major companies to guest lecture on their roles in the company.

**Basketball Club**

The Basketball Club intends to provide a nonacademic means of bringing together students, faculty, and/or staff with the common interest of playing basketball.
Black Student Union (BSU)
The Black Student Union was organized to celebrate and honor the culture, history, and diversity of the African diaspora. The organization enhances the MCPHS community by sponsoring many cultural, educational, and social events.

Chess Club / Game Club
The Chess Club/Game Club tries to enhance student life by providing a fun and exciting diversion from the academic life of the student body by participating in chess and other board games.

Christian Student Association (CSA)
The Christian Student Association organizes events such as Bible study sessions for interested students and promotes networking opportunities on campus.

Community Service Organization (CSO)
The objective of the Community Service Organization is to create a campuswide organization emphasizing collaborative community service work. The CSO will coordinate timing of projects between all professional schools’ respective organizations, offer service opportunities outside the medical realm, and support existing projects to facilitate collaboration among all professional programs at MCPHS. CSO offers a student-driven community service organization to complement the established service opportunities offered by the service learning and community outreach programs.

D.A.M.A.G.E. Club (Gaming)
This organization is known as “The Digital Arts, Media, and Gaming Element” (D.A.M.A.G.E.). The purpose of this organization is to enhance student life and provide stress relief by promoting the common leisurely interests of digital photography, graphic arts, video production, gaming, and movies in the MCPHS community.

Equestrian Club
The purpose of the MCPHS Equestrian Club is to promote an active network for horse enthusiasts while providing a learning environment focusing on equine care and management, and to provide facility contacts for students who are interested in taking riding lessons as well as coordination of off-campus events (e.g., barn visits, clinics, horse shows).

Gay Straight Alliance (GSA)
The Gay Straight Alliance fosters a community of openness, support, and appreciation of the identities of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer, and questioning (LGBTIQQ) individuals through targeted outreach and programming to both students and staff.

Indian Student Organization (ISO)
The Indian Student Organization exists to promote an understanding of Indian culture, history, and traditions. Promotion of these ideas is demonstrated through various regular programming and activities.

Industry Pharmacists Organization (IPhO)
Industry Pharmacists Organization is an organization on campus aimed at informing students about jobs and opportunities in industry for people with pharmacy degrees. IPhO educates students through discussions and networking events, and by inviting representatives from major companies to guest lecture on their roles in the company.

The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy Golfers Association (MCPGA)
The purpose of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy Golfers Association is to provide students with an opportunity to learn, play, and enjoy the sport of golf. One of the overarching goals of the MCPGA is to develop professional students who are multidimensional. The MCPGA seeks to fulfill this goal by exposing students to the sport of golf, which promotes physical activity, stress relief, and enjoyment of nature. This is a sport that can be played during any phase of life and is particularly enjoyable and valuable for a student facing the rigors of the MCPHS accelerated PharmD program.

MCPHS Dance Troupe
The MCPHS Dance Troupe aims to provide a creative outlet where those who love to dance on the MCPHS–Worcester campus can explore and develop their skills, to create an environment where stress relief is sought through rhythm and movement, to establish a group dynamic that encourages and motivates its members to stay mentally healthy and physically fit, and to enhance the extracurricular opportunities available to MCPHS students as a means of building well-rounded students.

The Middle Eastern and Mediterranean Student Organization (MEMSO)
The purpose of the Middle Eastern and Mediterranean Student Organization (MEMSO) is to bring together individuals from various Middle Eastern and Mediterranean backgrounds, regardless of religion, nationality, ethnicity, or gender, in order to provide an opportunity for sharing and learning about their cultures and traditions. The organization will strive to promote the Middle Eastern and Mediterranean cultures through frequent social events, activities, and community outreach programs. In addition, the organization shall
have no affiliation with any government or religious organizations. Membership will be revoked if a member is found to impose any discriminatory political views or promote any type of religious or racial discrimination.

**National Community Pharmacist Association Student Chapter (NCPA)**
The National Community Pharmacist Association Student Chapter represents independent community pharmacies and independent pharmacists in the United States. NCPA is committed to helping pharmacy students by providing contact with pharmacy owners ready for a transfer of ownership, information about financing options, and assistance in developing niche markets in patient care services.

**National Student Nurses Association (NSNA)**
This chapter of the National Student Nurses Association aims to promote the development of skills that students will need as responsible and accountable nursing professionals. The association helps develop students who are prepared to lead in the nursing profession in the future.

**Nursing Students Without Borders (NSWB)**
NSWB provides students the opportunity to assist underserved communities through health education. Access to healthcare resources and distribution of material donations, both nationally and internationally, are major activities of the organization.

**Outdoors Club**
The Outdoors Club allows the student body to enjoy the wonders of the outdoors and promotes fun and relaxation in outdoor activities.

**Phi Lambda Sigma**
The purpose of Phi Lambda Sigma, also known as the National Pharmacy Leadership Society, is to promote the development of leadership qualities, especially among pharmacy students. By peer recognition, the society encourages participation in all pharmacy activities.

**Racquetball Club**
The purpose of the Racquetball Club is to promote health through activity, teamwork, and networking. The overall function of the Racquetball Club is to provide valuable activities among professionals in an educational and community environment.

**Republican Pharmacy Student Association**
The purpose of the organization is to examine public policy issues relating to health services and pharmacy through a variety of workshops, speakers, and events. The organization is committed to creating an open dialogue focusing on social and policy issues.

**Rho Chi Honor Society**
Rho Chi is the national academic honor society in pharmacy. The Rho Chi Honor Society encourages and recognizes excellence in intellectual achievement and advocates critical inquiry in all aspects of pharmacy. The society further encourages high standards of conduct and character, and fosters fellowship among its members. The fundamental objective of Rho Chi is to promote the advancement of the pharmaceutical sciences through the encouragement and recognition of scholarship.

**Running Club**
The intention of the club is to provide a nonacademic means of bringing together students, faculty, and staff with the common interest of running as an exercise for physical fitness.

**Ski Club**
The purpose of the Ski Club is to promote winter activities that include sports like skiing and snowboarding.

**The Sports Club**
The Sports Club was established to provide MCPHS–Worcester students with the opportunity to participate in structured team sports by participating in various Worcester recreational leagues, including indoor soccer, coed softball, and basketball.

**Student Chapter of the American Academy of Optometry (SAAO)**
The purpose of this organization is to serve as an extension of The American Academy of Optometry to the students at MCPHS–SO. We will strive to uphold the mission and values of The American Academy of Optometry by promoting the art and science of vision care through lifelong learning.

**Student Chapter of the American Academy of Physician Assistants (SAAPA)**
The SAAPA chapter was established as a student society within the American Academy of Physician Assistants and retains student representation within this professional association’s House of Delegates. Educational mentoring, community outreach, and professional development are the society’s intended goals. Student professional development is accomplished through a seminar series on practice-related issues and through mentoring experiences involving practicing physician assistants in Worcester and surrounding communities.

**Student Doctors of Physical Therapy (SDPT)**
The SDPT was organized to educate students and the public about the profession of physical therapy, to give back to our community,
and to provide a platform for Doctorate of Physical Therapy students to enhance their educational opportunities through mentoring, community outreach, service, and professional development.

**Student National Pharmaceutical Association (SNPhA)**

SNPhA is a pharmacy student educational service association devoted to pharmacy- and healthcare–related issues accompanied by a commitment to addressing underrepresented groups in the pharmacy profession and other health-related fields.

**Tennis Club**

The purpose of the Tennis Club is to promote health, relaxation, teamwork, networking, and valuable activities among professionals in an educational and community environment.

**Veterans in Healthcare (VH)**

It is the mission of the Veterans in Healthcare (VH) of MCPHS–Worcester to provide a common forum for veterans and those interested in veterans' affairs within the student population and to provide outreach to various local and national veterans’ organizations.

**Worcester Student Society of Health-System Pharmacy (ASHP)**

The mission of the MCPHS–Worcester student society is to make students aware of pharmacy practice in health systems, provide information to students about career directions in and credentials needed for pharmacy practice in health systems, and encourage membership and participation in the state society and American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) as a student and upon graduation.

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**American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP)**

The membership of ACCP is diverse and composed of practitioners, scientists, educators, residents, fellows, and others committed to excellence in clinical pharmacy and patient pharmacotherapy.

**American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP)**

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**Association of Pharmacists in Industry (API)**

The Association of Pharmacists in Industry shares information on the many research and employment opportunities for students interested in pursuing a future in industry.

**Campus Activities Board (CAB)**

The Campus Activities Board is a club that serves the MCPHS community by providing a calendar of social events for students. The group is funded by the SGA and implements an interest survey periodically to make desired events available. Membership is open to any student.

**Christian Student Organization**

The Christian Student Organization offers friendship and fellowship to all. The group promotes the understanding of Christianity through networking, fellowship, and Bible study.

**Golf Club**

This recreational club exists to provide an outlet for those interested in golf. All levels of skill are invited to join and discounted greens fees are available.

**Manchester Student Society of Health-System Pharmacy (ASHP)**

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*Nursing Students Without Borders (NSWB)*
NSWB provides students the opportunity to serve underserved communities through health education. It helps in creating networks to access healthcare resources and to distribute material donations, both nationally and internationally. Annually, NSWB visits Belize to assist in the provision of health services.

*Outing Club*
This club promotes getting outside and staying active! Membership is open to anyone, and activities include day hikes, whitewater rafting, day skiing, and a day at the driving range.

*Phi Lambda Sigma*
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*Student Pharmacists Against Prescription Drug Abuse (SPARxDA)*
SPARxDA is a student organization that provides information and activities aimed at raising the awareness of prescription drug abuse and the associated dangers. The club provides information on campus and at many local middle schools and after-school programs.
Admission

General Admission Policies

General MCPHS University admission policies and application procedures that apply to all applicants are stated below.

• An application for admission must be complete in order to be evaluated. An application is considered complete when the Admission Office has received the completed admission application, all required credentials, and the nonrefundable application fee (if applicable).
• Only current official credentials are accepted.
• All credentials must be sent directly from the issuing agency to the Admission Office at the campus where the program to which the applicant is applying is offered. Transfer applicants to the Doctor of Pharmacy program, or applicants to the Master of Physician Assistant Studies program, Doctor of Physical Therapy program, and Doctor of Optometry program, should send official transcripts directly to the Pharmacy College Application Service (PharmCAS), Central Application Service for Physician Assistants (CASPA), Physical Therapist Centralized Application Service (PTCAS), or Optometry Centralized Application Service (OptomCAS), respectively.
• Applicants may apply to only one MCPHS campus and/or program per academic year.
• A new application, complete with updated credentials, must be submitted each time a candidate re applies for admission to the University.
• Preference is given to candidates whose application files are complete and received by the priority deadline. However, applications will continue to be reviewed until all available spaces are filled.
• Interviews are required for transfer applicants applying to the third year of the Doctor of Pharmacy program (Boston) who have met or plan to complete all required preprofessional courses prior to matriculation, the Physician Assistant Studies program (Boston, Manchester, and Worcester), the accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy program (Worcester and Manchester), the Doctor of Optometry program (Worcester), and the Doctor of Physical Therapy program (Worcester). These interviews are by invitation only. Candidates who are invited are contacted by email or postal mail directly by the Admission Office.
• Upon notification of acceptance, all students are required to pay an enrollment deposit to secure a place in the entering class. Deposit refunds vary by campus and program prior to May 1. The deposit must be in U.S. dollars, in the form of a money order or check drawn on a U.S. bank and made payable to MCPHS. The University also accepts credit payments by Visa, Discover, or MasterCard. MCPHS does not accept cash. The deposit must be received by the specified deadline and is credited in full to the tuition cost of the first term of enrollment. Deposit amounts and deadlines vary according to campus and program, and are specified in the letter of acceptance.

Tests and Testing Agencies

| FOR | SAT, AP, CLEP, TOEFL, and GRE |
| CONTACT | Educational Testing Service, Princeton, NJ 08541 Tel.: 609.921.9000 www.ets.org MCPHS code number for all ETS tests is 3512. |

| FOR | ACT |
| CONTACT | ACT National Office, P.O. Box 168, Iowa City, IA 52243-0168 Tel.: 319.337.1000 / Fax: 319.339.3021 www.act.org MCPHS code number for ACT tests is 1860. |

| FOR | IELTS |
| CONTACT | IELTS Administrator, 777 Dedham St., Newton, MA 02459 www.ielts.org |
Priority Dates and Campus Mailing Addresses
MCPHS establishes priority dates for all academic programs. If space permits, the University continues to accept and review applications beyond the dates listed.

Boston Campus
MCPHS University
Admission Office
179 Longwood Avenue
Boston, MA 02115
Tel.: 617.732.2850 / 800.225.5506 / Fax: 617.732.2118
Freshman Admission Priority Dates
   Early Action—November 15
   Regular admission—February 1
Undergraduate Transfer Admission Priority Date
   All programs—February 1
Postbaccalaureate Programs Priority Dates
   Bachelor of Science (postbaccalaureate) in Dental Hygiene—February 1
   Bachelor of Science (postbaccalaureate) in Diagnostic Medical Sonography—February 1
   Bachelor of Science (postbaccalaureate) in Magnetic Resonance Imaging—November 1
   Bachelor of Science (postbaccalaureate) in Nuclear Medicine Technology—February 1
   Bachelor of Science (postbaccalaureate) in Radiation Therapy—February 1
   Bachelor of Science (postbaccalaureate) in Radiography—February 1
Advanced Medical Imaging Certificate Programs Priority Dates
   Computed Tomography (CT)—February 1
   Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)—February 1
Certificate in Advanced Pharmacy Practice Studies (CAPPS)—Rolling
Graduate Admission Priority Dates
   Master of Clinical Research—February 1
   Master of Physician Assistant Studies—November 1
   Master of Science / PhD in Medicinal Chemistry—February 1
   Master of Science / PhD in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy—February 1 and November 1
   Master of Science / PhD in Pharmaceutics—February 1
   Master of Science / PhD in Pharmacology—February 1
   Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy—February 1 and November 1
   Graduate Certificate in Health Policy—February 1
   Graduate Certificate in Regulatory Affairs—February 1 and November 1
English Language Academy
   Full-time language instruction—Rolling
   Bridge program—February 1 and November 1

Worcester Campus
MCPHS University
Admission Office
19 Foster Street
Worcester, MA 01608
Tel.: 508.373.5607 / Fax: 508.890.7987
   Accelerated PharmD program—February 1
   Doctor of Optometry—June 1
   Doctor of Physical Therapy—February 1
   Master of Physician Assistant Studies—August 1
   Master of Science in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner)—Rolling
Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene—February 1
Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography—February 1
Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Nursing—October 1 (spring entry) and June 1 (fall entry)

English Language Academy
  Full-time language instruction—Rolling

**Manchester Campus**
MCPHS University
Admission Office
1260 Elm Street
Manchester, NH 03101-1305
Tel.: 603.314.1701 / Fax: 603.314.0213
  Accelerated PharmD program—February 1
  Master of Physician Assistant Studies—August 1
  Master of Science in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner)—Rolling

Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Nursing—October 1 and June 1

**MCPHS Online Campus**
MCPHS University
MCPHS University Online Admission Office
179 Longwood Avenue
Boston, MA 02115
Tel.: 617.879.5022 / Fax: 617.732.2118
  AD to Master of Science in Dental Hygiene Bridge—June 1
  ADN to Master of Science in Nursing Bridge (Family Nurse Practitioner Track)—February 1
  ADN to Master of Science in Nursing Bridge (MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses)—February 1
  BS in Dental Hygiene Degree Completion—June 1
  BS in Diagnostic Medical Sonography Degree Completion (Echo)—November 15 and June 1
  BS in Diagnostic Medical Sonography Degree Completion (General)—November 15 and June 1
  BS in Diagnostic Medical Sonography Degree Completion (Vascular)—November 15 and June 1
  BS in Health Sciences Degree Completion—November 15 and June 1
  Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway—June 1
  Advanced Certificate in Magnetic Resonance Imaging—February 1
  Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner Track)—February 1
  Graduate Certificate in Health Policy—November 15 and June 1
  Graduate Certificate in Medication Safety—November 15 and June 1
  Graduate Certificate in Regulatory Affairs—November 15 and June 1
  Master of Health Care Administration—November 15 and June 1
  Master of Health Sciences—November 15 and June 1
  Master of Patient Safety—November 15 and June 1
  Master of Public Health—November 15 and June 1
  Master of Science in Dental Hygiene—June 1
  Master of Science in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner Track)—February 1
  Master of Science in Nursing (MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses)—February 1
  Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy—November 15 and June 1
  Doctor of Health Sciences—November 15 and June 1

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**Freshmen Admission (Boston)**

**Requirements**
An applicant’s secondary school program of study must include at least 16 units of coursework in the following subject areas:
• 4 units of English
• 3 units of mathematics (algebra I and II; geometry)
• 2 units of social sciences (including 1 in history)
• 2 units of laboratory science (1 each in biology and chemistry)
• 5 units of additional college preparatory courses

Eligible applicants for first-year admission cannot have completed more than 11 credits at another college or university.

Early Action
Candidates with solid academic records who have decided that MCPHS is a “top choice” college are encouraged to apply for Early Action. Applicants must submit the application and all required materials by November 15. The Admission Office makes decisions on Early Action applications by January 1. Early Action is open to prospective first-year students only. Accepted students have until May 1 to respond to the University's offer of admission.

Application
An application for first-year admission is reviewed when the file is complete. To be considered complete, the applicant’s file must contain all of the following:

• Completed Common Application (can be completed online at www.commonapp.org) and MCPHS supplement
• Official high school transcript(s) from all secondary schools attended, including most recent grades (seniors must include a list of senior courses), or official GED test scores
• High school profile (obtainable through the guidance department)
• Official transcripts from colleges or universities attended, if applicable
• Official reports of standardized test scores: SAT I or ACT; TOEFL or IELTS, if applicable
• Two letters of recommendation (one from a mathematics or science teacher and one from a guidance counselor)
• One written essay (500 words, describing the candidate’s basis for interest in MCPHS and the selected program of study)

Transcripts
Transcripts must clearly indicate all credits and grades received and indicate coursework currently in progress. All transcripts must be official and presented in a sealed envelope with the institution’s stamp or a college/university official’s signature across the closure. Photocopies and hand-carried documents not in a sealed, stamped envelope are not accepted.

All deposited students are expected to submit a final high school transcript by July 15 of the year of entry. The diploma awarded and the date of the award must be clearly indicated on the final transcript.

Standardized Tests
First-year applicants are required to submit official reports of standardized test scores as follows:

• Applicants for first-year admission are required to submit official test scores from either the SAT I or ACT. Only the highest SAT or ACT scores will be considered as part of the final admission decision. MCPHS requires students to submit all scores from all exams taken. Each time a new score is submitted, the applicant’s record will be updated with the new high scores.
• Candidates for whom English is not the primary spoken language are required to take the TOEFL or IELTS. This test requirement may be waived on an individual basis for applicants who have attended all four years of high school in the United States (exclusive of ESL courses) and who have scored 450 or higher on the Critical Reading section of the SAT. (Please refer to the International Applicants section.)

Official score reports must be sent directly to the Admission Office from the testing agency.

Advanced Course Credit
Freshmen may be awarded a limited amount of MCPHS course equivalency credit in transfer for Advanced Placement (AP) courses, International Baccalaureate (IB) courses, and/or college coursework taken during high school. Specific policies that govern MCPHS transfer credit equivalency are explained in detail in the Transfer Admission section of this catalog.

Delayed Enrollment for Accepted Students
Students who are accepted for first-year admission may request approval of delayed enrollment (deferral) for one full academic year. To do so, they must

• submit a written request to the Admission Office and
• promise, in writing, that they will not attend any other college or university during the deferral period.

MCPHS reserves the right to deny requests for deferral. If a request for deferral is approved, the candidate must pay a $500 nonrefundable enrollment deposit. This deposit will reserve a place in the class starting in the fall of the following academic year. If the student enrolls at that time, the deposit will be credited in full toward the first-semester tuition.
Students are canceled from the accepted applicant pool if

- they are denied deferral and choose not to enroll at the University in the fall for which they were admitted or
- they defer but do not enroll in the fall of the academic year following the deferral period.

Students who are canceled from the accepted applicant pool must forfeit the $500 enrollment deposit and their accepted student status.

Institutional Agreements
MCPHS has agreements with academic institutions that offer a seamless pathway of study from the premedical and health studies or medical and molecular biology major to a variety of graduate and professional degree programs (see details throughout the catalog or at www.mcphs.edu). The University also has an agreement for Health Psychology students and Pharmaceutical and Health Care Business students who plan to seek a master’s degree.

Prospective first-year students should speak with an admission counselor at the University about prerequisites for admission into the Premedical and Health Studies, Medical and Molecular Biology, Pharmaceutical and Health Care Business, or Health Psychology majors for these programs.

Transfer Admission (Boston)

NOTE: All candidates must refer to the General Admission Policies section for additional information, including interviews, mailing address, and deadlines.

Candidates for transfer admission for BS degree programs have completed an equivalent of one or more semesters (a minimum of 12 semester hours) of college- or university-level courses and are applying for admission to one of the MCPHS undergraduate (e.g., BS in Dental Hygiene), certificate, or first professional degree (e.g., PharmD) programs. This includes applicants to these programs who have one or more earned degree(s).

Requirements
Candidates for transfer admission to BS programs must have a cumulative academic grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale attained at a regionally accredited college or university. Candidates for transfer admission to the PharmD program must have at least a 3.0 GPA or higher (on a 4.0 scale), attained at a regionally accredited college or university. Preference is given to candidates who demonstrate

- consistent academic performance in a full-time program with above-average grades in mathematics and science without having to withdraw or repeat courses, and
- an ability to articulate clearly, in a written essay, the reasons for their choice of program of study at MCPHS.

Application
An application for transfer admission is reviewed when the file is complete. To be considered complete, the transfer applicant’s file must contain all of the following:

- Completed application, which may be found online for all programs (except PharmD) at www.mcphs.edu
- Official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended
- Official high school transcript(s) or official GED test scores
- Official reports of standardized test scores, if applicable (see below)
- Two letters of recommendation (see below)
- A written essay (500 words, describing the candidate’s basis for interest in MCPHS and the selected program of study)

Students applying to the Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program must apply through PharmCAS (www.pharmcas.org). A supplemental application also must be completed, and may be found at www.mcphs.edu.

Transcripts must clearly indicate all credits and grades received and indicate coursework currently in progress. All transcripts must be official and presented in a sealed envelope with the institution’s stamp or a college/university official’s signature across the closure. Photocopies and hand-carried documents not in a sealed, stamped envelope are not accepted. Official transcripts reflecting prerequisite courses must be received in the Admission Office no later than the add/drop deadline of the term of entry. Students failing to submit these documents by this deadline will be dropped from all classes.

Standardized Tests
Applicants for transfer admission are required to submit official reports of standardized test scores as indicated below:

- Candidates who have completed fewer than 30 semester or 45 quarter hours of college or university credit are required to submit
official score reports of either the SAT I or the ACT.

- Candidates for whom English is not the primary spoken language are required to take the TOEFL or IELTS. This test requirement may be waived on an individual basis for applicants who have attended all four years of high school in the United States (exclusive of ESL courses) and have scored 450 or higher on the Critical Reading section of the SAT, or who have an earned degree (bachelor’s or higher) from a U.S. college or university (exclusive of ESL courses). (Please refer to the International Applicants section.)

- Official score reports must be sent directly to the Admission Office from the appropriate testing agency.

**Recommendations**

Candidates for transfer admission should submit two letters of recommendation. For candidates currently attending a college or university (full time or part time), at least one recommendation must be from a professor (preferably mathematics or science; a recommendation from an academic advisor may substitute). Candidates who are not enrolled in college or university courses may substitute work supervisors, although at least one faculty recommendation is preferred.

**Interview**

On-campus interviews are required for transfer applicants applying to the Doctor of Pharmacy program who intend to enter the first professional year (Year III). These interviews are by invitation only. Candidates who are invited are contacted directly by the Admission Office.

**Transfer of Credit**

Candidates who are accepted as transfer students may receive a limited number of course credits in transfer. Please refer to Residency Requirement in the section Academic Policies and Procedures. Transfer credit is not awarded for life experience or work experience. Transfer credit can be achieved through

- coursework taken prior to enrollment at other colleges and universities,
- successful passing of Advanced Placement (AP) and/or College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) examinations (see below), and
- successful passing of International Baccalaureate (IB) examinations.

Transfer credit for professional coursework is very limited and is awarded on a case-by-case basis through special petition to the dean of the school in which the program is offered. All petitions must be processed through the Admission Office and initiated by August 1 prior to fall enrollment or by January 1 if entering in the spring semester.

Policies that determine the amount of transfer credit awarded and that identify courses accepted in transfer vary among programs. Candidates interested in transfer credit should contact the Admission Office about their particular program of interest.

The Admission Office conducts a transfer credit evaluation on all transcripts in a candidate’s file during the application review process. Accepted students receive a written transfer credit evaluation in their acceptance package. Courses considered for transfer credit must meet the following requirements:

- Comparable in breadth and depth to those in the preprofessional phase of the specific program to which the candidate is applying. Comparability is determined by the Admission Office in collaboration with the Office of the Registrar, school deans, program directors, and faculty in related discipline(s).
- Successfully completed with a grade of C (2.0) or better at a regionally accredited college or university
- Completed within the last 10 years at the time of enrollment. This restriction is limited to courses in the area of mathematics and the natural, physical, and behavioral sciences.
- Submitted with an official transcript by the end of the student’s first add/drop period, held the first week of classes. Courses not submitted by that time will not be awarded transfer credit.

AP examination results are accepted for transfer credit for selected coursework. Students must achieve a score of 4 or better on an AP examination for transfer credit to be awarded. Credit in transfer for AP coursework is limited to 18 semester hours of credit, depending on the subject. No AP credit will be awarded for CHE 131 Chemical Principles I, CHE 132 Chemical Principles II, CHE 110 Basic Chemistry I, or CHE 210 Basic Chemistry II. No AP credit will be awarded to students in the Premedical and Health Studies program for BIO 151 Biology I or BIO 152 Biology II.

CLEP results are accepted as transfer credit for selected subject matter. Candidates must receive a score of 50 or better per subject to be awarded CLEP credit. Transfer is limited to 18 CLEP credits, and the examination(s) must be taken before the student’s first semester of enrollment at MCPHS. Those who achieve a score below 50 may not repeat the examination and must take the course. CLEP is an opportunity for students whose coursework is comparable but not otherwise transferable (e.g., exceeds the 10-year limit, earned grade is below C) and others who have not taken coursework but believe they have comparable knowledge.
IB courses will be accepted for transfer credit for selected coursework (limit of 18 credits). Students must achieve a score of 5 or better on an HL (high-level) IB exam. Transfer credits are limited to exams for English, language, and the arts.

AP and IB exceptions: Chemistry AP scores of 4 or better will be accepted as transfer credit for CHE 131 and CHE 132 for students who matriculate at MCPHS with existing college credit for organic chemistry. Transfer students accepted into the professional phase of an MCPHS degree program will receive transfer credit for IB courses accepted by a previous college. In both of these instances, official AP and/or IB exam documentation must be provided to MCPHS no later than the add/drop deadline of the term of entry.

Candidates who desire to receive credit based on AP and CLEP examinations must arrange for official test score results to be sent directly from Educational Testing Service (ETS) to the Admission Office in Boston. A complete list of the AP and CLEP examinations and the corresponding MCPHS courses for which transfer of credit is allowed is available upon request through the Admission Office.

Courses taken for college credit that count toward the high school degree will receive transfer credit only if the course was administered in a college setting. Courses taken in a high school that are taught by teachers who have been certified to offer college-level courses will not receive transfer credit. Transfer credit for college courses that fulfill requirements for a high school degree is at the discretion of the Dean of Arts and Sciences.

Petition for Additional Transfer Credit
The Admission Office will work with students during the admission process to evaluate transfer credit requests. After students matriculate, petitions for additional transfer credit must be submitted with required documentation to the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or Academic Support Services office (Worcester and Manchester) no later than the add/drop deadline of the term of entry.

Delayed Enrollment for Accepted Students
Deferred enrollment is available only to active-duty military. To request approval of delayed enrollment (deferral), students must submit a written request to the Admission Office and promise, in writing, that they will not attend any other college or university during the deferral period.

Postbaccalaureate and Graduate Admission (Boston)
NOTE: All candidates must refer to General Admission Policies for additional information including interviews, mailing address, and deadlines.

Applications are accepted for the following graduate and postbaccalaureate programs:

**Graduate Programs**
- Master of Clinical Research
- Master of Physician Assistant Studies
- Master of Science or Doctor of Philosophy in Medicinal Chemistry, Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy, Pharmaceutics, or Pharmacology
- Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy
- Graduate Certificate in Health Policy
- Graduate Certificate in Regulatory Affairs

**Postbaccalaureate Programs**
- Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene
- Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- Bachelor of Science in Magnetic Resonance Imaging
- Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology
- Bachelor of Science in Radiation Therapy
- Bachelor of Science in Radiography

**Advanced Imaging Certificates for Licensed Radiologic Technologists**
- Computed Tomography
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging

**Requirements**
NOTE: Additional program-specific requirements may be found in the individual program descriptions in this catalog.
Candidates for admission to all graduate or postbaccalaureate programs must have the following:
- An earned bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university
- An earned master’s degree in a related field for those applying to a PhD program within the Division of Graduate Studies
- An overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale) for graduate programs
• A TOEFL or IELTS for all candidates for whom English is not the primary spoken language. This test requirement may be waived on an individual basis for applicants who have attended all four years of high school in the United States (exclusive of ESL courses) or have an earned degree (bachelor’s or higher) from a U.S. college or university. (Please refer to the International Applicants section.)

Preference is given to those who

• have an overall GPA of 3.0 or better (on a 4.0 scale) with consistent performance of 3.0 or better in prerequisite courses and other subjects related to the major field of study;

• score at the 70th percentile or above in each section of the GRE (Graduate Record Examination, General Test); and

• have volunteer, research, or work experience related to the major field of study.

Application

An application for graduate or postbaccalaureate admission is reviewed when the file is complete. To be considered complete, the applicant’s file must contain all of the following:

• Completed application, which may be found online for all programs (except Physician Assistant Studies) at www.mcphs.edu

• Official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended, including those outside the United States

• Official reports of GRE and TOEFL scores, if applicable

• Two letters of recommendation from faculty or work/research supervisors, which solidly support the candidate’s ability to complete graduate-level work successfully in the chosen discipline

• A written personal statement or biographical sketch that demonstrates the candidate’s ability to clearly articulate career goals, the reasons for choosing the selected program of study at MCPHS, and insight into personal strengths and weaknesses

• A résumé of all professional work experience, additional professional and community service activities, and any continuing education courses completed within the past three years

• For the Advanced Certificate in Medical Imaging programs, a copy of the applicant’s current ARRT/NMTCB certificate and certification number, a copy of the Massachusetts Radiation Control Program radiologic technologist license, and a copy of their current CPR certification

Students applying to the Master of Physician Assistant Studies program must apply through CASPA (www.caspaonline.org). Candidates with international credentials must refer to the International Applicants section in this catalog. Candidates also must complete a supplemental application, which may be found at www.mcphs.edu.

Transcripts

Transcripts must clearly indicate all credits and grades received and indicate coursework currently in progress. Degree(s) or diploma(s) that have been received, dates awarded, and major courses of study must be clearly noted.

All transcripts must be official and presented in a sealed envelope with the institution’s stamp or a college/university official’s signature on the closure. Photocopies and hand-carried documents not in a sealed, stamped envelope are not accepted. Official transcripts must be received no later than the add/drop deadline of the term of entry.

Standardized Tests

GRE scores are required (regardless of graduation date from a college or university) for the following programs: Pharmaceutics, Pharmacology, and Medicinal Chemistry. GRE scores also are required for the Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy program if an applicant has graduated from college within the last five years.

Candidates for whom English is not the primary spoken language are required to take the TOEFL or IELTS. This test requirement may be waived on an individual basis for applicants who have attended all four years of high school in the United States (exclusive of ESL courses) and have scored 450 or higher on the Critical Reading section of the SAT, or who have an earned degree (bachelor’s or higher) from a U.S. college or university. (Please refer to the International Applicants section.)

Recommendations

Letters of recommendation must be sent from the recommender directly to the Admission Office in a sealed envelope with the recommender’s signature over the closure (except Master of Physician Assistant Studies). Personal copies, photocopies, or hand-delivered recommendations that are not in individual sealed, stamped/signed envelopes are not acceptable.

Graduate Transfer of Credit

Transfer credit for graduate-level coursework taken at other accredited institutions may be accepted for transfer toward a student’s degree requirements pending approval of the Graduate Council. Only courses that are clearly relevant to the student’s program of study and have
not been used to fulfill requirements for another degree may be considered for transfer credit. A maximum of 8 semester hours for MS and 12 semester hours for PhD programs may be transferred for coursework in which grades of B or higher have been attained. In some instances, transfer hours received in certain courses taken on a pass/fail basis may be approved by the Graduate Council. It is the responsibility of the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee to determine the student’s comprehension of the material before such hours are shown on the program of study for credit toward the degree. Research credit from another institution cannot be accepted for transfer credit. Coursework must have been completed not more than two years prior to the date of the request for transfer. Transfer credit for all MS coursework, including research credits, taken at MCPHS is acceptable for transfer toward a student’s PhD degree requirements, provided that the coursework is clearly relevant to the student’s program of study.

**Graduate Student Status**

At the time of acceptance, each student is classified as regular, provisional, or nonmatriculating.

**Regular Status**

Candidates who have met all requirements for admission to a graduate degree program are admitted as regular students. The transcript must show sufficient and satisfactory undergraduate preparation in the major field, a minimum GRE score, and a TOEFL or IELTS score. (Please refer to the International Applicants section.)

Candidates who are accepted to the MS track of graduate studies in the pharmaceutical sciences and desire consideration for acceptance to the PhD track may do so after successful completion of one full year in the master’s degree track at MCPHS. A candidate must submit a letter of petition to the Associate Dean of Graduate Studies carefully outlining his or her career goals and reasons for consideration. Additional documentation may be requested at the discretion of the Associate Dean or the Graduate Advisory Committee. Candidates will be notified of the decision by the Associate Dean. Those who are not approved will continue in the master’s degree track contingent upon satisfactory performance.

A graduate student is considered to have full-time status if he or she is

- registered for 9 or more graduate credits, or
- registered for 6 or more graduate credits while appointed as a graduate assistant for 15 to 20 hours per week, or
- registered for PSB 880 Research (at least 1 graduate credit), or
- registered for PSB 895 Graduate Student Extension (thesis/dissertation completion, no credit), or
- registered for DHY 895 Graduate Extension of Thesis.

**Provisional Status**

The University may, at its discretion, admit candidates into a graduate degree program on a trial basis as provisional students to ascertain their ability to do graduate work. Provisional students are those who have not met the minimum undergraduate grade point averages and/or GRE scores for admission. Provisional status also may be applied to students whose credentials do not meet specific program requirements. Provisional students must adhere to regulations established by the Graduate Council and be working toward a degree on a full-time basis.

In order to achieve regular status, the student must complete the equivalent of two academic semesters (at least 9 semester hours) of full-time work with an overall grade point average of 3.0. If the GRE was not taken by the student at the time of admission as a provisional student, the student must take the GRE during the first semester of provisional status.

At any time during the first year of matriculation following completion of the above criteria, a student may initiate an Approval for Change of Student Status in the Office of Graduate Studies. However, the student’s graduate advisor also may initiate the change and should do so when the student has met the required criteria, or may request the change of status before the student has completed 9 semester credits. The change from provisional to regular status must be approved by the Assistant Dean of Graduate Studies. No student may remain on provisional status for more than two consecutive semesters. If a student admitted to provisional status fails to meet the conditions stated in the letter of admission, the student may be dismissed from the program.

**Admission (Worcester and Manchester)**

Applications are accepted for the following programs:

- Accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)
- Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)
- Master of Science in Nursing—Family Nurse Practitioner Track (MSN)
- Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene (BS)
- Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (BS)
- Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)
- Doctor of Optometry (OD)
- Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)
Requirements

• Candidates for admission for the accelerated PharmD program who do not have a previously earned BS or BA degree must have completed or will complete an equivalent of 66 semester hours of preprofessional coursework at the college or university level prior to entry in the program. Applicants who have a previously earned BS or BA degree from a U.S.-accredited institution must have completed or will complete the equivalent of 39 semester hours of math and science coursework at the college or university level prior to entry in the program. Candidates for transfer admission to the PharmD program also must have a cumulative academic grade point average of at least 2.7 or higher on a 4.0 scale attained at a regionally accredited college or university.

• Candidates to the MPAS, BSN, and DPT programs must have completed a bachelor’s degree and prerequisite courses.

• Candidates for admission to the MPAS program must have a cumulative and science academic grade point average of at least 2.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale and a prerequisite course grade point average of at least 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale attained at a regionally accredited college or university.

• Candidates for admission to the accelerated BSN program must have a cumulative academic grade point average of at least 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale attained at a regionally accredited college or university.

• Candidates for admission to the OD program should have a minimum overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0, minimum grades of C in all prerequisite courses, two letters of recommendation (one professional and one academic preferred), a résumé, a personal statement, and evidence of familiarity with optometry (e.g., proof of shadowing a practitioner or volunteer work in optometric offices).

• Candidates for admission to the DPT program must have minimum overall and prerequisite GPAs of 3.0, minimum grades of B– in all prerequisite courses, two letters of recommendation (one professional and one academic preferred), a résumé, GRE (Graduate Record Examination, General Test) scores, a personal statement, and a minimum of 10 hours of physical therapy exposure/experience in a clinical setting.

Preference is given to candidates who demonstrate

• scores in the 70th percentile or above in each section of the GRE (see Standardized Tests for a list of programs that require the GRE);

• minimum OAT (Optometry Admission Test) score of 300 (see Standardized Tests for a list of programs that require the OAT);

• consistent academic performance in a full-time program with above-average grades in mathematics and sciences without having to withdraw or repeat courses; and

• an ability to articulate clearly, in a written essay, the reasons for their choice of program study at MCPHS.

Application

An application for admission to the Worcester/Manchester MPAS or PharmD program or Worcester OD and DPT program is reviewed when the file is complete. To be considered complete, the applicant’s file must contain a completed Pharmacy College Application Service (PharmCAS), Central Application Service for Physician Assistants (CASPA), Physical Therapist Centralized Application Service (PTCAS), or Optometry Centralized Application Service (OptomCAS) application including the following documents, which must be submitted directly to PharmCAS (www.pharmcas.org), CASPA (www.caspaonline.org), PTCAS (www.ptcas.org), or OptomCAS (www.optomcas.org), respectively:

• Official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended
• Two letters of recommendation (see below)
• A written essay

Additionally, the following documents must be submitted directly to the Admission Office on the campus to which the applicant is applying:

• Official high school transcript(s) or official GED test scores for applicants without a bachelor’s degree
• Official reports of standardized test scores, if applicable (see below)

An application for admission to the BSN, Postbaccalaureate Dental Hygiene, Postbaccalaureate Diagnostic Medical Sonography, or MSN program is reviewed when the file is complete. To be considered complete, the applicant’s file must contain all of the following items:

• Completed application that may be found online at www.mcphs.edu
• Official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended
• Official reports of standardized test scores, if applicable (see below)
• Two letters of recommendation (see below)
• Written essay (500 words, describing the candidate’s basis for interest in MCPHS and the selected program of study)
• Résumé
Transcripts
Official transcripts reflecting all prerequisite courses must be received in the Admission Office no later than the add/drop deadline of the term of entry. Students failing to submit these documents by this deadline will be dropped from all classes. Transcripts must clearly indicate all credits and grades received. All transcripts must be official and presented in a sealed envelope with the institution’s stamp or a college/university’s official signature across the closure. Photocopies and hand-carried documents not in a sealed, stamped envelope are not accepted.

Standardized Tests
Applicants for admission are required to submit official reports of standardized test scores as indicated below:

- Candidates for whom English is not the primary spoken language are required to take the TOEFL or IELTS. This test requirement may be waived on an individual basis for applicants who have attended all four years of high school in the United States (exclusive of ESL courses) or who have an earned degree (bachelor’s or higher) from a U.S. college or university (exclusive of ESL courses).
- Candidates who have completed Advanced Placement (AP) and/or College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) examinations are required to submit official score reports (refer to the Prerequisite Course Credit section for additional information).
- Candidates applying for the Physical Therapy program (Worcester) are required to submit official GRE scores.
- Candidates applying to the Optometry program (Worcester) are required to submit official Optometry Admission Test (OAT) scores.
- Official score reports must be sent directly to the Admission Office from the appropriate testing agency.

Recommendations
Candidates for Worcester/Manchester admission should submit two letters of recommendation. Preferably one letter of recommendation should be from a mathematics or science professor and one letter of recommendation from a work supervisor or academic advisor. Letters of recommendation for the Doctor of Optometry, Doctor of Pharmacy, Doctor of Physical Therapy, or Master of Physician Assistant Studies program should be submitted through OptomCAS, PharmCAS, PTCAS, or CASPA, respectively. Letters of recommendation for all other programs must be sent from the recommender directly to the Admission Office in a sealed envelope with the recommender’s signature over the closure. Personal copies, photocopies, or hand-delivered recommendations that are not in individual sealed, stamped/signed envelopes are not acceptable.

Interview
Interviews are required for applicants applying to the Doctor of Pharmacy, Master of Physician Assistant Studies, and Doctor of Physical Therapy programs. These interviews are by invitation only. Candidates who are invited are contacted directly by the Admission Office. Although interviews may not be required of candidates applying to other programs, all candidates are encouraged to attend one of several on-campus information sessions, meet with an admission counselor, and tour the University. To arrange an appointment or a tour, interested candidates should call the Manchester Admission Office at 603.314.1701 or the Worcester Admission Office at 508.373.5607.

Prerequisite Course Credit
Candidates who are accepted to the Worcester/Manchester accelerated BSN, Postbaccalaureate Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Postbaccalaureate Dental Hygiene, MSN, accelerated PharmD, Master of Physician Assistant Studies, Doctor of Optometry, or Doctor of Physical Therapy program must complete all prerequisite courses required of the program prior to matriculation. Prerequisite course credit is not awarded for life experience or work experience. Prerequisite course credit may be achieved through:

- coursework taken prior to enrollment at other regionally accredited colleges and universities;
- successful passing of AP and/or CLEP examinations (see below); and
- successful passing of International Baccalaureate (IB) examinations (see below).

NOTE: Transfer credit cannot be awarded for professional coursework.

The Admission Office conducts a prerequisite course evaluation on all transcripts in a candidate’s file during the application review process. Accepted students receive a written prerequisite course evaluation in their acceptance package. Courses considered for prerequisite course credit must meet the following requirements:

- Comparable in breadth and depth to the prerequisite courses required of the specific program to which the candidate is applying. Comparability is determined by the Admission Office in collaboration with the Office of the Registrar, school deans, program directors, and faculty in related discipline(s).
- Successfully completed with a grade of C (2.0) or better at a regionally accredited college or university
- Completed within the last 10 years at the time of enrollment. This restriction is limited to courses in the area of mathematics and the natural and physical sciences.
Submitted with an official transcript by the end of the student’s first add/drop period, held the first week of classes. Students failing to submit these documents by this deadline will be dropped from all classes.

AP examination results are accepted for prerequisite course credit for selected prerequisite coursework. Students must achieve a score of 4 or better on an AP examination for prerequisite credit to be awarded. Prerequisite credit for AP coursework is limited to 18 semester hours of credit, depending on the subject.

CLEP results are accepted in prerequisite credit for selected subject matter. Candidates must receive a score of 50 or better per subject to be awarded CLEP credit. Prerequisite course credit for CLEP examinations is limited to 18 semester hours of credit, depending on the subject. Those who receive scores below 50 may not repeat the examination and must take the course. CLEP is an opportunity for students whose coursework is comparable but not otherwise transferable (e.g., exceeds the 10-year limit, earned grade is below C) and others who have not taken coursework but believe they have comparable knowledge.

IB courses will be accepted for transfer credit for selected coursework (limit of 18 credits). Students must achieve a score of 5 or better on an HL (high-level) IB exam. Transfer credits are limited to exams for English, language, and the arts.

Candidates who desire to receive credit based on AP and CLEP examinations must arrange for official test score results to be sent directly from the College Board to the Admission Office in Worcester or Manchester. A complete list of the AP and CLEP examinations and corresponding MCPHS courses for which prerequisite credit is allowed is available upon request through the Admission Office.

Courses taken for college credit that count toward the high school degree will receive transfer credit only if the course was administered in a college setting. Courses taken in high school that are taught by teachers who have been certified to offer college-level courses will not receive prerequisite credit. Prerequisite credit for college courses that fulfill requirements for a high school degree is at the discretion of the Dean of Arts and Sciences.

Admission (MCPHS University Online)

Applications are accepted for the following programs:

**Graduate Programs**
- Doctor of Health Sciences (DHS)
- Master of Health Care Administration (MHA)
- Master of Health Sciences (MHS)
- Master of Public Health (MPH)
- Master of Patient Safety (MPS)
- Master of Science in Dental Hygiene (MSDH)
- Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) (Family Nurse Practitioner)
- Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) (with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses)
- Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy (MS)
- Graduate Certificate in Health Policy
- Graduate Certificate in Medication Safety
- Graduate Certificate in Oral Health Professions Education
- Graduate Certificate in Regulatory Affairs
- Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner Track)
- Certificate Programs
- Advanced Certificate in Magnetic Resonance Imaging

**Postbaccalaureate Programs**
- Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway (PharmD)

**Bridge Programs**
- ADN to Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) (Family Nurse Practitioner)
- ADN to Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) (MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses)
- AD to Master of Science in Dental Hygiene (MSDH)

**Degree Completion Programs**
- BS in Dental Hygiene
- BS in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Echo)
- BS in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (General)
- BS in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Vascular)
- BS in Health Sciences
Requirements
NOTE: Additional program-specific requirements may be found in the individual program descriptions in this catalog or online at http://online.mcphs.edu.

Candidates for admission to all online graduate and postbaccalaureate programs must have
• an earned bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university and
• a TOEFL or IELTS if English is not the candidate’s primary spoken language. This test requirement may be waived on an individual basis for applicants who have attended all four years of high school in the United States (exclusive of ESL courses) or who have an earned degree (bachelor’s or higher) from a U.S. college or university. (Please refer to the International Applicants section.)

Candidates for admission to all online bridge and bachelor’s degree-completion programs must have
• an earned associate degree from an accredited college or university and
• a TOEFL or IELTS if English is not the candidate’s primary spoken language. This test requirement may be waived on an individual basis for applicants who have attended all four years of high school in the United States (exclusive of ESL courses) or have an earned degree (bachelor’s or higher) from a U.S. college or university. (Please refer to the International Applicants section.)

Preference is given to those who
• have an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better (on a 4.0 scale) with consistent performance of 3.0 or better in prerequisite courses and other subjects related to the major field of study;
• score at the 70th percentile or above in each section of the GRE (Graduate Record Examination, General Test); and
• have volunteer, research, or work experience related to the major field of study.

Application
An application for online admission is reviewed when the file is complete. To be considered complete, the applicant’s file will likely require all or some of the following:
• Completed application, which may be found online for all programs (http://online.mcphs.edu/apply)
• Official reports of GRE and TOEFL scores, if applicable
• Letters of recommendation from faculty or work/research supervisors, which solidly support the candidate’s ability to complete coursework successfully in the chosen discipline
• Official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended, including those outside the United States
• A written personal statement / biographical sketch that demonstrates the ability to clearly articulate career goals, the reasons for choice of program of study at MCPHS, and insight into personal strengths and weaknesses
• A résumé of all professional work experience, additional professional and community service activities, and any continuing education courses completed within the past three years

The following are requirements for specific program applicants:
• Copy of a valid U.S. pharmacy license is required for Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway program applicants.
• Applicants to the AD to Master of Science in Dental Hygiene Bridge program must provide a copy of current license and proof of successful completion of the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination.
• Candidates to the ADN to Master of Science in Nursing Bridge program must have an earned AD from a state-approved program, 42 approved credits in Arts and Sciences prerequisite courses, a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) in prelicensure nursing courses, and an RN license to practice nursing (or eligibility). A copy of the license must be provided.
• Candidates to the MSN programs must have an earned BSN (bachelor of science in nursing) from an accredited college or university and RN license eligibility. MSN candidates for admission also must have a cumulative academic grade point average of at least a 2.7 or better on a 4.0 scale or GRE scores of 1100 total (verbal and quantitative) and 3.5 in analytical writing. A copy of the license must be provided.
• Candidates for transfer admission into the BS in Health Sciences Degree Completion program must have a cumulative academic grade point average of at least 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale. Candidates also must hold an associate degree or certificate in a health sciences field and be currently employed in an area of healthcare.

For the most up-to-date admission requirements, visit http://online.mcphs.edu.

Transcripts
Transcripts must clearly indicate all credits and grades received and indicate coursework currently in progress. Degree(s) or diploma(s) that have been received, dates awarded, and major courses of study must be clearly noted.

All transcripts must be official and presented in a sealed envelope with the institution’s stamp or a college/university official’s signature on the closure. Photocopies and hand-carried documents not in a sealed, stamped envelope are not accepted. Official transcripts must be received no later than the add/drop deadline of the term of entry.
Standardized Tests
GRE scores are required for the Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy, Master of Public Health, Master of Patient Safety, Master of Health Care Administration, and Master of Health Sciences programs if an applicant has graduated from college within the last five years.

Candidates for whom English is not the primary spoken language are required to take the TOEFL or IELTS. This test requirement may be waived on an individual basis for applicants who have attended all four years of high school in the United States (exclusive of ESL courses) and have scored 450 or higher on the Critical Reading section of the SAT, or who have an earned degree (bachelor’s or higher) from a U.S. college or university. (Please refer to the International Applicants section.)

Recommendations
Letters of recommendation must be sent from the recommender directly to the Admission Office in a sealed envelope with the recommender’s signature over the closure. Personal copies, photocopies, or hand-delivered recommendations that are not in individual sealed, stamped/signed envelopes are not acceptable.

Graduate Transfer of Credit
Transfer credit for graduate-level coursework taken at other accredited institutions may be accepted for transfer toward a student’s degree requirements pending approval of the Graduate Council. Only courses that are clearly relevant to the student’s program of study and have not been used to fulfill requirements for another degree may be considered for transfer credit. A maximum of 9 semester hours for MS programs may be transferred for coursework in which grades of B or higher have been attained. In some instances, transfer hours received in certain courses taken on a pass/fail basis may be approved by the Graduate Council. It is the responsibility of the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee to determine the student’s comprehension of the material before such hours are shown on the program of study for credit toward the degree. Research credit from another institution cannot be accepted for transfer credit. Coursework must have been completed not more than two years prior to the date of the request for transfer.

Graduate Student Status
At the time of acceptance, each student is classified as regular, provisional, or nonmatriculating.

Regular Status
Candidates who have met all requirements for admission to a graduate degree program are admitted as regular students. The transcript must show sufficient and satisfactory undergraduate preparation in the major field, a minimum GRE score, and a TOEFL or IELTS score. (Please refer to the International Applicants section.)

A graduate student is considered to have full-time status if he or she is
• registered for 9 or more graduate credits, or
• registered for 6 or more graduate credits while appointed as a graduate assistant for 15 to 20 hours per week, or
• registered for PSB 880 Research (at least 1 graduate credit), or
• registered for PSB 895 Graduate Student Extension (Thesis/Dissertation completion, no credit), or
• registered for DHY 895 Graduate Extension of Thesis.

Provisional Status
The University may, at its discretion, admit candidates into a graduate degree program on a trial basis as provisional students to ascertain their ability to do graduate work. Provisional students are those who have not met the minimum undergraduate grade point averages and/or GRE scores for admission. Provisional status also may be applied to students whose credentials do not meet specific program requirements. Provisional students must adhere to regulations established by the Graduate Council and be working toward a degree on a full-time basis.

In order to achieve regular status, the student must complete the equivalent of two academic semesters (at least 9 semester hours) of full-time work with an overall grade point average of 3.0. If the GRE was not taken by the student at the time of admission as a provisional student, the student must take the GRE during the first semester of provisional status.

At any time during the first year of matriculation following completion of the above criteria, a student may initiate an Approval for Change of Student Status in the Office of Graduate Studies. However, the student’s graduate advisor also may initiate the change and should do so when the student has met the required criteria, or may request the change of status before the student has completed 9 semester credits. The change from provisional to regular status must be approved by the Associate Dean of Graduate Studies. No student may remain on provisional status for more than two consecutive semesters. If a student admitted on provisional status fails to meet the conditions stated in the letter of admission, the student may be dismissed from the program.
Admission (English Language Academy)

Requirements
Candidates for the English Language Academy at MCPHS University must have earned their high school diploma in order to be eligible for admission.

Application
An application for the English Language Academy at MCPHS University is reviewed when the file is complete. To be considered complete, the applicant’s file must contain all of the following:

- Completed English Language Academy application (can be completed online at www.mcphs.edu/ela_application)
- Transcripts showing at least secondary school graduation
- For conditional admission or bridge level, completed academic program application (online) and any other documents required by the academic program (except TOEFL, IELTS, SAT, and ACT)

Transcripts
Official transcripts showing at least secondary school graduation must be received by the Admission Office. Transcripts must clearly indicate all credits and grades received. All transcripts must be official and presented in a sealed envelope with the institution’s stamp or a college/university official’s signature across the closure. Photocopies and hand-carried documents not in a sealed, stamped envelope are not accepted.

Standardized Tests
Bridge applicants are required to submit official reports of standardized test scores as follows:

- Candidates are required to take the TOEFL or IELTS (MCPHS University does not accept scores that are more than two years old).
- Alternatively, candidates may take the ACT Compass assessment test (on site at MCPHS–Boston). Scores on the test and the writing sample will determine the best placement in the program.

Official score reports must be sent directly to the Admission Office from the testing agency.

International Applicants
All applicants, including U.S. citizens and permanent residents, who have academic credentials from countries outside the United States are required to supply additional documents in order to be considered for admission.

Non-U.S. Transcripts
Candidates must submit official transcripts of coursework taken outside the United States to
World Education Services (WES)
Tel.: 212.966.6311
www.wes.org

A course-by-course evaluation is required. Photocopies of transcripts and test scores are not accepted. Official transcripts for courses taken outside the United States also must be submitted directly to the Admission Office in addition to the WES evaluation.

All official transcripts from U.S. institutions also must be submitted per the application requirements of the program to which a candidate is applying. Please see Admission (English Language Academy), Freshman Admission, Transfer Admission, and Postbaccalaureate and Graduate Admission for more information.

Official TOEFL or IELTS Test Scores
MCPHS requires all students whose first language is not English to submit official TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) or IELTS (International English Language Testing System) test scores. This requirement may be waived on an individual basis for applicants who have attended all four years of high school in the United States (exclusive of ESL courses) and achieved a minimum score of 450 on the Critical Reading section of the SAT.

- The minimum required TOEFL score for all MCPHS undergraduate programs is 79 for the Internet-based exam, 213 for the computer-based exam, or 550 for the paper-based exam.
- The minimum required TOEFL score for all MCPHS graduate programs is 90.
- The minimum required IELTS score is 6.5 for all undergraduate programs.
• MCPHS does not accept scores that are more than two years old.

TOEFL exam information may be found on the Internet at www.ets.org. IELTS exam information may be found at www.ielts.org.

**International Student Visa Information**

Most non-U.S. citizens require a Form I-20 and visa to study in the United States. (Canadian citizens do not need visas.) The Form I-20 is the first step in the visa process. A Form I-20 is a government document that informs the United States government that you are eligible for F-1 (Academic Student) status. It certifies that you are or expect to be a bona fide student, that you meet our admission requirements, that you will pursue a full course of study, and that you have the financial capability to study and live in the United States for the duration of your program. The Office of International Programs at MCPHS issues a Form I-20 to eligible students after they have been accepted to the University, have submitted their enrollment deposit, and have correctly filled out and submitted the Form I-20 application and supporting materials.

A Form I-20 cannot be issued to any international student studying at MCPHS University’s Online campus. Most Online campus programs are offered entirely in a virtual environment and therefore interested international candidates may complete programs (that do not require U.S. licensure or U.S. employment in the profession) from their current country of residence.

Your financial support may come from any combination of the following sources in the United States and abroad:

1. Sponsors (parent[s], relative[s], spouse, organization[s], government, etc.). Each of your sponsors is required to complete and sign an Affidavit of Support form. Sponsors also may provide you with support in the form of room and board. When you live with someone and do not have to pay for your room and food, you are considered to have free room and board.
2. Personal funds that come from your own resources, not those of a sponsor
3. Funds from MCPHS University, such as a scholarship, assistantship, or fellowship

As a reminder, F-1 status students are not permitted to work without authorization. Questions regarding the I-20 process should be directed to the Office of International Programs at 617.879.5905.
Tuition, Room & Board, Fees

2013–14 Academic Program Tuition

Tuition charges for each academic term will be determined using the following criteria:

• Boston students enrolled in 12 to 18 credits for fall and spring semesters will be charged the flat tuition rate for qualifying programs.

• Boston students enrolled in fewer than 12 credits for fall and spring semesters, including graduate students, will be charged at the rate of $1,020 per credit.

• All students enrolled in more than 18 credits for fall or spring semester will be charged $1,020 per credit in addition to the flat tuition charge.

• Students whose registrations are in excess of the cumulative 69-credit threshold in the Boston PharmD program will be charged at the professional rate.

• Boston students enrolled in summer sessions will be charged at the per-credit rate except for majors in the School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics, Dental Hygiene BS, and Nursing, which have a flat summer tuition rate for 9 or more credits.

• Worcester and Manchester students enrolled in 6 or more credits per semester will be charged the flat tuition rate except for postbaccalaureate/undergraduate students. Worcester/Manchester postbaccalaureate/undergraduate students enrolled in 12 to 18 credits will be charged the flat tuition rate for fall and spring semesters. For the summer semester, the flat tuition rate for postbaccalaureate/undergraduate programs is for 9 or more credits.

• Students enrolled in all graduate degree and certificate programs at MCPHS Online during the 2013–14 academic year will pay $850 per credit hour. Rates per credit hour for online undergraduate and professional programs are noted below. There are no fees for MCPHS Online students in the 2013–14 academic year.

MCPHS Online

Graduate Programs
Doctor of Health Sciences (DHS)
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Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy (MS)
Graduate Certificate in Health Policy
Graduate Certificate in Medication Safety
Graduate Certificate in Oral Health Professions Education
Graduate Certificate in Regulatory Affairs
Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner Track)

Postbaccalaureate Programs
Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway

Bridge Programs
AD to Master of Science in Dental Hygiene
ADN to Master of Science in Nursing (Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses and Family Nurse Practitioner)

Degree Completion Programs
BS in Health Sciences ($375/credit)
BS in Dental Hygiene ($650/credit)
BS in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (General, Echo, and Vascular) ($650/credit)
Advanced Certificate in MRI ($375/credit)
Other program-specific tuition policies are noted below.

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Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)

| Boston (entry-level program)            |                                   |                 |
| 0–69 credits                           | $27,600                           | $1,020          |
| 70+ credits (professional rate)        | $32,550                           | $1,020          |
| Clinical rotations (all charged per credit) | $1,020                          |                 |
| Postbaccalaureate                      | $1,020                           |                 |

| Worcester/Manchester three-year program | $44,280 (annual) | NA |
| Doctor of Optometry                    | $36,450 (annual) | NA |
| Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)       | $40,950 (annual) | NA |

Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)

| Boston                                 |                                   |                 |
| Didactic years                         | $32,550                           | $1,020          |
| Clinical rotations (all charged per credit) | $1,020                          |                 |

| Manchester/Worcester (Postbaccalaureate) | $40,950 (annual) | NA |

MS and PhD graduate programs

Certificate programs

| Advanced Medical Imaging                | $330                             | $1,020          |
| Health Policy                          |                                 | $1,020          |
| Regulatory Affairs                     |                                 | $1,020          |

| English Language Academy                | $6,000/semester                  |                 |

Nonmatriculating students

| Course audit fee                        | NA                              | $1,020          |

Course audit fee

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### Residence Hall Fees

- **Room reservation deposit fee** (nonrefundable but will be applied toward residence hall fees) $250

#### Room fee (Boston campus)

- **Fennell Building**
  - Academic-year contract $5,425/semester
  - Summer only $1,870/session
- **Tree House**
  - Double (academic-year contract) $5
  - Single (academic-year contract) $5,700/semester

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Double (academic-year contract) $5,575/semester
Single (academic-year contract) $5,950/semester
Double (summer only) $1,870/session
Single (summer only) $2,020/session

Room fee (Worcester campus)
Borysek Living and Learning Center, 12-month contract
  Studio $12,600
  Type A—2-person $12,600
  Type B—2-person $9,750
    3-person $11,400
    4-person $11,400
  Type A—6-person $7,750
  Type B—6-person $7,100

Lincoln Square
  Renovated—1-person $8,900
  Renovated—2-person $6,900
  Standard—1-person $7,500
  Standard—2-person $5,900

50 & 60 Salisbury Street
  Type A—1-bedroom single $13,500
  Type A—1-bedroom double $7,200
  Type B—2-bedroom—A single $12,000
  Type B—2-bedroom—A double $7,200
  Type B—1 bedroom—B single $11,400

27 Salisbury Street
  Type A $10,500
  Type B $10,200

Lancaster Street
  Single apartment $11,400

Main Street Microunits
  Single studio $12,600

Boston board fee
  Fennell Building (academic-year contract) $1,570/semester
  Matricaria Building (academic-year contract) $785/semester

Room damage deposit $200
This deposit is applied toward the student’s account and is refundable contingent upon inspection after the room has been vacated.

Residence hall dues (Boston and Worcester campuses—once per year) $115

Health Insurance
  Per year $2,127
According to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and MCPHS policy, all matriculated students (regardless of enrollment) must be covered by a health insurance program. The University makes available a general health insurance program that meets the required standards. This policy is provided by an independent carrier, beginning September 1 and continuing 12 months. Insurance brochures will be available online. Students will be automatically enrolled in this plan unless a waiver is completed and received by Student Financial Services prior to the first day of classes. Students registering late must submit the waiver at that time. The waiver stipulates that personal coverage will be maintained during the enrollment period. If Student Financial Services does not receive the waiver prior to the first day of classes, the student will be billed for the insurance premium and will remain responsible for payment of said premium. The waiver must be renewed annually.

All international students will be enrolled in the Blue Cross Blue Shield student health insurance plan automatically, with the exception of those international students whose sponsoring institutions have a signed agreement with MCPHS that complies with the University’s health insurance waiver requirements, or those international students with a plan for which the health insurance company’s primary home office is based in the United States and the policy provides coverage comparable to that of the University student health insurance plan. International students who do not fall under one of the two conditions above must purchase the University’s student health insurance plan.

**Criminal Background Information Fees**

Any out-of-pocket expenses for criminal or sex offender background checks that may be required by clinical rotation sites, including, without limitation, Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI), Sex Offender Registry Information (SORI) checks, or level 1 background checks, must be paid by the student.

**Credit Cards**

The University accepts MasterCard, Visa, Discover, and American Express through its online payment provider.

**Payment Schedule**

Tuition and applicable fees are due and payable on a semester basis, prior to the following deadlines:

- **Fall semester:** August 1, 2013
- **Spring semester:** December 15, 2013
- **Summer semester:** May 1, 2014

Students not adhering to these deadlines may be administratively withdrawn from the University.

For students with outstanding balances, the University reserves the right to refuse

- to release official transcripts,
- to release the diploma certifying graduation,
- to complete board examination certification, or
- to register the student for any additional coursework.

A late payment fee will be assessed for all outstanding balances immediately following the due date.

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If a student has more than two checks returned by the bank, he/she will be required to make all future payments by cash, money order, certified bank check, Discover, MasterCard, Visa, or American Express.

**Other Estimated Expenses**

In addition to the direct costs of tuition, fees, and room and board, students also should budget for indirect expenses, such as books and supplies, transportation expenses, and other miscellaneous expenses that will vary depending on personal spending habits and choices.

**Address Changes**

Address change forms are located outside the Office of the Registrar and Student Financial Services. Current students may change their address online using WebAdvisor. Student bills are mailed to the permanent address.
Add/Drop Period

The add/drop period deadline for all programs is specified for each academic term, usually within the first week of classes. During the add/drop period, tuition is fully refundable for a course withdrawal. Tuition accounts are adjusted automatically, and any additional charges must be paid at the time of the transaction. After the add/drop deadline, there will be no tuition refund for individual course withdrawal.

University Withdrawals and Refunds

The following graduated scale of charges for tuition and residence hall fees is used for purposes of determining refunds for students completely withdrawing from the University during the semester.

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Students who withdraw from the University must contact the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or Academic Support Services (Worcester and Manchester) at the time of withdrawal and complete an official form. Approved refunds are computed on the basis of the date appearing on the form. Absence from class without completing the form does not constitute withdrawal from the University.
Student Financial Services

Applying for Financial Aid

The Office of Student Financial Services at MCPHS is dedicated to providing comprehensive education financing counseling to students and their families. The staff is available to assist students by answering questions regarding the aid application process, their financial aid award, and their student account.

The University offers a variety of scholarships, loans, and employment opportunities to assist students in meeting the costs of education that cannot be met through the family’s own resources. To apply for financial aid for the 2013–14 academic year, the only application required is the 2013–14 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA may be completed online at www.fafsa.gov. Students who submitted a 2012–13 FAFSA should use their PIN (personal identification number) from the Department of Education to complete the online renewal application.

The Office of Student Financial Services will notify students if additional information or documentation is required to complete their financial aid applications. Students should not send additional documentation unless requested to do so by Student Financial Services.

Notification of awards: Award letters will be emailed to freshmen and new transfer students on a rolling basis once the student’s financial aid file is complete. Continuing students selected for verification will be notified of their award once all documentation has been received and the verification process is complete. A student must reapply for aid each year; however, aid packages may vary from one year to the next. The student’s demonstrated need is recalculated each year, and award amounts are contingent upon the University’s level of allocated funds.

Eligibility for Financial Aid

In order to be considered for financial aid, a student must be enrolled or accepted for admission as at least a half-time student at the University and must be eligible for federal financial aid.

To be eligible for federal student aid, the student must be

- a citizen, permanent resident, or eligible nonresident of the United States;
- registered with the Selective Service System or exempt from registration;
- not in default on any federal student loan or owing a refund on any federal grant;
- not convicted of any federal or state drug offense while receiving federal student aid; and
- in good academic standing.

By completing the application instructions previously outlined, students are automatically considered for all possible funding opportunities, including those offered by the federal government, the state (if eligible), and the University. Please keep in mind that students who meet the March 15 financial aid application deadline are given priority consideration for all available funds, which are limited by allocations and budgets.

Degree Standing

A student’s standing as an undergraduate or graduate student is an important factor in the financial aid application and award process. The FAFSA asks students to identify whether they are in an undergraduate or graduate/professional program. These questions should be answered based on the following criteria:

Undergraduate Students

Students in the following programs are considered undergraduate students for financial aid purposes:

- Chemistry
- Dental Hygiene
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- Health Psychology
- Health Sciences
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging
- Medical and Molecular Biology
- Nuclear Medicine Technology
- Nursing
- Pharmaceutical and Health Care Business
- Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Pharmacology/Toxicology
• PharmD–Boston campus: Years I–IV
• Premedical and Health Studies
• Public Health
• Radiation Therapy
• Radiography

Graduate Students
Students in the following programs are considered graduate/professional students for financial aid purposes:
• Master of Physician Assistant Studies (Boston and Manchester/Worcester)
• Master of Public Health
• Master of Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy
• PharmD–Boston campus: Years V and VI
• PharmD–Worcester/Manchester campuses: all years (unless advised by Student Financial Services)
• Doctor of Optometry
• Doctor of Physical Therapy
• Master of Science in Dental Hygiene
• Master of Science in Nursing
• Master of Science / PhD in Medicinal Chemistry
• Master of Science / PhD in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy
• Master of Science / PhD in Pharmaceutics
• Master of Science / PhD in Pharmacology
• Master of Science in Clinical Research

Students whose program is not listed here should contact the Office of the Registrar for assistance in identifying their degree standing.

Dependency Status
For the 2013–14 school year (July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014), the U.S. Department of Education considers the following students to be independent of their parent(s) for purposes of awarding federal financial aid:
• Students who were born before January 1, 1990
• Students who are orphans or wards of the court, or were wards of the court as of age 13
• Students who are veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces
• Students who have children, if they provide more than half of the support for the child
• Students who have dependents (other than a child or spouse) living with them, if they provide more than half of the support for the dependent
• Students who are married
• Students who will be graduate/professional students in 2013–14 (see Degree Standing to determine who is considered a graduate/professional student for financial aid purposes)
• Students who are serving on active duty in the armed forces for purposes other than training
• Students who are or were emancipated minors as determined by a court
• Students who are or were in a legal guardianship as determined by a court
• Students who are or were considered an unaccompanied youth who was homeless on or after July 1, 2012

As the criteria above indicate, financial independence is not one of the criteria used in determining whether a student is considered dependent or independent. Parental data must be provided on the FAFSA for students who are unable to answer "yes" to one of the listed criteria. The University uses the U.S. Department of Education definition of dependency status for all federal, state, institutional, and private financial aid programs. Students should refer to the FAFSA for specific details on each of the above criteria or contact the Office of Student Financial Services for assistance in determining status.

Prior Bachelor's Degree
Students who are in possession of a baccalaureate degree prior to their enrollment at the University are not eligible for certain grant programs, including the Federal Pell Grant, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, and state scholarship/grant programs.

Massachusetts Residency
Massachusetts residency is defined as having resided in Massachusetts for purposes other than attending college for at least one year prior to the beginning of the academic year. The beginning of the academic year is defined as July 1 by the Commonwealth. Parents of dependent students also must have resided in Massachusetts for at least one year prior to the beginning of the academic year. Programs funded by the Commonwealth are limited to undergraduate students.
Enrollment Status

Financial aid awards are based on full-time attendance at the University. Full-time attendance is defined as a minimum of 12 credits per semester for undergraduate students and 9 credits per semester for graduate students (see Degree Standing to determine graduate/professional student status for financial aid purposes). Enrollment is reviewed for all students receiving financial aid at the end of the official add/drop period each semester, at which time adjustments to financial aid awards are made.

The following programs require full-time enrollment. Less than full-time enrollment will result in complete loss of the award.

- Gilbert Grant
- Health Professions Loan
- MASSGrant
- Most state grants

The following programs are prorated based on enrollment status. For these programs, undergraduate students will lose 25 percent of their award if they are enrolled in 9–11 credits, 50 percent of their award if they are enrolled in 6–8 credits, and 100 percent of their award if they are enrolled in 1–5 credits. Graduate students will lose 100 percent of their award if they are enrolled in fewer than 5 credits.

- Federal Pell Grant (students enrolled in 1–5 credits receive a prorated portion of the Pell Grant)
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant
- MCPHS Scholarship

The following programs require at least half-time enrollment. Less than half-time enrollment will result in complete loss of the award. Half-time enrollment is defined as 6 credits for undergraduate students and 5 credits for graduate students.

- Federal Perkins Loan
- Federal PLUS loan
- Federal Stafford Loans (subsidized and unsubsidized)
- Federal Work-Study Program
- Most alternative loans

Graduate Students

Graduate students who want to apply for assistantships, scholarships, and fellowships should contact the Assistant Dean for Graduate Studies.

Graduate Assistantships. The University has a limited number of graduate assistantships that are competitively awarded to qualified full-time students in the Division of Graduate Studies, including international students. Full-time graduate assistants may be eligible to receive remission of tuition up to the maximum of 12 semester hour credits per academic year. No final commitment for assistantships can be made until an applicant has been accepted with the remitted matriculation fee. Assistantships are awarded on a highly selective basis, with preference given to students who have been enrolled at the University for one full year of graduate study.

Scholarships and Fellowships. Among the scholarships and fellowships available for graduate study are the following:

- Rho Chi Graduate Scholarship
- American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education Fellowship
- United States Pharmacopeia Fellowship

International Applicants

Financial aid in the form of grants and loans is not available to international students.

Satisfactory Academic Progress

The University is required to establish minimum standards of satisfactory academic progress (SAP) for students receiving financial aid. The University applies these standards to all federal, state, and institutional funds.

The Office of Student Financial Services will disburse financial aid only to those students who are in good academic standing and are making satisfactory progress toward completion of their degree.

Requirements

A student is not making SAP if any of the following conditions exist:

- The student’s cumulative grade point average (GPA) is below 2.0 at the end of the second year of his/her academic program. Grade point averages are reviewed by the Academic Standing Committee at the end of each semester.
- The student’s earned credits (completed with a passing grade) are less than 67 percent of all attempted credits (coursework), as calculated at the end of each semester.
The student has exceeded the maximum time frame of attempted credits (150 percent) of the published length of his/her degree program.

SAP is reviewed at the end of each semester (payment period).

The following describes how types of coursework are used in the SAP calculation:
- Dropped coursework is not included.
- Failing grades (F) are included in the GPA and in earned and attempted credits.
- Incomplete grades (I) are included in the GPA and in earned and attempted credits.
- Withdrawals are included in earned and attempted credits.
- Repeated coursework is included in the GPA and in earned and attempted credits.
- Pass/fail coursework is included in earned and attempted credits.
- Audit coursework is not included.
- Colleges of the Fenway coursework is included in the GPA and in earned and attempted credits.
- Transfer coursework (applicable to current program) is included in earned and attempted credits.
- Satisfactory/unsatisfactory coursework (graduate programs only) is included in earned and attempted credits.
- Remedial coursework is not included.

If a student is not making SAP, he or she will be placed on financial aid warning. A student then has one semester to make satisfactory progress. If, after one semester on financial aid warning, a student is not making SAP, the student becomes ineligible for aid.

Students who are ineligible for financial aid because they are not making SAP may appeal to regain eligibility for the subsequent semester to achieve the SAP standards. Students may also continue to take coursework without the use of financial assistance until eligibility is reinstated by achieving the required SAP standards.

Appeals are considered when a student can demonstrate that an extraordinary circumstance existed (for example, student illness, the illness or death of a family member) that prevented him/her from achieving SAP. Students considering an SAP appeal should contact the Office of Student Financial Services to make an appointment to discuss the situation. Appeals are due by the start date of the subsequent semester; however, an appeal does not exclude the student’s payment responsibility associated with the semester’s bill due date. Incomplete appeals will not be reviewed. Students may appeal only once during their academic career to regain eligibility and will be notified of the decision. Students with an approved appeal will be placed on financial aid probation and have one semester to achieve SAP. If the student fails to achieve the SAP standards after probation, then he/she will not be eligible for aid until the standards are achieved. Nonmatriculating students are not eligible for financial aid.

**Process for Awarding Financial Aid**

In selecting financial aid recipients, primary emphasis is placed upon financial need, availability of funds, the student’s academic achievement, and/or satisfactory academic progress.

**Determining Need**
To determine a student’s need, the University uses the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The information provided on the FAFSA is used to determine what amount a family can be expected to contribute toward the cost of attending the University (the expected family contribution, or EFC).

The University uses the standard federal formula (known as the federal methodology, or FM) in computing the expected parental and student contributions. Some of the factors used in the analysis include income, assets, family size, and number of family members in college. The student’s expected contribution is added to the parental expected contribution to produce the total expected family contribution. The student’s financial need is determined by subtracting the expected family contribution from the total cost of attending the University. The cost of attendance includes tuition and fees as well as an allowance for room and board, books and supplies, travel, federal loan fees, and other education-related expenses.

**The Financial Aid Package**

After the student’s financial need is determined, Student Financial Services will develop a financial aid package for the student. MCPHS utilizes scholarships, loans, and employment opportunities to assist students in meeting as much of their demonstrated financial need as possible. The University makes every effort to distribute the available funds in an equitable fashion in order to assist the greatest number of eligible students. The total amount of aid a student receives may not exceed his or her total cost of attendance.
The University offers a variety of scholarships, which are funded through endowments, gifts, and other monies raised by the University. Scholarships are awarded primarily based on financial need and academic achievement. Students applying for financial aid are automatically considered for each scholarship for which they may qualify. Major programs providing financial aid to students are described in the 2013–14 MCPHS Student Financial Services handbook.

**Private Funding Sources**
In addition to the federal, state, and University programs offered through the University’s financial aid application process, students also are encouraged to apply for outside aid to help meet the costs of education. There are several free scholarship search services available through the Internet (please visit the University’s website at www.mcphs.edu for further information). In addition, most high school and public libraries have resources detailing private scholarship opportunities.

**Verification Process**
Each year the federal government and/or MCPHS selects students who have completed the FAFSA for verification. The verification process simply requires the University to review supporting documents to verify the information reported on the FAFSA for the parent(s), student, and spouse.

Information that must be verified includes adjusted gross income, federal tax paid, untaxed income, child support paid, SNAP (food stamp) benefits, the number of family members in the household, and the number of children in the household who are enrolled at least half time in college.

If you are selected for verification, you will be notified of additional documents that you must submit to complete your financial aid file. An MCPHS verification worksheet is required for all applicants along with any appropriate tax/income documentation.

The IRS Data Retrieval Tool allows students and parents to access the IRS tax return information needed to complete the FAFSA. Students and parents may transfer the data directly into their FAFSA. MCPHS encourages all students and families to utilize the IRS data retrieval process as this is the preferred method for FAFSA filers to report federal tax information. If the IRS data retrieval process is not used on an FAFSA transaction, then the student and/or parent will need to obtain a federal tax return transcript from the IRS.

A federal tax transcript is required when the applicant (or parent) does not use the IRS data retrieval process—either at initial FAFSA filing or though the FAFSA on the Web correction process. Students and/or parents may complete online requests for a federal tax return transcript at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). Online requests are considered the quickest approach to obtain a federal tax return transcript. The request may take up to 10 days to fulfill.

There are also certain conditions that will require a federal tax transcript for processing:

- When information included on the FAFSA using the IRS data retrieval process was subsequently changed
- When a married independent applicant and spouse filed separate tax returns
- When the parents of a dependent student filed separate tax returns
- When an applicant or applicant’s parent had a change in marital status after the end of the tax year on December 31, 2011
- When the applicant, or parent or spouse, as applicable, filed an amended tax return
- When requested by the University

**Incoming students** will receive estimated award packages but are required to submit verification requirements upon request.

Continuing students are required to submit all verification requirements prior to receiving an award package.

MCPHS will not disburse federal, state, and institutional financial aid to a student’s account until the student completes the verification process. Failure to complete the verification process will result in the cancellation of federal financial aid. The University reserves the right to verify any file that appears to contain discrepant information. In addition to verifying a student’s application data, MCPHS is required by federal law to resolve any conflicts of information that become evident as part of the application review process. All discrepancies must be resolved prior to Title IV aid being disbursed to a student’s account.

**Additional Student Financial Services**

**Appeal Process**
Students and parents may appeal their financial aid award if there is a significant and unforeseen change in circumstances or if there is information that was not provided on the original application materials. For additional details regarding the financial aid appeal process, refer to the 2013–14 MCPHS Student Financial Services handbook. All appeals must be in writing and must include documentation of the reasons for requesting the reevaluation of the financial aid package as well as complete tax transcripts and W-2s (if necessary) for the student and parent (if the student is a dependent).
Applying Financial Aid to Your Student Account
If all necessary paperwork has been submitted by the student and parents, financial aid will be applied to a student’s account after add/drop each semester. Failure to submit the necessary paperwork will result in the delay and possible cancellation of the student’s financial aid.

Refunds
Students will automatically receive a refund for any excess funds (credit balance) on their student account each semester. Refunds may be available 7 to 10 days after the completion of the add/drop period each semester following verification of student enrollment. Students should be sure to make arrangements each semester for the purchase of books and payment of rent (if housed off campus), since refunds are not available during the first few weeks of each academic term.

Late Payment Fees
Students with outstanding student account balances will be charged a late payment fee. To avoid late payment fees, students must ensure that all financial obligations (including tuition, fees, health insurance fees, and housing charges) will be met by the dates specified in the Tuition section of this catalog.

Students receiving financial aid and/or private alternative loans must ensure that proper documentation is completed and aid and/or loan funds are received by the University on or before the payment due date in order to avoid a late fee.

Students participating in a payment plan must ensure that the payment plan budget for each term will cover all outstanding charges. Payment plan budgets that will not result in a paid-in-full status by the end of the payment term will be assessed a late payment fee. Payment plans are not available for any summer enrollment periods.

For students with outstanding balances, the University reserves the right to not
- provide official transcripts,
- grant the diploma certifying graduation,
- complete board exam certification, or
- register the student for any other coursework.

Students wishing to question late payment fees are required to do the following:
1. Pay the student account balance due in full (less the late payment fee).
2. Submit the following in writing to the Office of Student Financial Services:
   - Student name
   - Student ID number
   - The reason(s) or documentation that contributed to the circumstances of the late payment fee

The student will be notified of the decision concerning the appeal of a late payment fee.

Student Account Statements
Student account statements are sent electronically on a monthly basis. Statements include all recent account activity, including charges, payments, disbursements of financial aid and loan funds, and account adjustments. Balances due must be paid by the payment due date to avoid late payment fees.

The University accepts electronic funds transfer, MasterCard, Discover, Visa, and American Express.

Work-Study
Students working in a Federal Work-Study Program position are paid through a weekly paycheck based on hours actually worked. These funds are not credited to the student’s account.

Withdrawal from the University
Students withdrawing from the University who have been determined to be eligible for federal financial aid are subject to certain provisions surrounding the calculation of their federal aid eligibility. A federally determined formula is used to calculate the amount of federal aid a student is eligible to receive based on the portion of the semester completed before the withdrawal. If a student received more assistance than was earned, the excess funds must be returned.

The amount of aid a student is eligible to receive is based on the percentage of the semester that was completed prior to the initiation of the withdrawal process. For example, if 40 percent of the semester has passed when the withdrawal process is initiated, then 40 percent of the federal aid originally scheduled for disbursement has been earned. Once 60 percent of the semester has been completed, a student is considered to have earned 100 percent of the federal aid he or she was eligible to receive.

If it is determined that a student received more federal aid than was earned, MCPHS will return the unearned funds based on a formula
comparing institutional charges with the unearned percentage of funds. If MCPHS must return a portion of the funds, the removal of
those funds from the student’s account will create a balance due, which the student will be required to pay.

If the portion of unearned funds is not required to be returned by MCPHS, then the student must return the remaining amount. If the
unearned funds needing to be returned are loans, the student may repay the amount in accordance with the original terms of the
promissory note. If the student is responsible for returning any federal grant funding, he or she is required to return all but 50 percent of
the amount that was calculated to be refunded. The remaining 50 percent is considered a grant overpayment and must be paid directly
to the U.S. Department of Education.

To find out how a withdrawal during the first 60 percent of the semester may affect a financial aid award, students should make an
appointment to discuss the situation with their Student Financial Services representative.
Academic Policies and Procedures

Introduction
General University policies and procedures are stated below. Students should note that within individual programs and schools there might be additional requirements or variations of these policies. The ultimate responsibility for complying with academic policies and fulfilling graduation requirements rests with the individual student.

Student Absence
In order to be allowed to make up exams, coursework, or clinical/rotation hours, MCPHS students must seek an excused absence. In all cases, it is the student’s responsibility to notify the Academic Resource Center (Boston), Assistant Dean of Academic Support Services (Worcester), or Associate Dean of Students (Manchester), as well as his or her course faculty or clinical preceptor. Course faculty and the Academic Resource Center / Academic Support Services / Associate Dean must be notified within five business days from the first date of absence. Notification of clinical preceptors must comply with the expectations outlined in clinical rotation syllabi and handbooks. An excused absence request form must be submitted along with valid documentation for the absence within this five-business-day period. Exceptions to the five-business-day notification period are rare and may be approved only by professional Academic Resource Center staff (Boston) or by the Assistant Dean of Academic Support Services / Associate Dean of Students (Worcester or Manchester). With acceptable documentation from a student, an official memorandum will be issued notifying faculty/preceptors of the excused absence. Once an absence has been excused, course instructors will make all reasonable attempts to assist the student to satisfy the requirements of the course. In regard to completion of work missed, if an acceptable agreement between the student and professor(s) cannot be reached, the school dean will serve as arbitrator.

ILLNESS: Absence due to illness requires documentation on letterhead from the office of a physician or medical clinic. If the student requires recovery time, these dates should be included in the documentation. If a student has a contagious illness (e.g., swine flu), the University may require the student to present a second medical notice clearing him or her to return to campus.

BEREAVEMENT: In the event of a death in the immediate family of an enrolled MCPHS student, the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or Assistant Dean of Academic Support Services (Worcester), or Associate Dean of Students (Manchester) will grant the student an excused absence for up to three consecutive business days, or longer at the ARC professional’s or Assistant Dean/Associate Dean’s discretion. The immediate family is defined as parent/guardian, sibling, child, spouse/partner, or with the approval of the Associate Dean for the Academic Resource Center (Boston), or the Assistant Dean/Associate Dean of Academic Support Services (Worcester or Manchester), a member of the extended family.

RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE: The Massachusetts Legislature has enacted and the governor has signed into law Chapter 375, Acts of 1985. It adds to Chapter 151C of the General Laws the following section: “Section 2B. Any student in an educational or vocational training institution, other than a religious or denominational educational or vocational training institution, who is unable, because of his or her religious beliefs, to attend classes or to participate in any examination, study, or work requirement on a particular day shall be excused from any such examination or study or work requirement, and shall be provided with an opportunity to make up such examinations, study, or work requirement which he or she may have missed because of such absence on any particular day; provided, however, that such makeup examination or work shall not create an unreasonable burden upon the school. No fees of any kind shall be charged by the institution for making available to the said student such opportunity. No adverse or prejudicial effects shall result to any student because of his or her availing himself or herself of the provisions of this section. A copy of this section shall be published by each institution of higher education in the catalog of such institution containing the list of available courses.”

NOTE: Students are expected to abide by instructions in each course syllabus regarding student responsibilities related to class absences. Students who fail to do so may be ineligible to receive an excused absence, regardless of the reason for the absence. With respect to completion of work missed, if an acceptable agreement between the student and professor(s) cannot be reached, the school dean will serve as arbitrator.

Instructor Absence
If a faculty member is unable to conduct classes as scheduled, every effort will be made to offer substitute instruction for the students. Planned absences due to professional commitments should be approved by the school dean well in advance so that suitable coverage or alternative assignments may be arranged. The school dean should be informed as soon as possible of any unplanned absences due to illness or personal emergency so that students can be notified in a timely manner. Classes can be canceled only with the approval of the school dean or, in his or her absence, the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Academic Progress
The academic standing of each student will be reviewed at the end of each academic semester at each campus, including summer
sessions. All students will be reviewed by the school in which they are enrolled. Summer sessions are reviewed to evaluate student academic progress.

Each school has specific academic progression standards (e.g., minimum grade point average requirements, minimum grades for required courses) that must be met in order to progress within the degree program (see Good Academic Standing). Students who fail to meet the minimum standards required for academic progression will be notified of the decision by the school’s Academic Standing Committee (ASC).

**Academic Warning**

Faculty members submit midsemester warnings to the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or the Assistant Dean of Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester) by the designated dates. A student with one midsemester warning will receive an email message to his or her official MCPHS email account. A student receiving two or more midsemester warnings will be placed on academic warning and will receive a letter stating such, signed by the school dean. Each student placed on academic warning will be required (as stipulated in his or her letter) to meet with an academic counselor in the Academic Resource Center (Boston) / Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester) within three weeks and encouraged to meet with his or her advisor. There is no appeal process associated with academic warning.

**Academic Probation**

Each student’s academic status will be reviewed at the end of each academic semester, and each student’s professional (if applicable) and cumulative grade point averages (GPAs) will be determined. A student with a professional and/or cumulative GPA below the requirement for his or her major shall be placed on academic probation and receive a letter from the chair of the ASC stating such. This written notice of probationary status also will include a notice that failure to reach the required GPA by the end of the designated academic semester may result in dismissal from the University.

Each student on probation is required to meet with a member of the Academic Resource Center (Boston) / Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester) staff by the end of the second week of the probationary semester to develop and agree to—in writing—an academic improvement plan (AIP). The AIP may include a reduced course load, mandatory study/advising sessions, mandatory class attendance, or other stipulations aimed at encouraging and supporting student success. A copy of a student’s AIP will be maintained in his or her advising folder, and a copy also will be forwarded to the appropriate school dean.

Probationary status may remain in effect for up to two consecutive academic terms, defined as two semesters or two clinical clerkships, depending upon the student’s year and/or campus of enrollment. It is expected that students on probation make progress toward good academic standing at the conclusion of each academic term. Failure to demonstrate improvement at the end of the first probationary period may result in dismissal. At the conclusion of the second consecutive academic term, the student must have achieved good academic standing; failure to do so will result in dismissal. Upon completion of each academic term, a student on academic probation will receive a notice of his or her current standing in writing from the chair of the school’s ASC.

Individual programs may have specific grade point requirements that students must meet in order to enter the professional years and associated clerkships of their programs. These program-specific requirements preempt the probation process for the preprofessional years. For information about program-specific requirements for the professional years, students should contact the appropriate school dean. There is no appeal process associated with academic probation.

**Academic Dismissal**

Each student’s academic status will be reviewed at the end of each academic semester by the appropriate ASC. Each student’s professional (if applicable) and cumulative GPAs will be determined. If a student’s GPA falls below the level of good academic standing, as defined by the program requirements, for two consecutive academic semesters, the ASC will submit a recommendation for dismissal from the program to the appropriate school dean.

Courses may be attempted no more than two times. Grades of F and W are considered attempts for courses in which D or better is the passing grade. For those courses in which the passing grade is higher (e.g., C–, C), grades below the passing grade and W are all considered attempts. Failure to complete any course within these limits will result in an ASC recommendation for dismissal from the degree program to the school dean.

A student recommended for dismissal may be continued by the school dean with or without conditions. If the school dean accepts the dismissal recommendation, the student will receive written notice of dismissal from the school dean. The notice will include procedures for appeal and notice of loss of housing, financial aid, and registration. The following offices/individuals will be notified of the dismissal: Academic Resource Center / Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester), advisor, Dean of Students, Office of the Registrar, Residence Life Office, Information Services, Public Safety, and Student Financial Services. Students will be required to turn in their University ID and vacate University residence halls.

Individual programs may have specific grade point requirements that students must meet in order to enter the professional years and associated clerkships of their programs. These program-specific requirements preempt the dismissal process for the preprofessional years,
and students failing to meet them may be subject to dismissal. For information about program-specific requirements for the professional years, students should contact the appropriate school dean.

A student whose conduct is unsatisfactory may be dismissed from the University at any time. In such a case, tuition and fees paid for the current academic semester will not be refunded.

Reinstatement of Dismissed Students
To be considered for readmission following dismissal by a school dean, the student must petition the Provost’s Office, in writing, by the date designated in the appeals procedure guidelines that accompany the dismissal letter. The Provost’s Office may uphold the dismissal, readmit the student, or readmit the student with conditions. If readmitted, the student’s academic performance will be reviewed at the end of one academic semester. If the student has failed to meet the stipulated conditions or, in the absence of stipulated conditions, failed to meet the minimum GPA required for good academic standing in that student’s program, the student will be dismissed from the University.

A student who has been dismissed twice is eligible for readmission to the same degree program only if (1) the student has been away from the University for a period of 12 months, and (2) the student has demonstrated academic success through coursework taken at another institution. If these conditions are met, the student may apply for readmission to the school dean. Readmission also will depend upon the availability of space in the program.

A student may apply for readmission to another degree program after the first or second dismissal. The student must meet with an academic advisor in the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or with Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester) to initiate the internal transfer process described in the Change of Program section below. All materials required for this process must be submitted within 60 days of the date of the initial letter of dismissal. All of the program’s internal transfer requirements (available from the school dean’s office) must be met.

Auditing Courses—No Credit
A student may audit a course with the consent of the instructor. The student must register for the course through the Office of the Registrar and pay two-thirds of the tuition. The student does not earn academic credit for audited courses. Students cannot audit courses that are part of their required curriculum.

Change of Program (Boston)
A student requesting an internal change of program must schedule an appointment with the Advising Center in the Academic Resource Center (ARC) to discuss with an advisor the decision to apply for a change of program. Prior to this meeting, the student must have a printed copy (from WebAdvisor) of the most recent program evaluation and a program evaluation for the new major. These audits should be brought to the meeting with the advisor. Students must initiate their request for additional transfer credit for coursework completed prior to matriculation during the meeting with the advisor.

When a new major has been chosen, the student may be required to schedule an appointment with the director of the program to which he or she wishes to transfer. The ARC (Boston) will submit to the program director a request for change of student status form, the program evaluation, and a "what-if" program evaluation, as well as a letter stating the reasons for transfer. All program internal transfer requirements (available from the school dean’s office) must be met. If the student is accepted into the new program in good standing, written notification of acceptance (in the form of a signed request for change of student status form approved by the school dean) is sufficient notification. If the student is accepted into the new program on probation, a letter notifying the student of his or her probationary status will be attached to the request for change of student status form and sent to the school dean for approval and signature. Once accepted, the program director will determine, if applicable, the new year of graduation (YOG). The student, the advisor, the program director, and the appropriate school dean must sign the request for change of student status form. All written correspondence regarding the decision must be sent to the student, program director, Office of the Registrar, Student Financial Services, ARC, and school dean(s). If students have outstanding coursework taken external to MCPHS, the official transcripts must be received in the Office of the Registrar no later than the add/drop deadline for the term of entry. Final acceptance into the new program will remain pending until transfer coursework has been approved.

In order to register for classes in the new program, the completed and approved request for change of student status form must be on file in the Office of the Registrar and the ARC. Once admitted to a new program, a student must adhere to the program and GPA requirements commensurate with his or her new YOG.

Depending on the intended new program, first-year students may change majors only after grades have been reviewed following the fall or spring semester or, in the case of the PharmD, the spring semester of the second year. Students may begin the change-of-major process early, but they must meet with an advisor in the ARC to review the change-of-major procedures, petition, and timeline, and then meet again at the final stage of the process.
If a student moves from the Worcester/Manchester PharmD program to any program in Boston, he or she will receive transfer credit for any courses that would be applied to the degree program, and the secondary degree would begin with a new degree audit. In this case, the residency requirement would be waived. Students cannot transfer from the Worcester or Manchester PharmD program into the Boston PharmD program.

**Recalculation of the Grade Point Average**

Students who have been accepted into a new program and wish to remove courses from their grade point average that are not required for the new major should note their request on the request for change of student status form. All grades will remain on the transcript (and program evaluation), with the notation that they are not included in the grade point average.

Students who leave a program not in good academic standing and wish to move to another degree program or be readmitted to their former program must meet the grade point requirements of that YOG and program (see Good Academic Standing). Students who leave the PharmD program not in good standing must complete the new program and meet the grade point average requirement required by the School of Pharmacy–Boston before seeking readmission to a student’s original program.

Any courses removed from the grade point calculation that are required for the original degree program will be added back to the GPA calculation prior to consideration for readmission.

**Conduct of Classes**

**Admission to Classes**

No student will be admitted to a scheduled class unless
- the student’s name is on the instructor’s class roster and
- the student’s account is in order.

**Attendance**

The University expects students to meet attendance requirements in all courses in order to qualify for credit. Attendance requirements may vary depending on the instructor, and these should be clearly stated in the syllabus available to each student during the first week of the course. Generally, students are expected to attend all classes unless they have a valid excuse. (See Student Absence for further requirements.)

**Student Conduct**

An instructor shall have the right to require a student who is disruptive during a class, laboratory, or experiential rotation to leave for the remainder of the session and shall report the incident to the Dean of Students (Boston), Dean of Students (Worcester), or Associate Dean of Students (Manchester) for further appropriate action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

**Instructional Periods**

A lecture period of 50 minutes per week, extending over one academic term, will constitute 1 academic credit hour. Faculty members are expected not to continue any class beyond the scheduled ending time. Unless students have been informed that the faculty member will be late, class is canceled if a faculty member has not arrived within 10 minutes of the scheduled starting time of a class.

**Online and Distance Education Classes**

The majority of courses at MCPHS are conducted in physical classrooms and labs. However, in addition to programs offered entirely online, some required and elective courses may be delivered online and/or through distance education. In participating in online or distance education courses, students learn in different ways and must manage a technologically mediated environment. This learning will be of value both in the completion of degree requirements and in the workplace. Increasingly, workplaces utilize technology for training and work. Please see the MCPHS Online section for suggestions for taking online courses.

**Minimum Class Size**

By noon on the Friday of the first week of classes, the school dean will make the following decision regarding offering a class, based on enrollment:
- Required courses will be offered unless offered more than once in a calendar year. If five or fewer students register for a required course that is offered more than once in a calendar year, the course may be canceled (programmatic requirements considered).
- Elective courses will be offered provided there is a minimum of eight students enrolled.

**Registration**

It is the responsibility of the instructor to ensure that only properly registered students are allowed to attend class. If a student’s name does not appear on the class roster in WebAdvisor after the add/drop period, that student shall not be allowed to attend, participate in, or take or receive exams until the instructor is notified by the Office of the Registrar that the student is officially registered.
Course Policies

Academic Honesty
The academic honesty policy is provided by the Dean of Students’ office to all members of the MCPHS community online through the MCPHS student handbook. All entering students are expected to acknowledge that they have read the academic honesty policy via an online process coordinated by the Dean of Students’ office. Refusal to do so may result in more severe sanctions should a student be found responsible for an academic honesty violation.

Faculty may require that students sign the following academic honesty statement for examinations and written graded assignments:

Academic Honesty Statement
I pledge that I have neither given nor received, and will not give or receive, unauthorized aid on this examination, paper, and/or assignment.

Student signature __________________________  Date ______________________

Assessment
All materials, in whatever format, submitted by students for evaluation in MCPHS courses may be used by MCPHS for program or institutional assessment. To the extent possible, individual identification will be removed from these materials before they are used for assessment purposes.

Colleges of the Fenway
A Colleges of the Fenway (COF) student enrolled in an MCPHS course through COF cross-registration must notify the course instructor and provide her or him with an email address to ensure that course information is received in a timely manner. The student also should consult with the instructor regarding access to online applications that might be used in the course.

Disabilities
Students with documented disabilities who wish to request accommodations under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Office of Disability Support Services at 617.879.5925 (Boston students) or the Director of Academic Support Services at 508.373.5608 (Worcester/Manchester students) to discuss the accommodations process.

Email
All MCPHS students are required to open, utilize, and maintain (i.e., keep storage within the maximum set by the Department of Information Services) an MCPHS email account. Official University communications and notices are sent via MCPHS email accounts. All students are responsible for regularly checking their MCPHS email and for the information contained therein. Only MCPHS accounts will be used in all matters related to academics, student life, and University notifications. The University does not forward MCPHS email to personal email accounts.

Excused Absences
In the case of illness or prolonged absence, it is the student’s responsibility to notify the Academic Resource Center (Boston), Assistant Dean of Academic Support Services (Worcester), or Associate Dean of Students (Manchester), as well as his or her course faculty within five days from the first date of absence. Exceptions to the five-day notification period are rare and can be approved only by professional Academic Resource Center staff (Boston), the Assistant Dean of Academic Support Services (Worcester), or the Associate Dean of Students (Manchester). With acceptable documentation from a student, an official memorandum will be issued notifying faculty of an excused absence. In the case of a legitimate excused absence, course instructors will make all reasonable attempts to assist the student to satisfy requirements of the course.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Students are expected to abide by all instructions in each course syllabus regarding responsibilities related to class absences, including notification of clinical coordinators and clinical preceptors. Students who fail to do so may be ineligible to receive an excused absence, regardless of the reason for the absence. With respect to completion of work missed, if an acceptable agreement between the student and the professor(s) cannot be reached, the school dean will serve as arbitrator.

Plagiarism and TurnItIn.com
Students are expected to abide by the University’s academic honesty policy as explained in the MCPHS student handbook. Plagiarism is considered a violation of this policy. Plagiarism is defined as submitting another person’s work as one’s own without proper acknowledgment or using the words or ideas of others without crediting the source of those words or ideas. In order to deter plagiarism and ensure appropriate use of resources in student research and learning, the University subscribes to a plagiarism prevention service, www.turnitin.com. Faculty may request that students submit their written work electronically in order to verify that when ideas of others are used, they are cited appropriately. The course syllabus identifies student work that must be submitted electronically for such review and provides directions for doing so.
Writing-Intensive Courses (for all HUM courses and others designated as writing intensive)
The MCPHS faculty believes that learning in all disciplines is an integrative process, a synthesis of critical reading, thinking, and
writing. Students not only must learn to write but also must write to learn. Consequently, writing-intensive courses require students to
write 15 to 20 pages in two or more assignments that may take various forms as determined by the course instructor. In addition,
instructors dedicate class time to the teaching of writing in their specific disciplines, provide feedback on assignments, and allow revision
of at least one assignment.

Writing Proficiency Requirement (Boston only)
MCPHS–Boston students in all baccalaureate and first professional degree programs are expected to meet the University’s standards
for writing proficiency, which include the general standards for writing competency as delineated in the University’s writing
proficiency rubric, and specific applications of those standards by faculty in disciplines across the University curricula.

Students who do not perform at a satisfactory level of writing proficiency may be referred to the Writing Center and may be required to
demonstrate writing improvement to receive full course credit. (For details, see the Writing Proficiency Requirement—Boston section of
this catalog.) The writing proficiency rubric is available on the Writing Center Web page at my.mcphs.edu.

Courses Taken at Other Colleges after Matriculation
Once a student has matriculated at the University, no courses taken off campus will be accepted for transfer credit. (NOTE: COF
courses are allowed for Boston students.) Exceptions to this policy may be granted by the Provost’s Office in instances involving delay of
graduation or extreme hardship. In these instances, course approval must be obtained from the Associate Dean for Academic Support
and Resources (Boston). Students are advised not to enroll in or make payments for non-MCPHS courses without official University
approval.

Credit by Examination
Credit by examination is available to students whose previous coursework in a subject area does not meet transfer credit criteria or who
feel they have achieved competency in a subject through work or life experience. Credit by examination is available to new students only
during the student’s first semester of matriculation at the University, no later than the add/drop deadline of the term of entry.

Competency may be demonstrated through one of the following means: (a) College Level Examination Program (CLEP), (b) Advanced
Placement (AP) examination, or (c) International Baccalaureate (IB) examination.

The College Board administers CLEP and AP examinations. A passing score on the CLEP examination in English Composition with
Essay will be accepted as credit for Expository Writing I. A passing score on the CLEP examination in Freshman College Composition
with Essay will be accepted as credit for Expository Writing II. CLEP credit will be awarded only after the Admission Office has received
official scores directly from the College Board. In the case of AP examinations, credit will be awarded for a score of 4.0 or higher.

No AP credit will be awarded for CHE 131 Chemical Principles I, CHE 132 Chemical Principles II, CHE 110 Basic Chemistry I, or
CHE 210 Basic Chemistry II. No AP credit will be awarded to students in the Premedical and Health Studies program for BIO 151
Biology I or BIO 152 Biology II.

AP and IB exceptions: Chemistry AP scores of 4 or better will be accepted as transfer credit for CHE 131 and CHE 132 for students
who matriculate at MCPHS with existing college credit for organic chemistry. Transfer students accepted into the professional phase of
an MCPHS degree program will receive transfer credit for IB courses accepted by a previous college. In both of these instances, official
AP and/or IB exam documentation must be provided to MCPHS no later than the add/drop deadline of the term of entry.

Students who complete IB courses must provide high school transcripts and/or IB reports that document the course, examination level,
and exam score. Students must achieve a score of 5 or better on an HL (high-level) IB exam. Transfer credits are limited to exams for
English, language, or the arts.

Students are responsible for scheduling CLEP/AP examinations through the College Board. Results/scores of the examination(s) should
be sent (by the school dean if applicable) to the Admission Office. If the student achieves an acceptable score on the examination(s),
then notification will be sent to (a) the student, (b) the program director, (c) the school dean, (d) the Office of the Registrar, (e) the
Academic Advising Center / advisor, and (f) others as appropriate. Credit earned by examination will not be counted toward the
residency requirement.

Clinical Rotations and Background Screenings
For some MCPHS programs, placements in clinical rotations at healthcare providers are a required part of the MCPHS curriculum.
Some of those healthcare providers require background screenings, and a conviction for a criminal offense might present an issue. It is
possible that certain types of criminal convictions, whether prior to being a student at MCPHS or while attending MCPHS, could
preclude a student from being able to complete a required clinical rotation. For more information, please contact the MCPHS Chief Compliance Officer.

**Cross-Registration (Boston)**

Cross-registration provides full-time undergraduates of the Colleges of the Fenway with the opportunity to take up to two courses per semester (fall and spring semesters) at any of the six Colleges of the Fenway institutions at no additional charge, so long as the credit load does not exceed 18 semester hours. This opportunity provides students with the advantages of a small college but exposes them to resources similar to those of a large university. Cross-registration enables students to broaden their intellectual and social capacities, and it introduces them to faculty, research, colleagues, and curricula they would not otherwise have experienced.

Students in good academic and financial standing may cross-register after students at the home institution have completed the preregistration process. Courses are open to cross-registration on a seat-available basis. Each school’s home students have the first option to register for courses that have been developed through joint efforts of faculty across the schools, and the goal of these courses is to attract a mix of students. A searchable database of all courses open for cross-registration may be found at www.colleges-fenway.org. Detailed information about cross-registration and associated processes and policies is highlighted on the Colleges of the Fenway website (www.colleges-fenway.org).

When a course offered through the Colleges of the Fenway requires MCPHS students to be absent from their own institution’s (MCPH’s) classes for no more than one week, the absence is considered an excused absence. Students enrolled in such courses are expected to meet all other academic requirements, working individually with faculty to make up work.

**Dean’s List**

The dean’s list recognizes full-time students seeking a bachelor’s degree or doctor of pharmacy who have completed the required full-time semester hours of credit and earn a minimum 3.50 GPA. Courses that are taken pass/fail do not count toward the full-time status. Doctor of pharmacy students in Boston, Worcester, and Manchester who are completing clinical rotations are not eligible for the dean’s list. Doctor of pharmacy students in the Worcester and Manchester programs during the six-week fall semester of Year II are eligible for the dean’s list. Incomplete grades that remain beyond the first three weeks of the subsequent semester render a student ineligible for the dean’s list in that term. Dean’s list is not awarded to students in graduate programs (i.e., MPAS, MANP, MSN, MSDH, MS, DPT, OD, and PhD). The dean’s list is published approximately one month into the following semester.

**Grievance Procedures**

**Disabilities Grievance Procedure**

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 provide that qualified persons with disabilities cannot be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination by any service, program, or activity of a postsecondary institution. In order to meet the needs of students with disabilities and fulfill its legal obligations under Section 504 and the ADA, the Associate Director of Disability Support Services (Boston) and the Assistant Dean for Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester) assist students with disabilities in identifying and accessing reasonable accommodations through the University’s accommodations process.

Students who believe they have been discriminated against may file a claim or complaint with the Dean of Students, 108 Fennell, MCPHS University, 179 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA 02115-5896 (Boston campus), or the Dean of Students, 19 Foster Street, Suite 410, MCPHS University, Worcester, MA 01608-1715, Tel.: 508.379.5646 (Worcester/Manchester campuses).

Complaints should be filed within 30 days of the incident and should include the following:

- Exact nature of the complaint—how complainant feels his or her rights have been denied and the person(s) believed to be responsible for the discriminatory act or practice
- Date, time, and place of the incident(s)
- Names of witnesses or persons who have knowledge of the incident(s)
- Copies of any available written documentation or evidence
- Actions that could be taken to correct the violation

If there is agreement that the complainant was the subject of discrimination, corrective action will be taken to restore the complainant’s rights. If there is no agreement, the complainant may appeal to the Vice President for Academic Affairs or his or her designee.

Students also may file a complaint of discrimination with the Office for Civil Rights (Boston Office), 5 Post Office Square, 8th Floor, Boston, MA 02109-3921 (Tel.: 617.289.0111; OCR.Boston@ed.gov) at any point in the complaint process.

To discuss their rights under Section 504 and the ADA, to obtain a copy of the complaint procedure, or to obtain help in filing a complaint, students should contact the Dean of Students, 108 Fennell, MCPHS University, 179 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA.
Discrimination Grievance Procedure

MCPHS has established the following procedure in the event that any student believes he or she has been discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability; and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 prohibits discrimination on the basis of age. MCPHS abides by all federal and state laws and regulations pertaining to discrimination.

MCPHS shall endeavor to address in a confidential manner any grievance so as to protect the privacy of all parties involved and will comply with all applicable laws and regulations.

A. Informal Stage

A student who believes he or she has been the subject of a discriminatory act or practice should first discuss his or her complaint with the person against whom the complaint is being made. If the circumstances of the complaint prevent the complainant from having this discussion, or if the complaint is not resolved within five business days, the complainant should discuss the complaint with the Dean of Students, Boston, in the case of Boston student complaints, or the Dean of Students, Worcester/Manchester, in the case of Worcester/Manchester student complaints.

If the complaint resulted from a violation of student policies of the University or is a violation of law, the dean shall take or direct appropriate administrative action to enforce established policies or laws. If the complaint resulted from a violation or potential violation of employee policies while the student served in a University employee role, the complaint will be referred to the Executive Director of Human Resources, who will follow University employment policies and grievance procedures with the involvement of the Dean of Students.

If the complaint involves a question of judgment or opinion not covered by established policies or laws, the dean will meet with both the complainant and the person against whom the complaint is being made within five business days of receiving the complaint to attempt to resolve the matter.

If the dean finds no basis for the complaint, the complainant will be so advised and given notice of the right to file a written complaint under the formal stage of this grievance procedure.

B. Formal Stage

A student who believes he or she has been the subject of a discriminatory act or practice must file a written complaint within 90 business days of when the complainant knew or should have known of the alleged discriminatory act or practice.

If the complaint has not been resolved at the informal stage, or if the student does not initiate the complaint at the informal stage, the complainant should submit a complaint in writing. The written complaint should include the following:

- Exact nature of the complaint—how the complainant believes he or she has been discriminated against and the person(s) believed responsible for the discriminatory act or practice
- Date, time, and place of the incident(s)
- Names of witnesses or persons who have knowledge about the discriminatory act or practice
- Any available written documentation or evidence that is relevant to the complaint
- Actions the complainant believes should be taken to correct the violation

Complaints by students should be submitted to the Dean of Students, Boston (Boston students), or Dean of Students, Worcester/Manchester (Worcester/Manchester students). Complaints submitted in relation to student employment will be referred by the dean to the Executive Director of Human Resources, with the dean collaborating with the executive director as necessary and appropriate. If the complaint involves the dean, the complaint should be filed with the Vice President for Academic Affairs, who shall appoint an alternate academic officer to receive the student complaint. If the complaint involves the executive director, the complaint should be filed with the Chief Operating Officer, who shall appoint an alternate administrative officer to receive the student employee complaint.

The dean or executive director shall promptly hear the complaint, together with such witnesses as he or she deems relevant to the complaint. The complainant shall have the right to name a full-time faculty or professional staff member of MCPHS to be present during the hearing to act as his or her advisor, but no attorneys or other advocates shall be permitted for any party.

The dean or executive director shall make findings and reach a decision within 30 business days of the end of the hearing. He or she shall communicate the findings and decision in writing to the complainant and other appropriate parties.
C. Appeal
The complainant may appeal the decision as follows: For student complaints, the appeal is to the Vice President for Academic Affairs; for student employee complaints, the appeal is to the Chief Operating Officer. If either of these vice presidents made the decision on the formal grievance, or if the formal grievance is against either of these vice presidents, the complainant may appeal the decision to the President of the University.

The designated vice president, or other designated person if the vice president made the decision on the formal grievance or if the formal grievance is against the vice president, shall review the findings and decision of the dean or executive director, as the case may be, and shall make a decision to uphold or overrule the findings and decision. The designated vice president shall make a decision within 10 business days and shall communicate the decision to the complainant and other appropriate parties. The decision of the designated vice president shall be final and not subject to further appeal to MCPHS.

NOTE: Complainants also may file a complaint of illegal discrimination with any state or federal compliance agency constituted for this purpose. Any retaliatory action of any kind against any person as a result of that person seeking redress under this procedure, cooperating in any investigation, or otherwise is prohibited and shall be regarded as a separate and distinct grievance.

Any person who feels that he or she has been discriminated against also has a right to file with any of the state or federal compliance agencies constituted for this purpose, such as:
Office for Civil Rights
United States Department of Education
5 Post Office Square, 8th Floor
Boston, MA 02109-3921
Tel.: 617.289.0111; OCR.Boston@ed.gov

Add/Drop Procedures
A registered student who wishes to adjust his or her class schedule during the designated add/drop period can make adjustments online via WebAdvisor. Students cross-registered for Colleges of the Fenway courses must adhere to the add/drop procedures at their home institution. The add/drop period deadline for all programs is specified for each academic term, usually within the first week of classes. Adjustments to tuition and fees, where applicable, are made automatically through the Office of Student Financial Services. Students who wish to withdraw from a course after the designated add/drop period should refer to the Withdrawal from a Course section in Academic Policies and Procedures. No refunds are made if such changes are made after the designated add/drop period. NOTE: Simply failing to attend classes will not result in the course being dropped from the student’s official registration, and students will be held financially accountable and receive a course grade of F.

Email Policy
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NOTE: All MCPHS community members may voluntarily register in the MCPHS Emergency Notification System to receive text messages via cell phones and email regarding major campus emergencies and campus closings. Contact helpdesk@mcphs.edu for more information.

Examinations
All tests and examinations, other than final examinations, are scheduled by the instructor. Students who miss a scheduled examination (i.e., classroom examination, lab, or other graded performance) and are granted an excused absence for the missed examination (see Student Absence) must arrange a make-up exam with the course instructor. The format of the make-up exam may vary from that of the original scheduled exam and is at the discretion of the course instructor. With respect to completion of such examinations, if an acceptable agreement between the student and professor(s) cannot be reached, the school dean will serve as arbitrator.

During the fall and spring semesters for undergraduate and first professional degree students, no course examinations (worth 15 percent or more of the final course grade) may be scheduled during the week before final examinations. Major written assignments may be due the week before finals if the assignments were semester-long and not assigned within the last four weeks of the semester. Exceptions are granted for laboratory examinations, including practical examinations. Exceptions also may be granted for block-scheduled courses, subject to approval by the Vice President for Academic Affairs (see School of Nursing, Boston, Worcester/Manchester).

NOTE: Final examinations are scheduled by the Office of the Registrar several weeks before the end of the semester. Final examinations
must be given only during final exam week. The final exam schedule includes make-up times for examinations canceled due to inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances (e.g., power outages, fire alarms). Students and faculty are expected to take these dates into account when planning any travel (i.e., they should not purchase nonrefundable tickets to leave before the makeup date).

**Academic Honesty and Exams**

The school deans are responsible for the proper conduct of examinations in their schools and will assign faculty and graduate assistants to serve as proctors for examinations. Support staff, under the supervision of the school deans, are responsible for maintaining confidentiality in the production and reproduction of examinations.

Instructors are expected to assist in the promotion of academic honesty through the following practices:

- Access to and use of “recycled” exams should be limited.
- Students will be required to leave all unnecessary materials (e.g., backpacks, notebooks, texts, calculators, PDAs, cellular phones) away from their seat assignment—only required materials will be allowed at the seat assignment.
- All exams are to be proctored.
- In specific evaluation situations, students may be asked to show instructors/proctors materials being used during the exam (e.g., PDAs, cellular phones) to ensure proper use of the allowed material and adherence to the honesty policy.

Instructors are encouraged to utilize the following exam seating practices whenever possible:

- Students entering an exam room will be randomly seated.
- Seating assignments will be spaced throughout the exam room, allowing for adequate space between students.

The instructor should follow the University policy on academic honesty when giving examinations and ensure that proctors are present at all examinations in compliance with this policy. At least one course coordinator for each course should be present during an examination to answer questions or to clarify issues that may arise. Exceptions to this rule must be approved by the school dean.

**Make-Up Examinations**

Make-up examinations will be offered to students who miss examinations for documented medical or personal emergencies (see Student Absence).

In first-year courses (Boston), the lowest exam grade may be dropped in the calculation of the final course grade. In these courses, the dropped grade may be used to accommodate an excused or unexcused absence in lieu of a make-up exam. In the instance of subsequent excused absences, make-up exams will be provided. In courses offered after the first curriculum year, make-up exams will be made available to students who have documented excused absences.

Determination of excused absences for medical or personal emergencies is based on documentation presented by the student to the Academic Resource Center (Boston campus), Dean of Students (Worcester), or Associate Dean of Students (Manchester).

Specific days are set aside as make-up times for final examinations that have to be rescheduled because of inclement weather or other contingencies (see above).

**Posting Examination Grades**

Faculty do not use student identification numbers to post exam grades. Quiz, exam, and assignment grades are posted on Blackboard™ via the use of student-specific log-ons and confidential passwords. Please remember that passwords should be kept confidential.

**Final Grades**

Students may view their final grades online via WebAdvisor. Final grades are not available to students until all grades have been submitted by all faculty. The Registrar’s Office will notify students via email when all grades are posted each term.

**Good Academic Standing**

To be in good academic standing, a student’s cumulative and professional grade point averages must meet the minimums required by the degree program in which he or she is enrolled. Any student whose cumulative or professional average falls below the minimum after an academic term is considered to be on probation. Professional grade point averages are calculated only after 12 credits have been taken in professional courses (exceptions exist for the Nursing program). Cumulative or professional grade point average minimums are listed in the Good Academic Standing table in this section.

Students who fail to meet the minimum standards required for academic progression will be notified of the decisions by the school’s Academic Standing Committee.

In order to maintain good academic standing, students should be aware that the professional curricula of the University are rigorous and demanding. Students who must be engaged in gainful employment should balance school and work responsibilities so as not to compromise their academic success.
Good Academic Standing and Satisfactory Progress for Financial Aid

Student Financial Services disburses financial aid only to students in good academic standing who are making satisfactory progress toward completion of their degrees. Refer to Student Financial Services in this catalog for further details.

Grading Policies

Grade Appeals

Students who wish to appeal a final grade must do so on or before the first day of class of the subsequent academic term (including summers for programs that are year-round). It is the student’s responsibility to ensure that the grade appeal process is concluded by the end of the add/drop period. The first appeal should be a discussion with the instructor, who must make a decision to uphold or change the grade within 48 hours of the appeal. If a mutually acceptable agreement cannot be reached, the student may appeal in writing to the department chair / program director, who must decide to uphold or change the grade within 48 hours of that appeal. If this procedure is not successful in resolving the matter, the student may then appeal in writing to the school dean, who has 48 hours to inform the student of the decision. The school dean’s decision is final.

Grade Point Average

The total number of quality points (see Grading System section of this catalog), divided by the total number of credit hours taken, yields the grade point average. The grade point average for each semester and cumulatively is calculated to two decimal points. In some degree programs, a professional grade point average also is calculated for each student by dividing the number of professional quality points by the total number of professional credit hours taken.

Grade Reports

At the end of each academic term, students can view their grades online via WebAdvisor. The Office of the Registrar notifies students when grades are posted.

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<td>All Majors: Minimum grade C in BIO 110, 210, CHE 110, 210, or CHE 131, 132, MAT 141 or 150, and PHY 181 or 270. MRI, additionally minimum grade C in HSC 310 and MAT 151, 152, 197, 261. For all Medical Imaging and Therapeutics BS programs, failure in two internship rotations results in dismissal.</td>
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### Grading System

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AUD N/A Audit; students cannot audit courses that are part of their curriculum
TR N/A Student received transfer credit
* N/A An asterisk denotes removal of grade from GPA

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**Incomplete Grades**
Courses with a grade of incomplete must be completed within three weeks of the new semester following the academic term (including summer sessions) in which the incomplete grade was assigned, or the grade automatically becomes an F. The instructor is responsible for notifying the Office of the Registrar regarding any student who has been granted additional time for coursework completion. The instructor also must specify the extended time period, up to one semester. No student may progress to courses for which the course with an incomplete is a prerequisite until the work is completed and the I grade is changed. Incomplete grades render a student ineligible for the dean’s list. No student can graduate with an incomplete grade in any course necessary for graduation.

**Pass/Fail Courses**
A maximum of one elective course may be taken on a pass/fail basis at another institution, including the Colleges of the Fenway. A grade of P or F will appear on the MCPHS transcript for any course taken pass/fail. A pass/fail course will not affect a student’s grade point average. However, a failure in such a course may have an impact on progression through the curriculum.

**Repeated Courses**
Following completion of a course repeated at MCPHS, the earlier grade will be removed from the grade point average, and the more recent grade will be used in the calculation. Both grades remain on the transcript for future reference. If the student repeats a course outside the University (see Courses Taken at Other Colleges after Matriculation), the lower grade is dropped from the grade point average, but a substitute grade is not used in the calculation. Such courses are listed as transfer credit.

Courses may be attempted no more than two times. Grades of F and W are considered attempts for courses in which D or better is the passing grade. For those courses in which the passing grade is higher (e.g., C–, C), grades below the passing grade and W are all considered attempts. Failure to complete any course within these limits will result in dismissal from the degree program or major.

When a curriculum change results in a course moving from one category to another (e.g., from preprofessional to professional), and a student repeats the course in the new category, the GPA will automatically be calculated in the new category. If the student wants the GPA to be calculated in the previous category, he or she must state the justification for that request via a petition for special academic request. The request is not automatically approved, and the repeated course will not be counted in both professional and preprofessional categories.

**Replacement of F Grades**
The registrar will automatically replace the previous grade when a student repeats a course. Students are encouraged to review their current program evaluation with the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or with Academic Support Services staff (Worcester or Manchester) to determine if there are existing grades that should be replaced. The timely replacement of grades is essential in determining the academic standing of students.

**Graduation Policies**

**Eligibility**
The University recognizes three graduation dates during the academic year: September 15; December 15; and a specified date in May. A formal Commencement ceremony is held once per year for all campuses, in May.
In order to be eligible to receive a degree on one of the above official graduation dates, students must complete all degree requirements (including coursework, experiential education, instructional requirements, and financial clearance) by the following deadlines:

**May:** Last day of spring semester final exam period*

**September:** Last day of summer session II

**December:** Last day of fall semester final exam period*

*All requested exceptions for students to process at Commencement with minimal requirements pending must be approved by the Dean of Students one month prior to the Commencement date.

Students who have completed degree requirements by the last day of the spring semester final exam period, or who earned their degree the previous September or December, are eligible to participate in the formal May Commencement ceremony. Students who will complete all degree requirements by the last day of summer session II are eligible to participate.

Students are eligible to participate in the Commencement ceremony only as noted above. In the event of incomplete requirements (including outstanding financial balances), the school dean will make a change in the student’s date of graduation (via the change of year of graduation form). It is the responsibility of the individual student to ensure that he or she meets all degree requirements on schedule or risk delay in graduation.

**Graduation with Honors**

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The determination of honors is based on the graduate’s final cumulative grade point average. Only students seeking a first bachelor’s degree or doctor of pharmacy who have completed at least 60 credits at MCPHS are eligible for honors. Honors designations appear on the student’s final grade transcript but not on the diploma.

First honor graduates are recognized during the May Commencement ceremony. In order to be considered a first honor graduate, one must be a student in a full-time undergraduate or entry-level program with at least three years of residency (except Nursing, PA–Worcester/Manchester and Postbaccalaureate Dental Hygiene) and must not have earned any graduate or other advanced degree.

**Petition to Graduate**

Students must file a petition to graduate form online. Deadlines for submitting the forms also are posted online. Upon determination of completed requirements, students will be approved for graduation. In the event of incomplete requirements, the school dean will make a change in the student’s year of graduation (YOG) via the change of YOG form. The student will be notified of this change and encouraged to meet with his or her program director and/or the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or Academic Support Services staff (Worcester or Manchester) to ensure satisfactory program completion within the new YOG. All tuition and fees must be paid to the University prior to graduation.

**Year of Graduation**

Whenever a student falls out of sequence in the curriculum of an academic program, takes a leave of absence, or changes program, a change of year of graduation (YOG) may be necessary. If requesting to change programs, a student must complete a change of YOG form as part of the request to the school dean. The form must be signed by an academic advisor. The program director and school dean will review the request for change of YOG as part of the acceptance process. The completed and signed change of YOG form will be distributed to (a) the school dean, (b) the student, (c) the Office of the Registrar, (d) Student Financial Services, (e) the program director, and (f) the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester).

**Leave of Absence**

The University recognizes that there are situations when a student may require a leave of absence. A student must be in good academic and financial standing to apply for a leave of absence. Such leaves are granted for a maximum of one academic year. The student must complete a leave of absence form, which calls for the signatures of (a) the student, (b) the Associate Dean for the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or Assistant Dean for Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester), and (c) Student Financial Services. The student must submit the leave of absence form with all signatures to the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester), whose staff will forward the form to the Office of the Registrar and all other necessary parties. Boston students will be contacted by the Academic Resource Center concerning their return to campus. Students must confirm that they are returning to MCPHS University prior to March 1 for a summer or fall semester return and prior to October 1 for a spring semester return. A student who fails to return within the designated time must reapply for admission. Students on a leave of absence are not eligible for University services, with the exception of academic advising three to four weeks prior to returning to the University. A leave
of absence often results in a change in the student’s year of graduation. Students who are on a leave of absence for one semester or longer from the Dental Hygiene, Nursing, Physical Therapy, or Medical Imaging and Therapeutics programs must pass a competency exam and/or a directed study course prior to reenrollment.

**Double Majors (Boston)**

Students enrolled in a BS degree program (Boston) may declare a double major. In order to be eligible, the student must have a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.2 or higher and have completed at least 30 credits. Once students have been approved for a double major, they are required to maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 for the remainder of their studies.

All requirements for both majors must be completed for the student to earn the BS degree. Students should note that only one degree will be conferred. Due to the additional course requirements, students may need to take more than 18 credits per semester and/or enroll in summer semester(s) should they expect to graduate with their class. It also is recommended that students check with Student Financial Services to discuss how these additional requirements might affect their financial aid status. In order to be considered a double major, candidates should contact the Academic Resource Center (Boston) and complete the application for double major.

Students enrolled in an accelerated, degree completion, online, MPAS, Nursing, or PharmD program are not eligible for this option.

**Minor Concentrations (Boston)**

Students who wish to pursue a minor concentration must complete a declaration of minor concentration form, which is available from the Academic Resource Center. Students must obtain the signature of the faculty member responsible for coordinating the minor concentration and the school dean. The declaration of minor concentration form must be forwarded to (a) the student, (b) the Academic Resource Center, and (c) the Office of the Registrar.

Requirements for completion of some minor concentrations vary for students in the Premedical and Health Studies program. These variations are outlined in the Premedical and Health Studies major section of this catalog. Premedical and Health Studies students must complete their program-specific declaration of minor concentration form.

**Registration for Classes**

Prior to the start of preregistration for each term, the Registrar’s Office will notify students (via MCPHS email) of the registration schedule. The schedule will indicate if students will be block registered for required courses or if students need to meet with Academic Advising before registering for classes. Students who register on time receive an electronic bill from Student Financial Services. Students who miss the registration period are charged a late registration fee. Students who have outstanding balances are not allowed to register or attend classes until all bills are paid in full.

**Nonmatriculating Students**

In rare instances, students may register for courses at MCPHS prior to matriculation in a specific program. All prerequisites for a class must be satisfied and there must be room in the class. Credit will be accepted only for classes in which students earn a C or better in undergraduate courses or a B or better in graduate courses. The maximum number of credits allowed is 12 semester hours for undergraduate students and 6 semester hours for graduate students. Students must request to have these credits applied to their degree; it is not automatic.

**Visiting Students**

Visiting students (those enrolled in degree programs at institutions other than members of the Colleges of the Fenway) also may register for classes at the University. Such students must provide documentation of good academic standing from their home institution before completing their registration. Visiting students may register on a seat-available basis and only after the designated period when matriculated students have completed the registration process. Such students may obtain registration materials at the Office of the Registrar. This same policy also applies to students from other MCPHS campuses.

In the case of nonmatriculated and visiting students, it is expected that such students will adhere to the academic requirements as set forth by the instructor(s) and stated in the course syllabus.

**Residency Requirement**

Students must complete (1) at least half of the required credits for a degree and (2) all professional course requirements in the respective degree program in residence at MCPHS. In special cases, the school dean may allow transfer credit for professional courses provided the student is able to demonstrate competency in the subject. If a program does not have specified professional courses, then half of all credits must be taken in residence. At least one-half of the courses required for a minor concentration must be completed while in residence at MCPHS. “In residence” is defined as being registered for and enrolled in MCPHS courses, whether the courses are delivered using traditional or distance delivery methods. Colleges of the Fenway courses are credited as MCPHS courses (including the number of credits). An exception to the residency requirement is granted to those who hold licensure in a discipline and are
enrolled in an MCPHS baccalaureate degree completion option. The residency requirement for such students is a minimum of 30 semester credits of MCPHS-approved courses.

**Student Status**

Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)--Boston: Years I through IV are classified undergraduate, and full-time status is a minimum of 12 semester hours; at the point a PharmD student attains fifth-year status, full-time status is a minimum of 9 semester hours.

Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)--Worcester/Manchester: Year I is classified undergraduate, and full-time status is a minimum of 12 semester hours; for Years II and III, full-time status is 9 semester hours.

For all baccalaureate degree programs, students are classified as undergraduates, and full-time status is a minimum of 12 semester hours.

For all master’s, MS, other doctoral, and PhD programs, full-time status is a minimum of 9 semester hours.

**Transcripts**

Copies of official transcripts must be requested in writing and bear the signature of the requesting student. Current students may request transcripts online via WebAdvisor. Transcripts are furnished to designated institutions or authorized agencies only when the student submits a completed transcript authorization form. Transcripts are issued to those students whose financial status with Student Financial Services is clear.

**Transfer Credit**

**Prior to Acceptance**

Courses taken at other regionally accredited colleges or universities in the United States before the student was accepted to the University may receive MCPHS transfer credit provided that a minimum grade of C has been earned. No transfer credit may be awarded for behavioral, basic science, or professional coursework that is more than 10 years old.

**Transfer Policy**

MCPHS does not award transfer credit for remedial or skills courses or other courses that are taught at levels below the first-year level at MCPHS. This includes English courses on sentence and paragraph structure or similar content courses below the level of LIB 111 (Expository Writing I), mathematics courses in arithmetic or algebra if below the level of MAT 141 (Algebra and Trigonometry), and biology and chemistry courses below the level of the MCPHS first-year courses required for the program to which the student seeks entrance.

Transfer courses will not be accepted as fulfillment of the core curriculum requirements in the liberal arts distribution areas if they are taught in the first year of a University curriculum. Liberal arts courses acceptable for transfer credit must have prerequisite requirements and must be taken during the student’s second or subsequent year in a University curriculum.

**Approval of Transfer Credit—Postmatriculation**

Once a student has matriculated at the University, no courses taken off campus will be accepted for transfer credit. (NOTE: Colleges of the Fenway courses are allowed for Boston students.) Exceptions to this policy may be granted by the Associate Dean for Academic Support and Resources in instances involving delay of graduation or extreme hardship.

Prior to taking a course for transfer credit at another institution, students must submit a petition to transfer credit form to the Associate Dean for Academic Support and Resources, who approves or denies the petition. Notification of the decision will be distributed to (a) the Academic Advising Center, (b) the program director, (c) the school dean, (d) the Office of the Registrar, and (e) others as appropriate. The student is responsible for requesting that official transcripts be sent to the Office of the Registrar, which will verify the credit and post a grade of TR in the student’s transcript. Official transcripts must be received no later than the add/drop deadline of the subsequent semester.

**Minimum Transfer Grade**

The minimum grade for receiving transfer credit is C (2.0).

**PHY 270 Foundations of Physics I**

Students who, prior to matriculation at MCPHS, have completed either one semester of calculus-based physics or two semesters of algebra-based physics will receive transfer credit for PHY 270. To be eligible for transfer credit, the courses must have been completed at a college or university and grades of C or better must have been earned in each class. This policy applies only to transfer credit requested for courses taken prior to matriculation at MCPHS.

**Studio Art and Performance Courses**

A maximum of one studio art or performance course may be taken for credit at another institution, including the Colleges of the Fenway. Studio art courses may be accepted for general elective credit only, not for liberal arts distribution credit.
Visiting Classes
A person may visit a class in which he or she is not officially enrolled only with prior consent of the instructor.

Withdrawal

Administrative Withdrawal
Section 1: Administrative Withdrawal
An administrative withdrawal will mean that a student’s preregistration or registration, housing, meal plan, and financial aid for the current semester will be canceled. The student will be unable to register or preregister for any subsequent semester until the administrative withdrawal is resolved.

A student may be administratively withdrawn by the University if any of the following conditions apply:

a. If, after due notice, the student fails to satisfy an overdue financial obligation to the University, consisting of tuition, loans, board, room fees, library charges, or other student charges, including student activities, health insurance, graduation fees, and other such fees as may be established by the University.
b. If the student fails to comply with certain administrative requirements, such as the submission of immunization forms and the like.
c. If the student fails to attend classes during the first two weeks of the semester.
d. If the student participates in forgery, fraud, or falsification of information on any official University form or document, such as registration forms, add/drop form, grade report, recommendations, transcripts, and so on.
e. If the student fails to register for the coming semester.

Section 2: Effects of Administrative Withdrawal
If administratively withdrawn, a student’s record will indicate the withdrawal date and the reason code for administrative withdrawal. All courses for which a student is registered at the time of withdrawal will receive a grade of W until or unless the student is reinstated.

The student shall not be allowed to preregister or register for a future semester. If a student has already preregistered at the time of withdrawal, all preregistration course requests will be canceled.

The student shall receive no further material or notification from the registrar concerning University affairs once administratively withdrawn.

Section 3: Procedures for Implementing Administrative Withdrawal
The registrar will send a letter to a student administratively withdrawn from the University. The recommendation must be based on one of the grounds set forth in Section 1.

The student shall have the right to discuss his or her case with the Dean of Students. The Dean of Students shall review the case and decide whether facts exist that warrant administrative withdrawal under Section 1. If the Dean of Students overturns the administrative withdrawal, he or she will notify the registrar, and the registrar will issue a letter of reinstatement. (See Section 4 for reinstatement date limitations.)

Section 4: Reinstatement
All matters must be resolved by the end of the second week of the current academic term in order for the student to be considered enrolled. If a graduating student is administratively withdrawn, his or her graduation date will be forwarded to the next available graduation date for consideration.

Any student who has been administratively withdrawn may, at any time after the withdrawal, make arrangements with the appropriate office (Student Financial Services, Office of the Registrar, and/or Dean of Students) for resolution of the matter. Any student who has attempted to resolve the matter but has failed to do so may petition for reinstatement by mailing or delivering to the Dean of Students a written statement describing the actions he or she has taken to resolve the matter and the reasons why the student believes himself or herself entitled to reinstatement. The Dean of Students, in his or her discretion, may decide the matter on the written petition of the student and such answer as the registrar may submit, or may schedule a meeting on the matter at the earliest practicable date. If the Dean of Students decides in favor of reinstatement, the registrar shall cause the student to be reinstated forthwith upon receipt of the decision.

If resolution occurs after the final date noted in the withdrawal letter, the student will not be eligible to be reinstated in the current semester but must delay return until the subsequent semester.

In semesters beyond those from which the student was withdrawn, the student must file a readmission application by the stated deadline for enrollment in the next available semester.

Health Leave of Absence Policy
When a student’s current physical or mental health condition precludes successful completion of his or her educational program, the
A student may receive a health leave of absence from the University and University residence hall, upon recommendation of the Dean of Students or designee. Normally, the leave of absence will result from the student’s voluntary efforts. In exceptional circumstances, a student may be asked to leave the University or University residence hall involuntarily.

This policy does not supersede the Student Code of Conduct. Violations of the Student Code of Conduct will be handled through the student disciplinary process as outlined in the MCPHS student handbook.

Voluntary Health Leave of Absence

If the student’s behavior progresses to the point where the student is (a) unable to live independently, (b) unable to protect himself or herself in the community, or (c) unable to perform the essential functions of an educational program without requiring substantial modification of the program, the student is eligible for and may request from the Dean of Students or designee (provided medical / mental health documentation from a licensed provider is presented) a health leave of absence from the University and University residence hall, regardless of the time in the semester. In order to remove the conditions of the leave, the student must present evidence (documented evidence from a medical / mental health licensed provider) that the behavior no longer precludes successful completion of an educational program, and the student may be requested to meet with the Dean of Students. In most cases, at least one academic semester must have passed before readmission under a voluntary health leave of absence may be considered.

If on a leave of absence, a student’s record will indicate the leave date and the reason code for voluntary health leave. All courses for which a student is registered at the time of leave will receive a grade of W, and the refund policy as outlined in the University catalog will be followed. Requests for special consideration regarding the refund policy (e.g., leave date beyond the refund date) may be made to the Dean of Students.

Involuntary Health Leave of Absence

The Dean of Students or designee may issue an involuntary health withdrawal, whether or not the student’s behavior violates the Student Code of Conduct.

An involuntary health leave of absence must involve a strong likelihood of:

a. serious risk of physical harm to the student himself or herself, manifested by evidence of threats of suicide or attempts at suicide or other serious bodily harm;

b. serious risk of physical harm to other persons in the community, including an infectious condition or evidence of homicidal or other violent behavior; and/or

c. reasonable risk of physical impairment or injury to the student himself or herself because of impaired judgment that would not allow the student to live independently or protect himself or herself in the community or not allow the student to perform the essential functions of an educational program without requiring substantial modification of the program.

Process for Involuntary Leave of Absence

Report and Initial Meeting

Upon receiving a report documenting the behavior(s) that indicate why a student should be put on involuntary health leave, the Dean of Students or designee will meet with the student regarding the report.

Suspension Pending Determination

The student may be suspended immediately from the University or University residence hall pending the determination of the involuntary health leave of absence when, on the basis of the information available, the University reasonably believes that the student’s continued presence on campus endangers the physical safety or well-being of himself or herself or others or seriously disrupts the educational process of the University. Either before or as promptly as is feasible, the student will be given the opportunity to be heard and present evidence as to why he or she should not be immediately suspended.

Evaluation

The Dean of Students or designee may inform the student orally or in writing that he or she must participate in a medical or mental health evaluation conducted by one of the following:

a. MCPHS Director of Counseling Services or designee (in the case of psychological disorder)

b. An independent evaluator (licensed social worker, licensed mental health counselor, licensed psychologist [including psychiatrist], or licensed medical doctor) selected by the student at the student’s expense

The student must sign a release of information form authorizing the evaluator to consult with MCPHS staff regarding the evaluation. The evaluation must be completed within 24 hours of the date of written or verbal notice or as soon as reasonable, as determined by the Dean of Students or designee. The Dean of Students or designee may grant an extension for completion.

If the student fails to complete or refuses to participate in an evaluation when referred, he or she may be issued an involuntary health leave of absence.
Determination
Upon completion of the evaluation, the MCPHS staff member who conducts or consults in the evaluation will make a recommendation to the Dean of Students or designee. An opportunity must be provided for the student to discuss the recommendations with the MCPHS staff member who conducted or consulted in the evaluation and with the Dean of Students or designee.

The student will be given the opportunity to be heard and present evidence as to why he or she should not be issued an involuntary health leave of absence. The Dean of Students or designee will make a determination and inform the student in writing.

Effective Date
Once the involuntary health leave of absence is issued, the terms of the leave become effective immediately. A student’s record will indicate the leave date and the reason code for involuntary health leave. All courses for which a student is registered at the time of leave will receive a grade of W, and the refund policy as outlined in the University catalog will be followed. Requests for special consideration regarding the refund policy (e.g., leave date beyond the refund date) may be made to the Dean of Students.

The safety of the student while on campus must be assured. Advance notice of an involuntary health leave is recommended only when the safety of the student while on campus is assured. In the case of emergencies, no advance notice may be possible.

Appeal
A student who has been issued an involuntary health leave of absence may appeal the decision to the Vice President for Academic Affairs in writing within five business days of receiving the decision. The student’s reasons for the appeal and the desired resolution must be indicated in the letter. The Vice President for Academic Affairs will consider the case within five business days of the request for an appeal. The decision of the Vice President for Academic Affairs is final and will be communicated to the student in writing.

Return after Leave of Absence
In order to remove the conditions of the leave of absence, the student must present medical documentation that the behavior no longer precludes successful completion of an educational program. The student also must participate in an evaluation conducted by University staff, by an established deadline, and write a letter to the Dean of Students or designee detailing the student’s readiness to return to the University. In most cases, at least one academic semester must have passed before readmission under an involuntary health leave may be considered.

Deviations from Established Policies
Reasonable deviations from this policy will not invalidate a decision or proceeding unless significant prejudice to a student may result.

Withdrawal from a Course
Students may withdraw from a course through the end of the 10th week of the fall or spring semester with the exception of summer session (in these courses, withdrawal must be by the end of the 3rd week). No refunds are given after the end of the official add/drop period. After the official add/drop period, students who choose to withdraw receive a grade of W for the course. The withdrawal slip must be signed by the student’s advisor. Every registered student who remains in a course is given a grade. Simply failing to attend classes does not constitute withdrawal.

Withdrawal from the University
A student must complete an exit interview with the Associate Dean for the Academic Resource Center or designee (Boston) or Assistant Dean for Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester) prior to withdrawing from the University. The student also must complete a withdrawal form, which calls for the signatures of the Associate Dean for the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or designee or Assistant Dean for Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester), and Student Financial Services. Failure to complete the withdrawal process results in automatic failure in all courses in which the student is currently enrolled and forfeiture of any prorated tuition refund.

Withdrawn students are not eligible for University services.
General Education Requirements

Preprofessional, general education, and liberal arts distribution requirements for all baccalaureate and first professional degree programs are summarized below. Course sequences for the preprofessional and professional curriculum in a particular degree program may be found in the specific sections pertaining to each of the University’s schools and divisions.

Placement in Mathematics Courses

Students are placed in mathematics courses based on their SATs and degree programs. Any changes in assigned mathematics courses must be discussed and approved by the coordinator of mathematics in the School of Arts and Sciences during the add/drop period at the beginning of the fall semester.

Oral Proficiency Requirement—Boston

All students who enter the University in any bachelor of science or first professional degree program must, as a requirement for graduation, demonstrate oral proficiency by passing an examination designed and evaluated by faculty. The oral proficiency exam (OPE) is administered prior to the student’s first semester at the University. Students whose oral exam results do not meet University standards must take LIB 253 (Oral Communication in Health Care) within the first year of matriculation. This course carries liberal arts or general elective credit (but not humanities credit). Students who fail the OPE or who fail to take the OPE during their first semester at the University are automatically registered in LIB 253.

Writing Proficiency Requirement—Boston

Students who enter the University without credit for LIB 111 (primarily first-year students) will be placed in a skills-building course, LIB 110 (Introduction to Academic Reading and Writing) or in LIB 111 (Expository Writing I). To meet the writing proficiency (WP) requirement, these students must complete either the LIB 110, LIB 111, LIB 112 sequence or the LIB 111, LIB 112 sequence, and they must continue to meet WP standards as these are monitored across the curriculum. Students placed in LIB 110 will earn liberal arts or general elective credit.

All students who have entered the University in any bachelor of science or first professional degree program and have credit for LIB 111 and LIB 112 (primarily transfer students) must meet WP standards as these are monitored across the curriculum.

To ensure all students achieve and maintain WP, the School of Arts and Sciences has developed guidelines for writing-intensive (WI) courses and a system for WP referrals. In addition, faculty are encouraged to incorporate writing emphases in their classes wherever possible.

In the School of Arts and Sciences, LIB 110, LIB 111, LIB 112, and all HUM courses are designated as WI. Faculty in other disciplines may offer WI courses if they meet the following criteria:

- The amount of required writing should be significant, approximately 3,750–5,000 words (15–20 pages) of graded writing. The total words/pages should be divided among two or more assignments, and at least one assignment should include a draft that students revise with instructor feedback. A single term paper / project is an option, but the project should include several smaller assignments (e.g., a project proposal, followed by a literature review or annotated bibliography, a completed draft, and a revised final project).
- Faculty should devote class time to instruction on writing practices in their disciplines (e.g., abstracts, writing style, citation conventions, and formats) and on strategies for successful completion of assignments; they should provide detailed writing assignment instructions and evaluation criteria.
- Faculty teaching WI courses should set aside a portion of the course grade (minimum of 40 percent) to be based on writing assignments (this is not grading for writing skills per se but for writing assignments that include demonstration of content learning).
- WI courses should have enrollments capped at 30 or fewer students.
- WI course faculty across the curriculum should employ shared proficiency and grading rubrics when assessing students’ WP or evaluating writing assignments.

To continually reinforce WP standards, faculty across the curriculum use a shared WP rubric to identify students who appear to need additional skills development to meet WP standards. These students are referred to the University Writing Center, where the staff makes proficiency determinations. Based on individual situations, students may be assigned to writing tutors or workshops to address specific writing problems. Failure to complete an assigned workshop or activity could result in a grading penalty or an incomplete grade in the referring course (based on syllabus requirements).

The intent of the WP referral system is to integrate writing expectations, instruction, and development in disciplinary/professional contexts that build on foundations established in the general education curriculum.
OPE Exemption

Students are exempt from the OPE requirement only if they are matriculated in a program that requires a baccalaureate degree as a condition of admission, or if they are in a certificate program.

Information Literacy Requirements (Library Modules)

As a requirement for graduation, students must demonstrate basic proficiency in the use of information resources by passing a series of instructional modules. The three library modules (INF 101, 102, and 103) are designed and evaluated by library faculty. INF 101, 102, and 103 must be completed in the student’s first semester at MCPHS; most students will complete these modules as part of First Year Seminar. Students who do not take First Year Seminar will fulfill these requirements as independent study. These requirements must be met before a student can register for courses beyond the student’s first two semesters at MCPHS. Librarians at each campus or the Library link on my.mcphs.edu can help students determine specific program requirements.

Exemptions from General Education Requirements—Boston

Students enrolled in a certificate program or in a degree program for which a baccalaureate degree is an admission requirement are exempted from the core curriculum, oral and writing proficiency, and library module requirements. Students in the 30-month Physician Assistant Studies program (Boston) are an exception in that they are required to complete the library module requirement though they are exempt from the core curriculum and oral and writing proficiency.

Exemptions from General Education Requirements—Worcester/Manchester

Students enrolled in degree programs on the Worcester and Manchester campuses are exempt from general education requirements, provided they have completed a baccalaureate degree at an accredited institution of higher education in the United States. (Applicants must still fulfill all prerequisite courses required for admission to their degree program.)

Medical Terminology Requirement

Competency in medical terminology is required of students in certain degree programs. Students usually meet this competency within their programs. A medical terminology course taken off campus is not awarded general elective credit in any program. All School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics students in accelerated baccalaureate programs are required to pass (with a grade of C or higher) RSC 110 Medical Terminology for the Radiologic Sciences prior to progression into their first clinical internship course (NMT 330C or MRI 402 or RAD 201C or RTT 201C).

Students who are unsuccessful in their first attempt to pass RSC 110 may be delayed in progression in their curriculum while repeating the course. Note that students are allowed only two attempts to successfully complete a course. Failure to successfully achieve a grade of C or higher in the second attempt of RSC 110, therefore, will result in dismissal from the School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics program.

Medical terminology is a prerequisite for admission to all postbaccalaureate School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics programs, effective summer and fall 2010.

First Year Seminar

All students entering the University as first-year students must take a 1-semester-hour First Year Seminar during the fall semester. The seminar is designed to ease the transition from high school to college by orienting students to MCPHS resources, career opportunities, and the academic skills needed for classroom success. (Transfer students are exempt from this requirement.)

Arts and Sciences Core Curriculum

All bachelor of science and first professional degree programs at MCPHS must incorporate the Arts and Sciences core curriculum through curriculum components that are equivalent to the following minimum standards.

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<td>Mathematics, physics, and computer science</td>
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<td>Statistics</td>
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<td>Liberal arts (27 semester hours)</td>
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Preamble: The Arts and Sciences Core Curriculum and General Education

In addition to education in the various Arts and Sciences disciplines and preparatory work in areas prerequisite to the curricula of the professional programs, the Arts and Sciences core curriculum promotes an integrated education. Integration facilitates liberal learning in the professional curricula through emphasis on six general ability-based outcomes: critical thinking and decision making, social interaction and citizenship, self-awareness and social responsibility, lifelong learning, communication, and value-based action. Allocation of space for distribution electives, along with the presence of required courses in interpersonal communication and healthcare ethics during the advanced and professional years, affirms the faculty’s commitment to education of the whole person.

Life Sciences

The life sciences introduce students to fundamental biological principles that are necessary to their future studies as healthcare professionals. Courses such as Cell and Molecular Biology and Biology of Organisms establish the foundations for understanding the cellular, biochemical, immunological, and microbial mechanisms that form the bases of more advanced studies, such as microbiology, physiology, pathophysiology, and pharmaceutical biotechnology. The life sciences component of the core curriculum is designed to provide students with a breadth of basic knowledge and practice in applying that knowledge to solve complex problems. Emphasis on active learning strategies in both didactic and laboratory assignments prepares students for the independent and advanced learning required by all degree programs at the University.

Chemistry

Chemistry introduces students to the composition, structure, and properties of substances and is fundamental to an understanding of the physical world. By gaining knowledge of the particulate nature of matter, students learn an explanatory paradigm that supports the biological and pharmaceutical sciences and illuminates the history of science and technology. Since the atomic world is not directly observable, the discipline of chemistry cultivates formal reasoning skills, such as drawing inferences from observations. By approaching knowledge through a constructivist perspective, chemistry complements the liberal arts and develops an appreciation for open-minded and dynamic learning.

Mathematics, Physics, and Computer Science

Mathematics is the basic language of the sciences. The process of learning mathematics helps develop logical and rational habits of reasoning and acclimates students to the operation of formal systems. Physics helps students implement active learning strategies in the analysis and solution of complex problems requiring the integration of symbolic, mathematical reasoning with verbal and visual thinking skills. Laboratories cast the student in the role of researcher and emphasize the importance of careful procedure and observation in the collection and analysis of experimental data. A sound understanding of calculus and the calculus-based concepts and principles of mechanics provides a necessary foundation for advanced study in chemistry and the biomedical and pharmaceutical sciences. Computers and communication technologies have become integral aspects of scientific learning and professional practice. Computer science courses provide knowledge of critical software applications, hardware components, and Internet resources. They foster the creative organization and presentation of information, enhance problem-solving and data management skills, and develop abilities to track and use new information pertinent to professional learning and practice.

Statistics

Statistics is a core course because it provides the tools needed to accurately assess statistical analyses that are reported in both the mass media and scholarly publications. The ability to effectively interpret numerical and graphical statistics is necessary for advanced study in the health professions, and it is essential that healthcare professionals demonstrate knowledge of the statistical terminology and methodologies found in the biomedical and professional literature. The formal study of statistics complements the sciences because it also requires that students learn to formulate and test hypotheses and draw appropriate conclusions.

Health Care Ethics

Ethics is a necessary component of any professional education. Health care ethics prepares students to identify the salient ethical issues that arise in contemporary healthcare practice (including biomedical and behavioral research). Formal instruction puts these contemporary issues in broader context by introducing students to the historical quest for a coherent and comprehensive normative ethical theory to guide personal and professional conduct. It also reviews and evaluates the strengths and limitations of competing normative ethical theories and engages students in theoretical discussion and analysis of problematic case studies. This core component forms one of the crucial general ability-based outcomes in professional education: the responsible use of values and ethical principles.
Communication

Interpersonal communication is also a necessary core component in the education of health professionals. Communication studies provide a theoretical model for understanding the two-way nature of communication and the various factors that influence the transmission and exchange of information and the development of interpersonal relationships, including patient-provider relationships. Communication studies help students assess their communication competencies, improve their ability to work with colleagues, and adapt to new social environments. Students learn listening and public speaking skills, assertiveness strategies, and ways of demonstrating empathy. Enhanced self-awareness and self-esteem contribute to professional development and lifelong learning.

Composition

Expository writing develops the ability to write clearly, concisely, and precisely. The use of writing as a tool for learning increases academic performance across the curriculum and promotes student-centered learning. Writing from sources teaches summary, synthesis, and criticism skills that are basic to all disciplines. Expository writing also develops research skills, including the use of library and online resources, location and evaluation of source materials, thesis formulation and development, and referencing and citation techniques. Attention to works of prose fiction, drama, and poetry, and student-centered exploration of moods and meanings in expressive media provide the foundation for humanistic, literary, and aesthetic analysis.

Introduction to the Behavioral Sciences

A foundational course in the behavioral sciences teaches students how internal factors (e.g., personality and motives) and external factors (e.g., social pressures) combine to affect behavior. Students learn to appreciate the manner in which human behavior can be studied systematically and scientifically. They also come to understand the differences between “normal” and “abnormal” behavior and how difficult it can be to distinguish these. Students learn that some of their assumptions about humans are misconceptions and stereotypes, and they learn to apply the concepts, theories, and principles of psychology and/or sociology to develop a better understanding of themselves and those around them.

Introduction to the Social Sciences

A foundational, interdisciplinary course in the social sciences teaches students the value of historical perspective as well as terms and concepts basic to disciplinary study in the social sciences (e.g., culture, class, ethnicity, race, gender, and social construction). Students survey historical patterns of immigration and social transformation, study themes related to the emergence of American culture and identity, and explore various forces and factors that contribute to the formation of both individual and collective identities. Students are introduced to the analysis and use of historical documents, secondary sources, and visual media. Students learn how to locate contemporary issues in historical, social, economic, and political frameworks; to identify individual, social, and cultural differences; and to express sensitivity and tolerance within a culturally diverse society.

Humanities

Humanities distribution electives include courses in advanced foreign languages, aesthetics, literature, philosophy, and religious studies. All humanities courses are writing intensive and build on prerequisite composition courses. They develop critical reading and reasoning skills and foster esthetic, moral, and humanistic inquiry. Essay assignments emphasize analytical, synthetic, interpretive, thematic, and/or argumentative writing.

Minor Concentration Requirements

For those students in Arts and Sciences, Health Sciences, or School of Pharmacy–Boston who desire further study in specialty areas, minor concentrations are available in American Studies, Biology, Chemistry, Health Care Humanities, Health Psychology, Performing Arts, Premedical Studies, and Public Health.

Requirements for completion of some minor concentrations vary for students in the Premedical and Health Studies degree program. They declare minors by completing a program-specific declaration of minor concentration form, and they must fulfill the minor requirements defined for their program.

American Studies

Coordinators: Dr. Jennifer L. Tebbe and Dr. David E. Tanner

The American Studies minor is designed to offer students an opportunity to coordinate liberal arts electives in several disciplines—behavioral sciences, literature, history, and social and political sciences—to form a coherent body of knowledge in the study of American culture.

Required Courses

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**Elective Courses**

Three courses selected from the following list for a total of 9 semester hours:

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* If not taken for the required course

TOTAL semester hours for minor: 15

**Biology**

Coordinator: Dr. Joseph DeMasi

The Biology minor provides an opportunity for additional and advanced-level study in the biological sciences. The minor will prepare students for postgraduate study in biological and medical sciences, and will provide an optional Biology concentration.

**Required Courses**

Four advanced-level courses from the following list that are not required for the student’s degree:

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**Chemistry**

Coordinator: Dr. Alfred R. Garafalo

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TOTAL 14

**Health Care Humanities**

Coordinator: Dr. David E. Tanner

The Health Care Humanities minor provides a coordinated curriculum of study that emphasizes the relevance of humanistic perspectives to illness experiences and the healthcare professions. Students must earn a minimum of 15 semester hours.
**Required Courses**

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**Elective Courses**

Three courses from the following lists, including at least one HUM and one SSC course:

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**Health Psychology**

*Coordinator: Dr. Stacie Spencer*

The Health Psychology minor is designed to offer students a solid foundation in the theories, approaches, and methods of psychology as they relate to healthcare and to provide preparation for careers in such areas as health promotion, mental health pharmacy, psychiatric nursing, and social services delivery. Students must earn a minimum of 15 semester hours.

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**Elective Courses**

Three additional BEH courses with at least one basic (traditional areas not directly associated with health issues) and one applied (courses that have a specific health-related focus) course. Lists of basic and applied courses may be found on the MCPHS website and at the Academic Resource Center, and will be provided to students when they are accepted into the minor.

**Performing Arts (Colleges of the Fenway)**

The Colleges of the Fenway minor in Performing Arts integrates performing experiences with classroom study of the performing arts: dance, music, theater, and performance art. The minor includes study, observation, and practice of the performing arts. It consists of Introduction to Performing Arts; three discipline-specific courses (dance, music, and theater); and one upper-level course, as well as three semesters of an approved performance ensemble.

**Requirements**

A. Four academic courses as follows:
   - Introduction to the Performing Arts
   - Three courses, one each in music, dance, and theater

B. One upper-level elective course

C. Three semesters of participation in an approved cocurricular (noncredit) performing arts activity from the following list:
   - COF Orchestra
COF Chorus
COF Dance Project
COF Theater Project
Emmanuel Theater Guild
Simmons Chorale
Wheelock Family Theater

Information on available performing arts courses, the performance ensembles, and completion of the minor is available from Associate Dean Roger Denome, MCPHS advisor for the Minor in Performing Arts, in the School of Arts and Sciences; and Raymond Fahrner, Director, Office of Performing Arts, Colleges of the Fenway (Tel.: 617.521.2075).

Premedical
MCPHS offers a solid preparation for entrance into medical, dental, optometry, podiatry, or veterinary schools. Majors in Chemistry and Pharmacology/Toxicology follow a curriculum that meets or exceeds the minimum requirements of most medical schools. Majors in Medical and Molecular Biology, Health Psychology, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Pharmacy, and Public Health may choose electives that also fulfill premedical requirements.

Medical schools vary in their recommendations beyond the minimum requirements. Students who choose the Premedical minor may tailor their preparation for specific medical schools by selecting appropriate electives. Opportunities also are available for excellent students to do research in a laboratory or clinical setting, thereby improving their skills and helping the chance of admission to a medical school.

Students who are interested in applying to medical, dental, optometry, podiatry, or veterinary schools should obtain and complete a declaration of minor concentration form no later than the fall of the second year. Forms are available from the BS in Premedical and Health Studies program director in the School of Arts and Sciences and the Advising Center.

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* MAT 171 and 172 and PHY 280 and 284 may be substituted for these courses.

** Students may complete BIO 360 Cellular Biochemistry (4) in place of PSB 331/332.

Elective Courses

In addition to required courses, students seeking to earn a Premedical minor must complete three electives from the following list. The three electives must have three different prefixes.

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Public Health
Coordinator: Dr. Keri J. Griffin

The Public Health minor provides a coherent curriculum in the foundational areas of public health: the population health perspective, biostatistics, and epidemiology. Students choose additional studies in public health areas of their interest (e.g., health promotion, community health, medical anthropology, health policy, or environmental health). The minor provides a complementary area of study for majors in Health Psychology, Medical and Molecular Biology, and Premedical and Health Studies. It is available to other programs with general elective options.

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**Elective Courses**

One elective from the following list:

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Delia Castro Anderson, PhD, Professor, Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education and Dean
Roger M. Denome, PhD, Associate Professor and Associate Dean
Professors Garafalo, Ginsburg, Harvan, Richman, Tebbe-Grossman; Associate Professors Barden, Bodwell, Chang, Dacey, DeMasi, Farkas, L. Foye (Emerita), Gorman, Hart, Ho, Kelley, Longino, Luca, Nelson, Parkhurst, Spencer, Tanner, Tattonisc; Assistant Professors Barden, Chase, L. Chen, M. Gardner, Griffin, Guerrera, Hart, Heising, Kentner, Petersen, Wojiski, Xie; Instructors Broadbelt, Grobman, Habershaw, Johnson, Shifley; Faculty Associates Abdelal, Bouchard, F. Chen, DePierro, Dhimitri, Grandy, Guerrera, Holloway, Jana, Peden, Poulos, Van Dellen, Waldman, Wilson

Degree Programs
• BS in Chemistry / MS in Pharmaceutical Chemistry
• BS in Health Psychology
• BS in Health Sciences
• BS in Health Sciences Degree Completion (traditional and online)
• BS in Medical and Molecular Biology
• BS in Premedical and Health Studies
• BS in Public Health

Technical Standards for the School of Arts and Sciences*
The School of Arts and Sciences has specified the following nonacademic criteria ("technical standards"), which all students are expected to meet, with or without reasonable accommodation, in order to participate in the educational programs of the school.

Observation
Students must be able to carry out procedures involved in the learning process that are fundamental to the courses offered at the University. Students are expected to actively participate in all demonstrations / laboratory exercises in the basic sciences, and to learn and function in a wide variety of didactic settings in science, humanities, and social and behavioral sciences courses. Such observation and information acquisition requires the functional use of visual, auditory, and somatic sensation. Students must have sufficient vision to be able to observe demonstrations, experiments, and laboratory exercises in the sciences, including computer-assisted instruction. They must be able to view images via a microscope.

Communication
Students must be able to communicate effectively in English with faculty, students, administrators, and peers in settings where communication is typically oral or written. They should be able to speak, hear, and observe in order to be effectively involved in the didactic learning process. They are expected to acquire, assimilate, interpret, integrate, and apply information from direct observation, oral communication, written messages, films, slides, microscope, and other media.

Motor and Sensory
Students must possess sufficient motor function, fine motor skills, and sensory skills to perform the requirements identified in their respective professional career tract. They should possess sufficient motor function to execute the necessary movements to participate in the laboratory portion of the science courses. Such actions require coordination of both gross and fine muscular movements, equilibrium, and functional use of the senses of touch and vision.

* These technical standards were adapted from Report of the Special Advisory Panel on Technical Standards for Medical School Admission, American Association of Medical Colleges, 2008 (www.samuelmerritt.edu/medicine/technical_standards).

Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Chemistry
The BS in Chemistry / MS in Pharmaceutical Chemistry program is designed for students who are interested in a career in chemistry. It allows students to obtain a master’s degree in five years instead of the six to seven years that it would take to complete two degrees separately. Additionally, this program is designed to take advantage of the University’s strengths in the pharmaceutical sciences. Students will obtain experience in biotechnology techniques and will learn the principles of drug design and mechanism of action. The BS/MS includes both a research project and an internship, ensuring that graduates will be prepared to work in industry or pursue a PhD.

The required courses for the BS degree will be completed in the fall of the fourth year. A student who decides to pursue the BS degree
alone must take additional elective credits in the spring of the fourth year to complete the 127 total semester hours required for the BS. Students continuing in the BS/MS program complete the entire curriculum as outlined. They must be enrolled for one summer in order to complete the research project.

To remain in good academic standing in the BS in Chemistry program, students must maintain a cumulative 2.0 grade point average (GPA). To progress into the MS phase, students must apply at the end of their third year, successfully complete an interview, and have an overall GPA of 3.0, as well as a 3.0 or better GPA in all BIO, CHE/CHM, MAT, and PHY courses. Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA to remain in good academic standing in the MS program. To meet the residency requirement for the BS, students must complete at least 64 semester hours at the University. All fourth- and fifth-year requirements for the MS degree must be completed at the University.

Curriculum: BS in Chemistry / MS in Pharmaceutical Chemistry

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* Students completing the BS degree alone take two advanced electives in the spring semester but do not register for research or seminar credits. CHE 810 Heterocyclic Chemistry (2 semester hours), PSB 820 Advanced Medicinal Chemistry I (3 semester hours), or PSB 851 Bio-organic Chemistry (2 semester hours) may be taken by BS students only with permission of the instructor.

Total credits to complete BS degree requirements: 124 semester hours

### Year IV—spring* (MS degree)

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* Students continuing with the MS curriculum register for research, seminar, and one advanced elective. Recommended MS electives are PSB 820 Advanced Medicinal Chemistry I (3 semester hours) or PSB 851 Bio-organic Chemistry (2 semester hours).

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Bachelor of Science in Health Psychology

The role of behavioral factors in health promotion, disease prevention, treatment of illness, and health policy has become one of the most interesting and fast-developing topics in the arena of healthcare. In response to this, the four-year Bachelor of Science in Health Psychology program was developed.

The Health Psychology major allows students the flexibility to prepare for bachelor-level careers in patient care, healthcare research, management, or administration, or for further study in psychology, medicine, public health, or social work. In fact, with the growing emphasis medical school admission committees have placed on broad humanities undergraduate preparation, this program could serve as an ideal premedical track.

One of only a few in the country, the MCPHS Health Psychology major produces graduates with a range of knowledge in psychology, a strong preparation in the basic sciences and liberal arts, and an informed sense of healthcare issues from other fields such as sociology, law, ethics, literature, history, and healthcare administration. Students receive training in research, methods, and statistics. In their senior year, Health Psychology majors apply their knowledge and receive practical experience through individually tailored internships in a setting such as a stress reduction, pain management, or elder care center in order to apply their knowledge and receive practical experience.

To remain in good academic standing, students must maintain a cumulative 2.0 grade point average (GPA). To meet the residency requirement for the BS in Health Psychology degree, students must complete at least 62 semester hours at the University.

Curriculum: BS in Health Psychology

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* After consultation with the program director, students may substitute BIO 110 and 210 (Anatomy and Physiology I and II) for BIO 151 and 152.

** Students in the Health Psychology major who choose to pursue a Premedical minor may substitute CHE 131 Chemical Principles I for CHE 110 and replace LIB 120 with MAT 151 Calculus I in the first semester. Additional curriculum changes should be reviewed with the program director and Academic Resource Center advisor.
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Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences

This degree program is designed with four options: (1) an entry-level option for students who wish to prepare for a postbaccalaureate degree in an allied health profession or in a healthcare-oriented management, policy, or public health field; (2) a degree completion option for allied health workers seeking career progression who earned an associate degree or certificate and who possess current registration, certification, or licensure in an allied health discipline; (3) an online degree completion option, for allied health workers seeking career progression who earned an associate degree or certificate and who possess current registration, certification, or licensure in an allied health discipline; and (4) an online degree completion option for students with an associate degree not in an allied health profession.

Please note that this program is not intended for those interested in dentistry, medicine, occupational therapy, optometry, osteopathy, physical therapy, physician assistant studies, or veterinary careers. Students interested in these disciplines are advised to enroll in the MCPHS Bachelor of Science in Premedical and Health Studies program, which is designed to prepare individuals for entry into these disciplines. This program also is not intended for those interested in pharmacy.

Baccalaureate Degree Entry-Level Option

This option is designed for campus-based students who are undecided about which allied health discipline to pursue. It is primarily intended to lead to second baccalaureate or advanced first professional degree programs, or to graduate education in a management, policy, or public health field. However, it also could be used as a terminal degree for employment in health sciences areas such as medical and dental products sales, patient education, and research. Students must complete the MCPHS Arts and Sciences course requirements, First Year Seminar requirement, Health Sciences core, Health Sciences major, and Health Sciences concentration. The curriculum is flexible, allowing students to build, with the program advisor, schedules of study that are full time (three-year accelerated or four-year traditional) or part time.

1. Arts and Sciences Courses

Students must complete the following courses at MCPHS or receive transfer credit for equivalent courses (higher-level science and mathematics courses may be substituted with approval of the program advisor):

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2. Health Sciences Core***

Students must successfully complete 12 credits in the Health Sciences core.

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<td>Research Analysis and Methods</td>
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**Total** 12 credits

***HSC 3010 and HSC 4010, respectively, fulfill behavioral sciences and social sciences requirements in the Arts and Sciences core curriculum described in the University catalog.

3. Health Sciences Major

Entry-level students must complete a 39-semester-hour Health Sciences major. The major consists of 20 to 24 required credits and an additional 15 to 19 elective credits selected from a list of specified courses. (Degree completion students with an associate degree or certification in an allied health science profession do not complete the Health Sciences major.)

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**Total** 20–24 credits

****Students interested in a postbaccalaureate diagnostic medical sonography, nuclear medicine technology, radiation therapy, or radiography degree must take PHY 181; those interested in a magnetic resonance imaging degree must take PHY 270/272L. Students interested in a postbaccalaureate dental hygiene or nursing degree do not have a required physics course.

**Elective Component (choose 15–19 credits from this list)**

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### 4. Health Sciences Concentration

Entry-level students choose from among the following concentration options. The concentration will comprise a minimum of 18 credits.

#### General Concentration (online)

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#### General, Management, and Education Concentration Online Electives (when not required for the concentration)

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5. General Electives
Students complete between 9 and 18 semester hours of general electives to reach the minimum 122-semester-hour total required for the degree.

Minimum number of credits to complete degree requirements: 122 semester hours
Arts and Sciences (34–43), First Year Seminar (1), Health Sciences core (12), Health Sciences major (39), Health Sciences concentration (18), and general electives (9–18)

Health Sciences Baccalaureate Degree Completion Option
This option is open to allied health personnel who hold a certificate or associate degree from an accredited program and active registration, certification, or licensure in their health discipline. Upon admission, students will be awarded credit for the prior allied health professional coursework completed in their certificate or associate degree up to a maximum of 40 semester credits. For those students who completed a certificate for which academic credit was not awarded (e.g., a hospital-based program), credit will be awarded if the certificate program was accredited by the appropriate allied health program accrediting agency and if the quality of the program has additionally been validated by the applicant’s successful registration, certification, or licensure. Students must complete the MCPHS Arts and Sciences course requirements, the Health Sciences core, and a Health Sciences concentration. The curriculum is flexible, allowing students to build, with the program advisor, schedules that are full time or part time. Transfer students must complete the Health Sciences core and Health Sciences concentration through MCPHS but may transfer up to a maximum of 92 semester hours in the other curriculum areas (including 40 for prior professional coursework).

1. Prior Degree or Certificate
Up to 40 credits will be awarded to students for professional coursework completed through an associate degree or certificate in an allied health discipline through a programatically or regionally accredited institution.

2. Arts and Sciences Courses
The designated Arts and Sciences courses (34–43 semester credits) must be met. Courses already completed that are deemed equivalent to these courses will be accepted as transfer credits. The remaining requirements beyond those transferred during the admission process may be completed at MCPHS or at other colleges or universities. For specific course requirements, refer to the corresponding section above under the entry-level option. NOTE: First Year Seminar is not required for this option.

3. Health Sciences Core
For specific course requirements, refer to the corresponding section in the entry-level option.

4. Health Sciences Concentration
In addition to the concentrations described in the corresponding section in the entry-level option, dental hygienists may consider an Oral Health concentration.

5. General Electives
Students complete between 9 and 18 semester hours of general electives to reach the minimum 122-semester-hour total required for the degree.

Oral Health Concentration (Online or Blended)
Dental hygiene associate degree students who are interested in an in-depth study of oral health and/or interested in graduate study in oral health should consider this concentration. Students considering continuation into the Master of Science Dental Hygiene degree program are given the opportunity to complete DHY 701, the first course required in this graduate program.

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Health Sciences Baccalaureate Degree Completion Online Option  
(for Allied Health Professionals)

This option is open to allied health personnel who hold a certificate or associate degree from an accredited program and active registration, certification, or licensure in their health discipline. Upon admission, students will be awarded credit for the prior allied health professional coursework completed in their certificate or associate degree up to a maximum of 40 semester credits. For those students who completed a certificate for which academic credit was not awarded (e.g., a hospital-based program), credit will be awarded if the certificate program was accredited by the appropriate allied health program accrediting agency and if the quality of the program has additionally been validated by the applicant’s successful registration, certification, or licensure. Students must complete the MCPHS Arts and Sciences course requirements, Health Sciences core, and a Health Sciences concentration. The curriculum is flexible, allowing students to build, with the program advisor, schedules that are full time or part time. Only the Health Sciences core and the Health Sciences concentration must be completed through MCPHS. Up to 92 semester hours of transfer credit will be accepted.

1. Prior Degree or Certificate  
Up to 40 credits will be awarded to students for professional coursework completed through an associate degree or certificate in an allied health discipline through a programatically or regionally accredited institution.

2. Arts and Sciences Courses  
The designated Arts and Sciences courses (34–43 semester credits) must be met. Arts and Sciences coursework not available online must be completed prior to matriculation. For specific course requirements, refer to the corresponding section above under the entry-level option. NOTE: First Year Seminar is not required for this option.
Health Sciences Core
For specific course requirements, refer to the corresponding section in the entry-level option. The Health Sciences core must be completed through MCPHS.

Health Sciences Concentration
Online degree completion students may complete the General, Management, or Education concentration described in the entry-level section; in addition, dental hygienists may complete the Oral Health concentration described in the degree completion section above. The Health Sciences concentration must be completed through MCPHS.

General Electives
Students complete between 9 and 18 semester hours of general electives to reach the minimum 122 semester hours required for the degree. General electives are eligible for transfer credit.

Minimum number of credits to complete option requirements: 122 semester hours
Prior allied health program (40), Arts and Sciences courses (34–43), Health Sciences core (12), Health Sciences concentration (18), and general electives (9–18)

Health Sciences Baccalaureate Degree Completion Online Option
This online degree option is open to persons who hold an associate degree in areas other than the allied health professions who seek a BS degree that will prepare them for a postbaccalaureate degree in an allied health profession or in a healthcare-oriented management, policy, or public health field. Upon admission, students will be awarded up to 92 semester hours of credit for courses that fulfill course requirements in the Arts and Sciences and the Health Sciences major, and for general electives. Students must have completed all Arts and Sciences courses not available online prior to matriculation. Students must complete all courses in the Health Sciences core and a Health Sciences concentration through MCPHS. Courses in the Health Sciences major and general electives are eligible for transfer credit or may be taken through MCPHS.

1. Prior Associate Degree or College Credits
Up to 92 credits will be awarded to students for coursework completed for an associate degree or for college credits earned at a regionally accredited institution.

2. Arts and Sciences Courses
The designated Arts and Sciences courses (34–43 semester credits) must be met. Arts and Sciences coursework not available online must be completed prior to matriculation. For specific course requirements, refer to the corresponding section above under the entry-level option. NOTE: First Year Seminar is not required for this option.

3. Health Sciences Core
For specific course requirements, refer to the corresponding section in the entry-level option. The Health Sciences core must be completed through MCPHS.

4. Health Sciences Major
Online degree completion students in this option must complete a 39-semester-hour Health Sciences major. The major consists of 20–24 required credits and an additional 15–19 elective credits selected from a list of specified courses. Course requirements may be met through transfer credit for equivalent courses. (Some courses listed for the Health Sciences major in the entry-level option are not available online.)

5. Health Sciences Concentration
Online degree completion students complete the General, Management, or Education concentration described in the entry-level section. The Health Sciences concentration must be completed through MCPHS.

6. General Electives
Students complete between 10 and 19 semester hours of general electives to reach the minimum of 122 semester hours required for the degree. General electives are eligible for transfer credit.

Minimum number of credits to complete option requirements: 122 semester hours
Prior college credit (up to 92 semester hours of transfer credit), Health Sciences core (12), Health Sciences concentration (18), and remaining courses for the Arts and Sciences requirement, the Health Sciences major, and general electives that are not accounted for through transfer credit necessary to earn the minimum 122 semester hours required for the degree

Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences Academic Policies
The Health Sciences core and the concentration courses may not be transferred from another institution as they serve as the distinguishing elements of the 122-credit program curriculum. Courses may be MCPHS courses delivered using traditional or distance
delivery methods, or approved Colleges of the Fenway courses. The Health Sciences core and concentration courses comprise the 30-credit residency requirement for the three online degree completion options. To meet the MCPHS residency requirement for the on-campus entry-level option, at least one-half (61) of the required credits for the degree must be completed through MCPHS.

To remain in good standing in the BSHS program, regardless of program option, students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.0.

Regardless of program option, a minimum of 122 semester hours is required to complete the degree.

**Bachelor of Science in Medical and Molecular Biology**

The BS in Medical and Molecular Biology is an undergraduate degree that prepares students for a number of employment and postgraduate study opportunities. These include entry-level laboratory positions; postgraduate certificate studies leading to careers in biotechnology, forensic science, and the clinical laboratory sciences; graduate studies in biology leading to careers in research, industry, and education; and application to medical and professional schools.

The curriculum design provides a broad foundation in the sciences and a wide variety of liberal arts courses that are integrated throughout the program. Major requirements in biology include medical microbiology and molecular biology in the second year; cellular biochemistry, genetics, and six biology electives—two medical biology electives, two molecular and cellular biology electives, and two electives from either list—in the third and fourth years. In the fourth year a science communication course provides a synthetic, capstone experience. In addition, students are encouraged to participate in undergraduate research opportunities at the University or in research/clinical laboratories in the local area.

To remain in good academic standing in the BS in Medical and Molecular Biology program, students must maintain a cumulative 2.0 grade point average (GPA) and a 2.0 GPA in BIO and CHE courses. To meet the residency requirement for the BS in Medical and Molecular Biology, students must complete at least 63 semester hours at the University.

**Curriculum: BS in Medical and Molecular Biology**

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**Total credits to complete degree requirements: 126 (127) semester hours**

Students must complete six biology electives: two from the molecular and cellular biology elective list, two from the medical biology elective list, and two more from either list.

**Molecular and Cellular Biology Electives (3 must be chosen from this category):**

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Bachelor of Science in Premedical and Health Studies

The Premedical and Health Studies degree is specifically designed for students seeking undergraduate preparation for chiropractic, dental, medical, occupational therapy, optometry, osteopathic, physical therapy, physician assistant, podiatry, or veterinary school, or who are considering graduate education in nutrition, speech-language pathology, public health, health administration, or other health-oriented programs. The curriculum provides an interdisciplinary health studies major that balances the basic and laboratory sciences with courses in the liberal arts. It prepares exceptionally well-rounded candidates for medical school or for a diversity of postbaccalaureate degree programs. This program also is designed to allow premedical students to easily transition into the MCPHS Master of Physician Assistant Studies, Optometry, and Physical Therapy degree programs.

Premedical majors have the option of choosing one of five minor concentrations: Biology, Chemistry, Health Care Humanities, Health Psychology, or Public Health. These minors develop depth of knowledge in a focal area that complements the interdisciplinary design of the degree program. In addition to preparing students for medical school and the health professions, each minor provides an alternative postgraduate direction. The Biology and Chemistry minors add upper-division didactic and laboratory experiences that could lead to graduate education in the sciences. The Health Psychology minor provides a basis for graduate study in clinical, counseling, or health psychology. The Health Care Humanities minor prepares students for graduate study in this field. In each of its manifestations, the BS in Premedical and Health Studies is a rigorous educational experience for life in the contemporary world. Graduates who do not pursue advanced studies will find themselves well prepared for a variety of employment options in industry, healthcare, research, and education.

To remain in good academic standing, students must maintain a cumulative 2.0 grade point average (GPA). To meet the residency requirement for the BS in Premedical and Health Studies degree, students must complete at least 63 semester hours at the University. Students who are enrolled in other degree programs within the University and who have attained a minimum GPA of 3.0 without failure or repeat courses are eligible to apply for transfer into the PMHS pathway programs. Students should apply following the spring semester of their freshman year.

Curriculum: BS in Premedical and Health Studies

NOTE: Students choosing a minor concentration substitute courses in Years II–IV. The minor concentration courses are listed after the Year IV curriculum. Students pursuing a designated professional pathway also may need to make course substitutions. Students in the pathways or selecting minor concentrations should meet with program mentors when planning course registration during Years II–IV.

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* **PHY 280/284 is meant for students who will be taking professional school entrance exams such as the MCAT, DAT, GRE, or OAT.*

** Advanced biology electives include (BIO174) Immunology; (BIO332) Genetics; (BIO405) Plagues of the Past, Present, and Future; (BIO430) Molecular Biology of Cancer; (BIO455) Advanced Microbiology w/lab; (PSB328/329) Physiology/Pathophysiology I and II; (BIO4XX) Cell Biology; (BIO351/352) Advanced A&P I and II; or approved Colleges of the Fenway upper-level BIO course.

**** Liberal arts elective can be any 3-semester-hour courses in the following areas: BEH, HUM, SSC, language, or communication.

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***** A general elective may be LIB 305 Medical College Preparation Course for 2 semester hours.

**Total credits to complete degree requirements: 123 semester hours**

**Premed major with Biology minor concentration: Total credits 123 (127)**

- **BEH 341 Biological Psychology (3)**
- **BIO 332 Genetics (3)**
- **BIO405 Plagues of the Past, Present, and Future (3)**
- **BIO430 Molecular Biology of Cancer (3)**
- **BIO455 Advanced Microbiology w/lab (4)**

- **BIO 734 Immunology (3)**
- **BIO 332 Genetics (3)**
- **PSB129 Physiology/Pathophysiology I (4)** or **BIO 351 Advanced Anatomy & Physiology I (4)**
- **PSB129 Physiology/Pathophysiology II (4)** or **BIO 352 Advanced Anatomy & Physiology II (4)**
- **PS 440 Molecular Biotechnology (3)**
Premed major with Chemistry minor concentration: Total credits 127

Add CHE 314 Analytical Chemistry (4)
Add INF 210 Survey of the Literature of Chemistry (1)
Replace general elective with CHE 340 Inorganic Chemistry (4) or
Replace general elective with CHE 717 Instrumental Analysis (4)
BIO or CHE advanced elective (300-level course or higher) (3)

Premed major with Health Care Humanities minor concentration: Total credits 124 (123)

HUM 345 Health Care Humanities (3) to fulfill the humanities elective
HUM 456 Literature and Medicine (a BS requirement for fourth-year students; minor requirement if not completing fourth-year courses)

Three courses from the following list (only one may be from the BEH list):
   HUM 355 Science, Technology, and Values (3)
   HUM 452 Women Writers (3)
   SSC 432 Medical Anthropology (3)
   SSC 444 Cigarettes in American Culture (3)
   BEH 254 Death and Dying (3)
   BEH 260 Behavioral Health* (3)
   BEH 405 Mind Body Medicine* (3)
   BEH 454 Stress and Illness* (3)

* These courses may also fulfill a BS requirement.

Premed major with Health Psychology minor concentration: Total credits 123 (124)

Year III—spring: If BEH 250 Health Psychology (3) is chosen to fulfill the behavioral sciences requirement for the major in the fall of Year III, then any additional applied BEH course may be selected to fulfill the minor requirement. If BEH 405 Mind Body Medicine (3) or BEH 260 Behavioral Health (3) is chosen to fulfill the behavioral sciences requirement for the major in the fall of Year III, then BEH 250 must be selected for the minor.

Years III and IV: Replace general electives with BEH 451 Research Methods in Health and Behavior (3), plus any applied BEH course (3) that has a specific health focus, plus any BEH course (3).

Premed major with Public Health minor concentration: Total credits 123

Students must complete the following:
   MAT 461 Biostatistics (3)
   PBH 330 Epidemiology (3)
   BIO 346 Applied Concepts in Public Health (prerequisite: BIO 255) (3)

Any two of the following courses:
   BEH 260 Behavioral Health (3)
   BIO 405 Plagues of the Past, Present, and Future (3)
   HSC 301 Health Promotion (3)
   PBH 340 The Environment and Public Health (3)
   PBH 420 Community Health (3)
   PBH 435 Public Policy and Public Health (3)
   SSC 432 Medical Anthropology (3)
   SSC 444 Cigarettes and American Culture (3)

NOTE: Admission and curriculum requirements for Premedical and Health Studies students interested in professional degree programs from institutions with which MCPHS has affiliations (see Institutional Agreements) are on the website at www.mcphs.edu.

Bachelor of Science in Public Health

The BS in Public Health degree program is an applied liberal arts curriculum that prepares students for postgraduate master’s (MPH) and doctoral (PhD) programs in public health. Students who continue their education in public health at the graduate level typically pursue careers in epidemiology, biostatistics, health promotion, community health, environmental health, biomedical science, or health policy and management. The curriculum prepares students equally well for advanced studies leading to careers in environmental science, public policy, health promotion, healthcare administration, law, and medicine.

The BS in Public Health curriculum builds on general education courses in biology, chemistry, math, and liberal arts as well as required foundational courses in social and behavioral sciences, biostatistics, epidemiology, public policy, and environmental health. In the third
and fourth years, students continue with advanced-level courses in community health, plagues, and public policy; select four public health electives from the biology, behavioral sciences, and social sciences disciplines; engage in experiential and service learning through a field placement; and design an interdisciplinary project in a senior capstone seminar.

Public Health majors have elective openings that permit completion of minor concentrations in Premedical Studies, Biology, Chemistry, Health Care Humanities, or Health Psychology, and they have opportunities for language and international studies through the Colleges of the Fenway, as well as travel courses and study abroad through MCPHS.

To remain in good academic standing, students must maintain a cumulative 2.0 grade point average (GPA). To meet the residency requirement for the BS in Public Health, students must complete at least 62 semester hours at the University.

Curriculum: BS in Public Health

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Students enrolled in the Public Health major should adopt a Premed minor if they wish to consider medical, dental, or physician assistant school after completing the baccalaureate program.

**Substitutions:**
- **Year II:** Students should substitute Organic Chemistry (CHE 231/231L and CHE 232/234L) for general electives (this adds 2 semester hours to the program).
- **Year III:** Students should substitute Foundations of Physics (PHY 280/280L and PHY 284/284L) and Cellular Biochemistry (BIO 360) for general electives (this adds 2 semester hours to the program).

**Bachelor of Science in Public Health / Master of Public Health**

The five-year Bachelor of Science in Public Health and Master of Public Health (BS/MPH) program at MCPHS is a joint program encompassing the requirements of both degrees. Students will have the opportunity to apply for the program in the fall of their third year at MCPHS. Upon acceptance to the program, students will begin their graduate study in the fall of their fourth year with three graduate-level courses. The total number of credits for both degrees is 150 semester hours, 123 being completed to award the BS after the fourth year and 27 in the fifth year to award the MPH. Of the 123 credits in the BS, 15 semester hours in the fourth year are 700-
level MPH courses that count toward the 42 semester hours required for the MPH degree.

**Curriculum: BS in Public Health / Master of Public Health**

The curriculum for Years I and II and the fall semester of Year III is identical to the BS curriculum above. Students accepted into the MPH program will complete the combined curriculum as follows.

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*Total credits to complete combined degree requirements: 150 semester hours*
School of Arts and Sciences Honors Program

The MCPHS School of Arts and Sciences Honors program is available to qualified students majoring in any of the School’s baccalaureate degree programs. The honors program offers

- the opportunity to pursue discipline-specific interests and add a deeper level of inquiry to their studies,
- faculty mentoring in order to foster independent thinking and intellectual curiosity,
- academic challenges beyond those included in usual coursework,
- extra preparation for further study toward postgraduate education and careers, and
- opportunities to produce publication-worthy research.

Honors Program Eligibility

A student should formally apply by January 15 of the second curriculum year. Applications during a student’s third year also will be considered. A student must have a minimum 3.50 grade point average (GPA). The application must include

- a brief essay (approximately 250 words) explaining academic interests and goals, how participation in the honors program will further these goals, and how involvement in the honors program will tie into long-term career goals; and
- a recommendation by a faculty member with whom the student has had significant course- or laboratory-related interaction.

The School of Arts and Sciences Honors Program Committee will determine acceptance into the program based on

- a student’s academic performance in college courses,
- the strength of a student’s application materials, and
- availability of faculty mentors in a student’s area of interest.

The Honors Program Committee will provide interested students a list of faculty willing to supervise honors students and a description of their research interests, as well as a list of courses that may be used to fulfill the honors program requirements.

Honors Program Requirements

Students who successfully complete the honors program will earn an honors designation on their transcripts. Conferral of that designation will occur upon successful completion of at least four honors opportunities, which include

- 300-, 400-, and 500-level courses taught by participating faculty who allow honors students to do extra supervised work to earn an honors designation for the course; and
- 300-, 400-, and 500-level honors-only courses.

The following criteria also apply:

- No more than two of these four opportunities will be an independent study course taken during the student’s final undergraduate year at MCPHS (e.g., a directed study or undergraduate research project course). These courses may be in any discipline and are not meant to duplicate, replace, or extend work done in capstone courses.
- The student must have a minimum 3.50 GPA at the time of graduation.

Additional program information is available from the Office of the Dean of Arts and Sciences.
MCPHS–Boston
Division of Health Sciences

Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene
Linda D. Boyd, RDH, RD, LD, EdD, Professor and Dean
Christine Dominick, CDA, RDH, MOcEd, Professor and Associate Dean
Associate Professor Jenkins; Assistant Professors Chadbourne, Giblin, LaSpina, Rainchuso; Instructors August, Perry, Smathers

School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics
Douglas J. Pisano, Acting Dean
Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program
Associate Professor and Program Chair Fernandez; Assistant Professor and Program Director Prasad; Assistant Professor Yarbrough
Magnetic Resonance Imaging Program
Assistant Professor and Program Director Nugent; Instructor Davies
Nuclear Medicine Technology Program
Associate Professor and Program Director Keech; Instructor Rhymer
Radiation Therapy Program
Associate Professor and Program Director Belinsky; Instructor MacIsaac
Radiography Program
Assistant Professor and Program Director Fanning; Instructor Martone

Degree and Certificate Programs
- Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene
- Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene Degree Completion (Online)
- Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene
- AD to Master of Science in Dental Hygiene Bridge (Online)
- Certificate in Oral Health Professions Education
- Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- Bachelor of Science in Magnetic Resonance Imaging
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- Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Radiation Therapy
- Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Radiography
- Certificates in Advanced Medical Imaging (Computed Tomography, Magnetic Resonance Imaging)
- Master of Science in Dental Hygiene (Online)
- Master of Physician Assistant Studies

Technical Standards for the Division of Health Sciences

Observation
Candidates and students must have sufficient capacity to observe in the lecture hall, laboratory, and diagnostic and treatment areas of outpatient and inpatient settings. Sensory skills to perform the procedures of the healthcare profession in which students are enrolled are required. In any case where a candidate’s or a student’s ability to observe or acquire information through sensory modalities is compromised, the candidate or student must demonstrate alternative means and/or abilities to acquire and demonstrate the essential information conveyed in this fashion.

Communication
Candidates and students must be able to communicate effectively in both academic and healthcare settings. Candidates and students
must show evidence of effective written and oral communication skills and must be able to communicate with patients in order to elicit and impart information.

**Motor**
The ability to participate in basic diagnostic and therapeutic maneuvers and procedures is required. Candidates and students must have sufficient motor function to execute movements reasonably required to properly care for all patients and must be able to perform motor functions with or without assistive devices.

**Intellectual**
Candidates and students must be able to measure, calculate, reason, analyze, and synthesize. Problem solving, one of the critical skills demanded of healthcare professionals, requires all of these intellectual abilities. Candidates and students must be able to read and understand medical literature. In order to complete the specific Health Sciences program, students must be able to demonstrate mastery of these skills and the ability to use them together in a timely fashion in healthcare problem solving and patient care.

**Behavioral and Social Attributes**
Candidates and students must possess the emotional health and stability required for full utilization of their intellectual abilities, the exercise of good judgment, and the prompt completion of all academic and patient care responsibilities. The development of mature, sensitive, and effective relationships with patients and other members of the healthcare team is essential. The ability to function in the face of uncertainties inherent in clinical practice, flexibility, compassion, integrity, motivation, interpersonal skills, and concern for others are all required.

Students interested in dental hygiene or medical imaging and therapeutics (diagnostic medical sonography, magnetic resonance imaging, nuclear medicine technology, radiation therapy, or radiography) are required to read the statements about profession-specific tasks. Please visit the website for more information (www.mcphs.edu).

**Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene**
In July 2002, the Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene (FSDH) became part of MCPHS University. The school was first established in 1916 by the Forsyth brothers and the Forsyth Institute as the second dental hygiene program opened in the United States, and today it is the oldest continuously operating dental hygiene program in the country. Students who attend the school, located on the MCPHS Boston or Worcester campus, receive clinical instruction in the state-of-the-art dental hygiene clinics to enhance delivery of high-quality oral healthcare services to the public.

The FSDH is committed to providing excellence through engagement of students in a diverse learning environment, fostering community partnerships, and advancing knowledge through scholarship and lifelong learning. Forsyth’s degree programs prepare students to be leaders in their professions with career options in dental hygiene education, business, research, public health, administration, and clinical practice. The school embraces a strong sense of responsibility to patients, the community, and the dental hygiene profession as well as to high standards of healthcare ethics.

MCPHS offers dental hygiene students the opportunity to learn in the Dr. Esther M. Wilkins Forsyth Dental Hygiene Clinic in Boston and the Dr. Esther M. Wilkins Forsyth Dental Hygiene Clinic in Worcester. The Boston facility is equipped with 24 operatories and the Worcester facility has 12 operatories with digital radiologic imaging technology, intraoral cameras, ergonomic patient and operator chairs, digital panoramic technology, electronic records, and a dental materials laboratory with magnification and flat-screen monitors.

The FSDH offers an accelerated BS in Dental Hygiene, a Postbaccalaureate BS in Dental Hygiene, a BS Completion in Dental Hygiene, an MS in Dental Hygiene, a bridge program to an MS degree for associate-degree-holding dental hygienists, and a Certificate in Oral Health Professions Education for individuals with an earned baccalaureate degree and work experience in a dental or dental hygiene setting. Each program has unique outcome objectives designed to fulfill the professional objectives or degree requirements associated with the individual academic needs of dental hygiene students.

*See MCPHS Online for a description of the BS in Health Sciences Degree Completion program with a concentration in Oral Health.*

**Clinical Component**
The clinical component of the program is supported by evidence-based information delivered in active learning and seminars. The student learns to assess risk for oral diseases and provide preventive services. In addition, considerable time is spent developing proficiency in dental hygiene procedures for patients of all ages, with a focus on building skills that support specialized care for unique populations. Dental radiology is delivered throughout the clinical portion of the program. The student develops skills necessary for exposing, processing, and interpreting both traditional and digital radiographs. Each student also participates in community-based clinical rotations that enhance on-campus learning experiences. Transportation is not provided to these locations; however, public transportation is available to most extramural sites. As a requirement for graduation and licensure examinations, the student must demonstrate competence by achieving a specified level of performance for each clinical skill and by completing specific patient and
service assignments. The student is ultimately responsible for obtaining the patients needed to fulfill these requirements. The student must fulfill all course requirements and competencies each semester to advance within the program.

**Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene Policies and Professional Requirements**

**Basic Cardiac Life Support**

Each student must be certified in Basic Cardiac Life Support for Healthcare Providers by the American Heart Association prior to beginning the fall semester of the first clinical year. Certification must remain current throughout the program.

**Licensure**

The student who successfully completes the academic and clinical components of the accelerated BS in Dental Hygiene or Postbaccalaureate BS in Dental Hygiene program will be eligible to take licensure examinations. Successful completion of the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination and a state or regional clinical examination are necessary for licensure. MCPHS provides education to students in accordance with the regulations set forth by the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry. MCPHS may not be able to provide the education and/or certification necessary for eligibility for licensure in every state jurisdiction. The student is responsible for determining eligibility requirements for dental hygiene licensure in the jurisdiction in which he or she plans to practice and to obtain any additional education necessary for licensure in that jurisdiction.

**Policy for Reentry and Content Validation after Nonprogression or Leave of Absence**

Students attempting to return from nonprogression in the professional curriculum or leave of absence must be cleared to return to classes by designated staff in the Academic Resource Center and the Office of the Dean of Students (if a medical leave of absence). The Academic Resource Center will notify the Dean of FSDH of the student’s eligibility to return.

Students who are not continuously enrolled in the sequence of undergraduate FSDH professional clinical courses for a period of two semesters or more must validate clinical knowledge and skills before they may reenroll in FSDH professional clinical courses. Validation testing will consist of competency testing to assess clinical and radiography skills related to direct patient care. Program faculty will provide guidance as to what competencies, content, and skills need to be reviewed by the student prior to testing, but it is the student’s responsibility to prepare for the testing. Students must pass validation testing at a minimum competency level of 75% in order to be eligible to reenter the FSDH professional clinical curriculum. Students may also opt to retake DHY209L Pre-clinic and DHY230 Radiology instead of undergoing validation testing.

A student who is unable to pass the validation testing at the 75% level will be given the option of retaking DHY209L Pre-clinic and DHY230 Radiology. If a passing grade is obtained through validation testing or successful completion of DHY 209L and DHY 230, the student may reenter the FSDH program on a space-available basis.

If the student does not pass the validation test and does not reenroll or pass DHY 209L and DHY 230, he or she will be dismissed from the program.

Reentry into the FSDH program is subject to clinical placement availability. (NOTE: There is no guarantee placement will be available at the student’s desired time of return.) This policy applies to all undergraduate dental hygiene programs.

**Progression into Professional Phase of the BS in Dental Hygiene**

The minimum passing grade of C in Anatomy and Physiology (BIO110/BIO210) and an overall cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 are required to progress into the fall of Year II (professional phase) of the program.

Students who achieve the minimum passing grade of C in Anatomy and Physiology (both BIO110 and BIO210) but do not meet the minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 at the end of the Year I summer term may enroll in DHY202 Dental Anatomy and DHY204 Head and Neck Anatomy in the Year II fall semester but may not enroll in other professional courses.

If DHY 202 and 204 are completed with C or better grades and a minimum cumulative and professional GPA of 2.5 are attained, the student may progress into the remaining Year II fall semester professional courses the following fall semester. This will result in a change in the year of graduation.

Students who do not meet the minimum grade and GPA expectations at the end of the first year or after attempting DHY 202 and DHY 204 will be dismissed from the program.

**Dismissal from Program**

Three grades below C in any combination of DHY courses results in dismissal from the program.

**Progression within the Professional Phase of the BS in Dental Hygiene**

To progress within the didactic and clinical phase of the BS in Dental Hygiene program students must achieve a final grade of C or better (≥ 75%). Obtaining a final grade below C in any professional course results in the student’s having to repeat the course. Progression through the program will be delayed (i.e., the student will be on nonprogression status) because professional courses are
offered only once per academic year. A dental hygiene student may be placed on nonprogression status only once during his or her tenure in the Forsyth Dental Hygiene program. A student who receives a second nonprogression status in a subsequent semester will be dismissed from the dental hygiene program.

**Bachelor of Science Program (Accelerated)**

The student who begins the accelerated Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene program is expected to complete the program in three years. To meet the residency requirement for the BS in Dental Hygiene degree, students must complete at least 60 semester hours at the University.

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TOTAL: 15

Total credits to complete degree program: 120 semester hours

Dental Hygiene Program Electives

An overall grade point average and a professional grade point average will be calculated for each student in the Dental Hygiene program. Elective courses and those required for admission into the Dental Hygiene program are excluded when calculating the professional grade point average. All course electives, including program electives, count toward the student’s cumulative grade point average.

The program elective must be a distinct course from the distribution electives; for example, Abnormal Psychology cannot fulfill the behavioral requirement as well as the program elective requirement.

Program Electives for Dental Hygiene

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Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene

A student who holds a baccalaureate degree or higher from an accredited college or university may pursue the accelerated 16-month Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene. The candidate for this program must have completed the prerequisite college courses listed below. An official college/university transcript will be reviewed to determine eligibility for transfer credits. The student in the Postbaccalaureate BS program takes courses in dental hygiene theory and practice, and receives clinical instruction in the Esther M. Wilkins Forsyth Dental Hygiene Clinic (Boston) or the Esther M. Wilkins Forsyth Dental Hygiene Clinic (Worcester). Upon successful completion of the program, the student becomes eligible for dental hygiene licensure examinations.

Prerequisites for the Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science program include the following:

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Preprofessional Core Curriculum Courses

Prior completion of the required preprofessional courses listed below as well as the general electives is preferred. Courses already completed that meet MCPHS transfer credit policies will be accepted for transfer credit. The remaining requirements beyond those transferred during the admission process must be completed at MCPHS unless approved in advance by the Admission Office or, postmatriculation, by the Academic Resource Center.

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**General Electives (6 semester hours)**

The general electives (6 semester hours) may be additional professional electives or other courses (e.g., anatomy and physiology II, basic chemistry II, languages, precalculus) that meet MCPHS transfer credit policies.

**Minimum number of credits to complete Baccalaureate in Dental Hygiene: 120 semester hours**

**Prior dental hygiene program(44), Arts and Sciences core curriculum (40), required professional component (21), professional electives (9), and general electives (6)**

**Admission**

For admission to the program, an applicant must have

- graduated from a dental hygiene program accredited by the ADA Commission on Dental Accreditation,
- earned a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) in dental hygiene program courses,
- completed one year of work experience in healthcare (e.g., as a dental assistant, nurse’s aide, social worker),
- successfully completed the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination,
- obtained a license to practice dental hygiene or eligibility for licensure in at least one jurisdiction in the United States or Canada,
- achieved a minimum score of 79 on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL),
- completed the application for admission, and
- current employment in dental hygiene (recommended but not required).

**Master of Science in Dental Hygiene Degree Program (Online)**

The Master of Science degree offered by the Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene is a part-time, 36-credit-hour, postbaccalaureate, online master’s degree program culminating in a thesis. The program, specifically designed for practicing dental hygienists, uses computer-assisted distance learning and minimal on-campus class meetings.

The purpose of this program is to prepare qualified dental hygiene professionals for careers and leadership roles in state and community-based public health administration, dental professional education, dental industry marketing and product development, research, and public and private health agencies and organizations.

**Program Admission and Degree Requirements**

For admission to the MS in Dental Hygiene program, an applicant must have

- graduated from an accredited dental hygiene program,
- earned a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university or completed the MCPHS Master of Science Degree
Bridge program for associate degree dental hygienists,

- completed one year of work experience in healthcare,*
- achieved a minimum score on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) as detailed in the current MCPHS University catalog,
- completed the application for admission to an online program as described in the current MCPHS University catalog, and
- attended the on-campus Orientation session.

* This requirement may be waived for MCPHS graduates.

The MS in Dental Hygiene degree will be conferred upon the dental hygiene graduate student who has mastered the advanced professional knowledge and who

- successfully completes the 36 semester hours of required courses listed in the program curriculum, including 6 semester hours of thesis study;
- maintains a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 for all courses completed at MCPHS;
- presents and successfully defends an approved thesis to the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee; and
- completes all requirements for the MSDH degree within a period of six years.

Program Objectives and Outcomes

The program will provide students with

- the knowledge, skills, and values for successful participation in community oral health, health professions, higher education, and oral healthcare administration;
- an understanding of population-based health issues needed for a leadership role in dental hygiene practice, education, or community oral health; and
- the background in statistics and research evaluation fundamental for evidence-based decision making, policy formulation, and public health practice.

Program Outcomes

Graduates will be able to

- examine the social, psychological, biologic, behavioral, cultural, and environmental determinants of systemic health and oral health;
- recognize appropriate scientific and analytical methods and interpret research data related to an oral health or public health problem;
- conduct a comprehensive systematic literature search relevant to a specific health issue and critically evaluate evidence gathered;
- use surveillance systems to assess, analyze, monitor, and communicate the overall and oral health status of populations;
- plan, implement, manage, and evaluate programs that improve individual and community oral health;
- apply evidence-based decision making to develop public health policy that protects and promotes the oral health of the public, reduces oral health disparities, or improves access to oral healthcare;
- collaborate with interest groups and individuals on oral health issues and employ advocacy strategies to impact oral health public policy;
- interact sensitively, effectively, and professionally with people of diverse cultures, ethnic groups, socioeconomic backgrounds, and age groups;
- demonstrate ethical standards and values in professional practices and decisions, weighing the effect of decisions on equity, nonmaleficence, beneficence, social justice, and accountability;
- apply basic managerial, administrative, and human relations skills in a team-based organization;
- implement quality assessment and systems tools to improve performance in a health organization; and
- use critical thinking skills and apply evidence-based decision making to produce and present a scholarly paper about issues in community oral health.

The master’s thesis is the final academic experience of the program. Each student will demonstrate attainment of program competencies; apply knowledge, skills, and values acquired in the program to a specific problem or issue; and independently demonstrate mastery and integration of curriculum concepts and methods. The topic, developed with guidance from the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee, will concern an oral health issue. The student will present the study and results to professional colleagues. Acceptable formats for the master’s thesis include grant proposal; research plan or protocol; research report; intervention design or implementation; program plan, implementation, or evaluation; public policy analysis; or secondary data analysis. Subject to committee approval, the thesis may be completed in partnership with a community organization or agency or with a senior investigator.

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**Master of Science in Dental Hygiene Bridge Program for Associate Degree Dental Hygienists (Online)**

The Master of Science Degree Bridge program for associate degree dental hygienists is designed to facilitate progression of the dental hygienist with an associate degree (AD) to graduate study by providing curriculum content not provided in AD programs and awarding credit for general education courses completed.

A dental hygienist accepted into the AD to MS Bridge program may transfer up to 100 semester credit hours previously earned in a dental hygiene program and prerequisite general education courses. Transfer credit will be given only for those courses in which the student earned at least a C grade (2.0). Six courses (18 credit hours) compose the bridge curriculum, covering baccalaureate dental hygiene competencies and preparing the dental hygienist for graduate-level education. A bachelor’s degree will not be awarded upon completion of the bridge curriculum. The student matriculates in the dental hygiene master’s degree program following successful completion of the bridge courses and earning an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.

The program will be offered online to allow participation of practicing dental hygienists and current dental hygiene educators.

**Admission Requirements**

For admission to the program, an applicant must have

- graduated from an associate degree or certificate in dental hygiene program accredited by the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation;
- earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) in dental hygiene program courses;
- completed one year of work experience in healthcare;
- successfully completed the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination;
- obtained a license to practice dental hygiene in at least one jurisdiction in the United States or Canada;
- achieved a minimum score on the TOEFL or IELTS as detailed in the current MCPHS University catalog;
- completed the application for admission to the online program as described in the current MCPHS University catalog; and
- attended all sessions of the on-campus Orientation prior to the beginning of the first program semester.
Program Curriculum

Up to 100 semester credit hours in general education and dental hygiene education courses may be transferred; a minimum grade of C is required for transfer credit.

Each student must have completed a course in pain management (local anesthesia) with lab prior to or before completing the AD to MS Bridge program.

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Graduate Certificate In Oral Health Professions Education (Online)

This certificate program is designed to provide practicing dental professionals holding BS degrees or higher with the opportunity to earn a credential in oral health professions education. The certificate will provide them education courses supplementing their knowledge of dental hygiene, dental assisting, and dental education, and preparing them to teach courses in a variety of educational settings.

A minimum grade of B and a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 are required.
Medical imaging and therapeutics is an academic discipline that forms the foundation for the medical specialties of diagnostic and therapeutic radiology. These medical specialties use ionizing and nonionizing radiation in the diagnosis and treatment of disease. Theoretical and technical advances within the field have allowed the development of new diagnostic modalities that enable physicians to examine virtually any part of the human body. Advances in the field also have increased the effectiveness of the radiation therapy treatment of certain diseases, particularly cancers.

The accelerated 32- to 36-month Bachelor of Science programs offer degrees in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (DMS), Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Nuclear Medicine Technology (NMT), Radiation Therapy (RT), and Radiography (RAD). The DMS and MRI programs are completed in 36 months, and the NMT, RT, and RAD programs in 32 months. The Bachelor of Science program integrates didactic instruction in the liberal arts, basic and applied science, and the social sciences with clinical instruction provided by the clinical affiliates. The location of the University in the Longwood Medical and Academic Area, as well as its affiliations with medical institutions located in the Greater Boston area, enable students to train in hospitals with state-of-the-art facilities that are among the best in the world. Students planning to major in one of the Medical Imaging and Therapeutics programs will be expected to specify the program of choice during the formal application process to MCPHS. Students who are uncertain about their program of choice are encouraged to complete a shadowing activity for each specialty area in order to decide which discipline they wish to study. If the student has firmly decided on the concentration he or she wishes to pursue, the student should contact his or her local hospital to arrange a shadowing opportunity. If such arrangements cannot be made, the MCPHS director for that program will accommodate a request to establish a shadowing opportunity. All such requests will be processed on an individual basis based on available space and the specific shadowing requirements at affiliate institutions. Any request to change the major after matriculation to MCPHS will be based on availability of space in the new area of interest.

Progression into the Professional Phase for School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics Majors and MCPHS Internal Transfers

All students must meet the following requirements in order to progress into the professional phase of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics majors. These requirements apply to students entering MCPHS as freshmen, students who are transferring into majors in the School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics from other programs within MCPHS, and those who are transferring from another accredited college or university into the professional phase of a Medical Imaging and Therapeutics bachelor or postbaccalaureate program.

Requirements

An overall cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 and successful completion of the following courses with a grade of C or better is required in order to progress into the professional phase of the student’s chosen program:

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For internal transfers, admission into the desired program is subject to space availability; in addition to the above requirements, the following must be completed:

- Transcript review by the appropriate program director and the dean of the school
- A written essay (maximum of 500 words) describing the reason for requesting the particular specialty area and what the student knows about the profession
- A change of major form signed by the Academic Advising Center
• A personal interview with the program director or designated program faculty
• Clinical observation in which the student will shadow a clinical supervisor in the chosen major; this requirement may be waived at the discretion of the program director

Clinical Rotations
A number of clinical rotations in the required curriculum may be scheduled at some distance from the campus. This is necessary to provide a range of diverse learning experiences and to ensure availability and quality of clinical rotation sites. The University makes every effort to accommodate requests regarding assignments to experiential education sites, but students generally can expect to be assigned to clinical sites at some distance from the campus for at least a portion of their required clinical rotations. In such instances, students are responsible for transportation and other related travel expenses.

Bachelor of Science Degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography: General and Echocardiography (Boston and Online)
Diagnostic medical sonography (DMS) uses sound waves (ultrasound) to produce two-dimensional, three-dimensional, and four-dimensional dynamic images of tissue, organs, abdominal and pelvic structures, and blood flow inside the human body for the diagnosis of various medical conditions. The sonographer, a highly skilled advanced imaging specialist, uses sophisticated equipment in order to master the art of scanning. Sonographers work closely with physicians to provide accurate detection of disease and the highest-quality patient care.

MCPHS is the only institution in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to offer both bachelor and postbaccalaureate degrees with multiple diagnostic medical specializations in a single program. The DMS program offers two options: a full-time, accelerated, three-year course of study and a full-time, 24-month postbaccalaureate option for those holding a prior bachelor’s degree. The comprehensive curriculum includes the four primary specialties of sonography: abdominal, vascular, obstetrics/gynecology, and cardiac imaging, plus secondary specialties, offered across two tracks. Track 1, the General track, includes abdominal, obstetrics/gynecology, fetal echocardiography, breast, neurosonology, and vascular. Track 2, the Echocardiography track, includes fetal, pediatric, adult echocardiography, and vascular. The program begins each September, starting in 2011.

The MCPHS graduate is well suited to work in several DMS specialties and, with the BS degree, has the comprehensive education required to become a leader in the profession.

Graduates from the MCPHS DMS program are eligible to sit for registration in each of the specialties included in the tracks above by, respectively, the American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonography (ARDMS) under the category 3b and Cardiovascular Credentialing International (CCI) under category 3. (Under category 3, graduates such as ours with a bachelor’s degree are eligible to sit for registration whether or not the program is accredited.) However, MCPHS is in the process of seeking accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) as reviewed by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography.

To meet the residency requirement for the BS in Diagnostic Medical Sonography, students must complete at least 62 semester hours at the University for the General track and at least 63 semester hours for the Echocardiography track.

Preprofessional Phase

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### Professional Phase: General Track for Three-Year First BS Degree

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**Total credits to complete degree requirements:** 124 semester hours

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### Bachelor of Science Degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography with a Concentration in Vascular Sonography (Online)

The Diagnostic Medical Sonography (DMS) Online program is an innovative approach to sonography education. Sonography education is inherently a distance education program. The majority of the students' education takes place in the clinical setting off campus.

Many sonographers are cross-trained and/or associate degree educated and have limited opportunity to advance in the healthcare industry and in some cases pass the ARDMS registry exams because they may lack formalized education in sonographic physics, instrumentation, anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology.

This program meets the needs of healthcare providers who want to switch careers, advance their scanning ability, or prepare for the ARDMS registry. MCPHS advances the sonographers' sonographic skill set and enables other healthcare professionals such as nurses to change their careers to the sonographic field. MCPHS will offer the opportunity for sonographers to be formally trained in the modalities for which they have had little or no training and give them the skills to administer proper patient care. MCPHS offers practicing sonographers the opportunity to expand their knowledge via a formal educational program.

#### Preprofessional Phase

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Total Year I: 42 semester hours (may be accepted as transfer credit)
## Professional Phase: Vascular Track

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*Total credits to complete degree requirements: 127 semester hours*
Bachelor of Science Degree in Magnetic Resonance Imaging

Magnetic resonance imaging, also referred to as MRI, is a procedure in which radio waves and a powerful magnet linked to a computer are used to create detailed images of body structures for the purpose of diagnosis. MRI technologists use their knowledge of anatomy, physiology, patient care, and the MRI principles to safely operate advanced MRI scanners and assist the radiologist in the diagnosis of disease and injury. Unlike most MRI programs, this is a primary pathway program that recognizes MRI as a distinct and separate imaging discipline. Hence, no prior background in a medical imaging science is required.

The 36-month BS is an accelerated program combining online courses, courses on the Boston campus, and clinical internships throughout Massachusetts. The typical course of study begins with 16 months of core-curriculum preprofessional courses and general education courses followed by 18 months (including two summers) of professional courses and clinical internships.

Students enrolled in the MRI program receive their internship training at hospital affiliates in the Greater Boston area and southern New Hampshire. These include, but are not limited to, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Catholic Medical Center, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Elliot Hospital, Mt. Auburn Hospital, and Shields MRI Centers Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Upon graduation from the BS program in MRI, students are eligible to apply for certification through examination by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

To meet the residency requirement for the BS in Magnetic Resonance Imaging degree, students must complete at least 64 semester hours at the University.

Preprofessional Phase

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Distribution elective*  3

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* The two distribution electives must be a humanities elective and a social science elective.
The student must earn a minimum grade of C in BIO 110 and 210; CHE 110 and 210; MAT 150, 151, 197, and 261; RSC 110; HSC 3100; and PHY 270.

Professional Phase
The student must earn a minimum grade of C in all courses and achieve and maintain a professional 2.5 grade point average (GPA) from this semester on to progress in the program and graduate.

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Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology, Radiation Therapy, and Radiography

Common First-Year Courses: Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology, Radiation Therapy, and Radiography

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Bachelor of Science Degree in Nuclear Medicine Technology

Nuclear medicine is a medical specialty that uses radioactive pharmaceuticals and tracers in the diagnosis and treatment of disease. The specialty relies on the expertise of professionals in the allied health sciences for its sophisticated, high-technology medical procedures. Among these professionals are nuclear medicine technologists, with skills ranging from patient care to the operation of nuclear instrumentation.

The technologist performs functions that complement those of nuclear medicine physicians, such as the care and preparation of patients for nuclear medicine procedures, application of quality control techniques to the nuclear medicine products and procedures, operation of instruments for in vivo and in vitro examinations, involvement in research activities, and participation in the management of the nuclear medicine laboratory.

Students enrolled in the Nuclear Medicine Technology program receive their internship training at hospital affiliates in the Greater Boston area. These include, but are not limited to, Boston Medical Center, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Children’s Hospital Boston, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Massachusetts General Hospital, and Tufts Medical Center.

Upon graduation from the Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology program, the student is eligible to apply for certification through examination by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists and the Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board.

To meet the residency requirement for the BS in Nuclear Medicine Technology, students must complete at least 61 semester hours at the University.

NOTE: All nuclear medicine technology students must fulfill requirements for CPR certification and medical terminology prior to NMT Internship (NMT 330C).

Curriculum: Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology

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**Total credits to complete degree requirements: 121 semester hours**

### Bachelor of Science Degree in Radiation Therapy

Radiation therapy is an allied health specialty that uses ionizing radiation in the treatment of disease, primarily cancer. The primary responsibilities of a radiation therapist include implementing treatment programs prescribed by a radiation oncologist and assisting in the planning of treatment with the medical dosimetrist and radiation physicist. These responsibilities require highly specialized technical skills as well as highly developed interpersonal skills for interacting effectively with other members of the oncology treatment team, patients, and their families. Students in the Radiation Therapy program develop these skills through an intensive didactic curriculum and through clinical internship under the supervision of registered radiation therapists. Internship training is provided at the clinical affiliates. These include Baystate Medical Center, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Cooley Dickinson Hospital, Dana-Farber / Brigham and Women’s (DF/BW) Cancer Center (Milford), Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, DF/BW at South Shore
Hospital, Lahey Clinic, Lahey Clinic North, MetroWest Medical Center, MGH North Shore Center for Outpatient Care, Mt. Auburn Hospital, North Main Radiation, Rhode Island Hospital, Shields Radiation Oncology Center (Mansfield), St. Vincent Hospital Radiation Oncology Center, Southcoast Centers for Cancer Care, and Winchester Hospital Radiation Oncology Center.

Upon graduation from the Bachelor of Science in Radiation Therapy program, the student is eligible to apply for certification through examination by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

To meet the residency requirement for the BS in Radiation Therapy, students must complete at least 61 semester hours at the University.

NOTE: All radiation therapy students must be certified in CPR before the Clinical Internship (RTT 201C).

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Bachelor of Science Degree in Radiography

Radiography is an imaging science that utilizes ionizing radiation to assist physicians in the diagnosis of disease. Responsibilities of the radiographer include patient care and assessment, patient education, preparation and positioning for radiographic procedures, and evaluation of image quality.

The first year of this program consists of a core curriculum of preprofessional and general education courses. The didactic and clinical components of the radiography curriculum are integrated into the second and third years. Clinical training in radiography is provided at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Cambridge Health Alliance, Charlton Memorial Hospital, Children’s Hospital Boston, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Falmouth Hospital, Mount Auburn Hospital, St. Elizabeth’s Hospital, Signature Health Care (Brockton Hospital), Tufts Medical Center, Whidden Hospital, and a special rotation to Angell Memorial. Upon graduation from the Bachelor of Science in Radiography program, the student is eligible to apply for certification through examination by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

To meet the residency requirement for the BS in Radiography, students must complete at least 61 semester hours at the University.

NOTE: All radiography students must fulfill the requirement for CPR certification and for medical terminology before the first Radiation Internship (RAD 201C).

Curriculum: Bachelor of Science in Radiography
(For students in the class of 2013 and beyond)

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**Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science Degrees in Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Nuclear Medicine Technology, Radiation Therapy, and Radiography**

Designed specifically for students with a bachelor’s degree in another field, these programs of study provide a fast-track option for individuals ready for transition to a career in a discipline within medical imaging and therapeutics. Building on previous learning and experience gained from the student’s first bachelor’s degree, these programs will mirror the curricula of the three-year bachelor of science programs previously outlined in the prior section of this catalog.

In order to be eligible for these programs, students must possess a prior bachelor’s degree and have completed the following prerequisite coursework with a minimum grade of C: anatomy and physiology I and II with lab; college algebra and trigonometry (for Radiation Therapy and Nuclear Medicine Technology programs only); statistics (for Nuclear Medicine Technology only); a computer course; basic chemistry I and II with lab (for Nuclear Medicine Technology only); 4 credits college physics (for Radiation Therapy, Nuclear Medicine Technology, and Radiography only); 3 or 4 credits of calculus-based general physics (MRI only); medical terminology; and clinical pathophysiology or equivalent (for Nuclear Medicine Technology only).

Fifty-five (55) semester hours of credit will be awarded upon matriculation for the prior baccalaureate degree, which must have been earned from a regionally accredited college or university, in fulfillment of MCPHS core curriculum requirements.
Accepted MRI, radiography, and radiation therapy students begin their program in the summer session; nuclear medicine and radiography students begin in the fall session. Graduates are eligible to apply for certification in their discipline through examination by the American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography (ARDMS), American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT), or Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board (NMTCB). Certification by the NMTCB is available only to graduates of the Nuclear Medicine Technology program. The Nuclear Medicine Technology program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Nuclear Medicine Technology (JRCNMT). The Radiation Therapy and Radiography programs are accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT). The MRI program is recognized by the ARRT through regional accreditation. The DMS program is seeking accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAAHED) through the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography.

Postbaccalaureate BS Program in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (24 Months)

Prerequisites
- Baccalaureate or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
- Completion of the following college courses or their equivalent with a grade of C or higher:
  - Anatomy and physiology I and II (w/lab)
  - College English, speech, or composition
  - College algebra, statistics, or higher math course
  - College physics or radiographic physics

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**Postbaccalaureate BS Program in Magnetic Resonance Imaging (16 Months)**

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Postbaccalaureate BS Program in Nuclear Medicine Technology
(16 Months)

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Postbaccalaureate BS Program in Radiation Therapy
(24 Months)

NOTE: All radiation therapy students must fulfill requirements for CPR certification and medical terminology prior to RTT Internship (RTT 201C).

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**Postbaccalaureate BS Program in Radiography**

**(24 Months)**

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Total credits to complete requirements: 71 semester hours

Advanced Certificate Programs in Medical Imaging

Two certificate programs for working technologists seeking advanced certification in the advanced imaging modalities are offered by the School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics. The certificate programs provide both didactic and clinical training, and students, upon successful completion of the program, are eligible to sit for the advanced certification examinations administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Certificate programs are available in magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and computed tomography (CT).

Eligibility for each certificate program is established in accordance with ARRT guidelines. Applicants must hold current ARRT/NMTCP certification in the appropriate discipline as well as current CPR certification.

Prerequisites
- AARRT/NMTBC/ARDMS certification in radiography, nuclear medicine technology, or radiation therapy
- ARSC 310 Cross-sectional Anatomy (3 credits)
- ARSC 315 Computed Tomography (CT) Imaging (3 credits)
A minimum grade of C is required in all courses to progress and receive certification.
Curriculum: Computed Tomography

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Curriculum: Magnetic Resonance Imaging

**Prerequisites**

ARRT/NMTBC/ARDMS certification in radiography, nuclear medicine technology, radiation therapy, or sonography is required. A grade of C or better in a cross-sectional anatomy course also is required. A minimum grade of C is required in all courses to progress and receive the certificate.

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**Total**

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**Total credits to complete MRI advanced certificate requirements: 18 semester hours**

School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics Policies and Professional Requirements

To be in good academic standing, students in the School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics programs must have a minimum grade point average of 2.5. Students also must earn a minimum grade of C in the professional courses in the major, including all clinical internships. Any student who fails a professional course twice is dismissed from the program.

Students whose clinical performance during the internship rotation is unsatisfactory receive a warning from their clinical supervisor by the middle of the rotation; those who fail two internship rotations are dismissed from the program.

In addition to being in good academic and financial standing, students must complete all professional coursework at MCPHS to receive their degrees in diagnostic medical sonography, magnetic resonance imaging, nuclear medicine technology, radiography, or radiation therapy programs or the certificate in MRI or CT.

**BCLS Certification**

All students in School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics programs must have current certification in Basic Cardiac Life Support.
Eligibility for Certification—ARRT
Candidates for certification through the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) must successfully complete a program of formal education that is accredited by a mechanism acceptable to the ARRT. Candidates also must comply with the rules of ethics contained in the ARRT Standards of Ethics. These include but are not limited to compliance with state and federal laws. A conviction of, plea of guilty to, or plea of nolo contendere to a crime that is either a felony or a crime of moral turpitude must be investigated by the ARRT in order to determine eligibility.

Pregnancy Policy
NOTE: This policy applies to all female students in the Radiography, Radiation Therapy, and Nuclear Medicine Technology majors or the Computed Tomography Certificate program.

In the event a female student becomes pregnant, the student may choose to declare her pregnancy, since there is a potential risk to the developing fetus from radiation exposure. In the event a student chooses to declare her pregnancy, the student will notify the program director and dean in writing that she is pregnant and also state the estimated date of conception. The MCPHS Declaration of Pregnancy for Radiation Workers form, available in the School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics dean’s office, shall be used for this purpose. A copy of this declaration will be forwarded to the Radiation Safety Officer. Choosing not to declare a pregnancy will result in exemption from the specific state radiation protection regulations limiting the exposure to the embryo/fetus.

Once the student declares herself to be pregnant, the Radiation Safety Officer will issue to the student
• a second badge to be worn during the gestation period at waist level to serve as a measure of embryo/fetus exposure. The radiation exposure control criterion for this student will be to limit exposures to this waist-level badge to less than 50 mrem/month (0.5 millisieverts).
• a copy of the applicable state regulations (105CMR120.203, 105CMR120.218, 105CMR120.267) that deal with exposure to the embryo/fetus
• a copy of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Guide 8.13, Instruction Concerning Prenatal Radiation Exposure, and Guide 8.29, Instructions Concerning Risks from Radiation Exposure. The student will be given an opportunity to discuss this material with the Radiation Safety Officer or his or her representative.

In order to adhere to Commonwealth of Massachusetts Regulation 105CMR120.218, which requires that “the dose to an embryo/fetus during the entire pregnancy, due to occupational exposure of a declared pregnant woman, does not exceed 500 mrem (5 millisieverts),” the student is offered the following options:
1. The student may continue in the program so long as her embryonic/fetal exposures are in conformance with the requirements of 105CMR120.218. If the student chooses this option, the following procedure must be followed:
   a. All efforts must be made by the student to ensure that the exposure total to the waist badge does not exceed 500 mrem (5 millisieverts) for the entire gestation period.
   b. The student and program director are to be notified, in writing, by the Radiation Safety Officer, if more than 80 percent of this dose (400 mrem) is received.
   c. The student and program director are to be notified, in writing, by the Radiation Safety Officer if the monthly recommendation of 50 mrem is exceeded.
   d. The student is expected to utilize her knowledge of radiation control principles at all times to further minimize her exposure.
   e. If the maximum exposure total for the gestation period is reached, the student, Radiation Safety Officer, and program director must agree on an alternate option.
2. The student may request a leave of absence from the career component of the program. The student may continue with general education courses without modification or interruption.

NOTE: Experience shows that the radiation workers in this program generally receive to the whole body well below 500 mrem per year, 50 mrem per month, and it is most unlikely that there will be any problems adhering to the fetal exposure limits.

Policy for Content Validation after Nonprogression or Leave of Absence
Students who have not been continuously attending courses for a period of one semester or more in an undergraduate School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics (SMIT) professional course, or who withdraw from a SMIT program via leave of absence, must validate previous knowledge and skills held prior to program exit before they may reenroll in SMIT clinical professional courses. Reenrollment is subject to clinical placement availability. (NOTE: There is no guarantee that space will be available at the desired time of return of the student; it may take up to two years for reentry due to lack of clinical placement availability.) This policy applies to all undergraduate SMIT programs.

The validation will occur via the student’s demonstration of knowledge and skills, such as meeting established program clinical competencies, in a selected clinical facility or simulation laboratory. This requires that students notify the program director of the
desired date of return a minimum of 30 days prior to the anticipated return in order to make arrangements for preparing and performing validation testing. Program faculty will provide guidance as to what content and skills (competencies) need to be reviewed by students prior to the testing, but it is the student’s responsibility to prepare for the validation testing.

Students attempting to return from a leave of absence also must have been cleared to return to classes by designated staff in the Academic Resource Center and by the Dean of Students (if a medical leave of absence) prior to performing validation testing. The Academic Resource Center will notify the Dean of SMIT when the student is eligible to take the validation test. Validation of knowledge will consist of a competency examination. A minimum grade of C on the competency examination is required. Program faculty will determine the content and skills to be included in the validation test.

If a student fails the validation test, he or she must enroll in a one-semester directed study course to remediate prior to reentering the program. This will delay the student’s reentry for at least one semester but likely for one year (or more if there is no clinical space available). The number of semester credits assigned to the directed study course will vary (1–3 semester credits) depending upon the number of semesters successfully completed in the program. If the student completed two or fewer semesters, 1 credit will be assigned; if three or four semesters, 2 credits; and if more than four semesters, 3 credits. Students may take general education courses concurrently with the directed study but may not take any program professional courses until the directed study has been successfully completed.

If a student does not pass the directed study with a minimum of C on the first attempt, he or she will be dismissed from his or her respective program.
MCPHS–Boston
School of Nursing

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Degree and Certificate Programs
• Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Accelerated 32-Month Curriculum (Boston)
Responding to the growing demand for nurses nationally, MCPHS offers an innovative accelerated 32-month nursing professional program leading to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree. The curriculum has been developed in collaboration with clinical partners at Boston’s Harvard-affiliated hospitals and other selected community agencies and institutions of the Longwood Medical and Academic Area of Boston. Reflecting the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice and the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Detailed Test Plan for the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN), the program prepares graduates to be able to respond to the complex challenges of a rapidly changing healthcare environment. The curriculum builds on a strong foundation in the liberal arts and sciences, and guides the student toward gaining the knowledge, skills, competencies, and values required to practice as a professional nurse. This program has received approval by the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing and is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

The BSN is offered as a full-time baccalaureate degree program, in a 32-month accelerated, year-round format. The first two years of the program consist of 15-week fall semesters and 15-week spring semesters, along with two 5-week summer sessions in Year I and a 12-week summer session in Year II; the third and final year consists of a 15-week fall semester and a 15-week spring semester, concluding in May of the third year. The program requires 122 semester hours of credit for completion, which includes the core curriculum requirements common to all MCPHS undergraduate and first professional degree programs, additional professional support courses in the natural and social sciences, and courses in the Nursing major. Upon completion of the program, students will be eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN.

To meet the residency requirement for the BS in Nursing, students must complete at least 61 semester hours at the University.

NOTE: An exception to the policy that no course examinations or graded assignments worth more than 15 percent of final course grade may be scheduled during the week before final examinations exists for Nursing courses. Major graded assignments or exams may be administered the week before the final week of the course. A reading day (scheduled only on a weekday, not Saturday or Sunday) will be provided between the end of scheduled classes / clinical rotations and the administration of any final exams.

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* BEH 352 fulfills the behavioral science core curriculum requirement.

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**TOTAL** 18

**Total credits to complete degree requirements: 122 semester hours**

**Courses are offered in a block-scheduling format during these semesters, with students taking one or two courses concurrently during each block.**

**MAT 141 and NUR 330 fulfill the math / physics / computer science core curriculum requirement.**
School of Nursing Academic Policies

Academic Progression
A minimum grade of C (2.0) is required in selected prerequisite non-Nursing courses (Anatomy and Physiology, Basic Chemistry, Microbiology, Statistics, and Human Growth and Development) and all professional Nursing courses. Successful completion of both the theory and the clinical laboratory/practicum in a clinical Nursing course is required to pass the course. A minimum professional grade point average (GPA) of 2.7 is required.

Any Nursing course that is graded below a C may be repeated only once. A second grade below C in the repeated course will result in dismissal from the Nursing program. Throughout the Nursing program, a student may repeat no more than two separate Nursing courses. Three grades below C in any combination of Nursing courses also will result in dismissal from the Nursing program.

All first-year (fall, spring, and summer) courses must be satisfactorily completed prior to enrolling in NUR 208 Essential Concepts of Nursing. All second-year (fall and spring) courses must be successfully completed prior to enrolling in NUR 325 Provider of Care I: Adult and Elder Health.

CPR Certification
All students must complete CPR training prior to beginning clinical experiences in NUR 325 Provider of Care I: Adult and Elder Health. Students must be certified in Basic Cardiac Life Support (BCLS) at the Healthcare Provider Level by the American Heart Association (AHA). Students must provide a copy of the AHA Healthcare Provider Level card indicating active certification. (AHA requires recertification every two years.) It is recommended that the student verify the course in advance to ensure that the course is appropriate.

Transportation
Reliable transportation to, from, and during all clinical and field experiences is the responsibility of the student. A number of clinical rotations in the required curriculum may be scheduled at some distance from the campus. This is necessary to provide a range of diverse learning experiences and to ensure availability and quality of clinical rotation sites. The University will make every effort to accommodate requests regarding assignments to experiential education sites, but students generally can expect to be assigned to clinical sites some distance from the campus for at least a portion of their required clinical rotations. In such instances, students are responsible for transportation and other related travel expenses.

Licensure
Students who successfully complete the program will be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN).

Employment
Due to the rigorous nature of the Nursing program, the demands placed on students are extremely high, particularly with respect to their clinical schedule and course requirements. It is for this reason that students are strongly discouraged from engaging in outside, non-program-related employment throughout the program of study.

School of Nursing Professional and Technical Standards
A prelicensure candidate for the BSN degree must have abilities and skills in four areas: communication, observation, motor function and endurance, and behavioral maturity. Reasonable accommodations may be made for some disabilities. However, prelicensure BSN students must be able to perform in a reasonably independent manner, with or without accommodations.

Communication
- Must be able to communicate effectively with patients, families, and members of the healthcare team through oral, written, and interpersonal means
- Must be able to obtain information, describe patient situations, and perceive both oral and nonverbal communication (including ability to understand normal speech without seeing the speaker’s face)
- Must be able to speak, comprehend, read, and write in English at a level that meets the need for accurate, clear, and effective communication. Examples include but are not limited to giving clear oral reports, reading watches or clocks with second hands, reading graphs, reading and understanding documents printed in English, writing legibly in English, and discriminating subtle differences in medical terminology.

Observation
- Must be able to observe a patient accurately. Examples include but are not limited to listening to heart and breath sounds; visualizing the appearance of a surgical wound; detecting bleeding, unresponsiveness, or other changes in patient status; detecting the presence of a foul odor; and palpating an abdomen.
- Must be able to detect and respond to emergency situations, including audible alarms (e.g., monitors, call bells, fire alarms)

Motor Function and Endurance
• Must have sufficient strength and mobility to work effectively and safely with patients and carry out nursing care activities. Examples include but are not limited to lifting and positioning patients (lifting up to 50 pounds, carrying up to 25 pounds), transferring patients in and out of bed, performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation (AHA Healthcare Provider Level certification), preparation and administration of medications (oral, injection, and intravenous, including hanging IV bags at shoulder height), reading and emptying body fluid collection devices below bed level, application of pressure to stop bleeding, clearing/opening an obstructed airway, and providing daily hygiene care.
• Must be able to complete assigned periods of clinical practice, including up to 12-hour shifts, including days, evenings, nights, and weekends
• Must be able to respond at a speed and in a manner sufficient to carry out patient assignments within the allotted time

Behavioral
• Must possess mental and emotional health required for total utilization of intellectual abilities
• Must be able to tolerate physically taxing work loads
• Must be able to respond and function effectively during stressful situations
• Must be capable of adapting to rapidly changing environments and of responding with flexibility in uncertain situations
• Must be able to interact appropriately with others (i.e., patients, families, members of healthcare team) in various healthcare contexts

Policy for Content Validation after Nonprogression or Leave of Absence
A student who fails or withdraws from an undergraduate Nursing professional course, or who withdraws from a Nursing program via leave of absence, must validate previous knowledge and skills held prior to program exit before he or she may reenroll in Nursing clinical professional courses. Reenrollment is subject to clinical placement availability. (NOTE: There is no guarantee that space will be available at the student’s desired return date. It may take up to two years for reentry due to lack of clinical placement availability.) This policy applies to all undergraduate Nursing programs.

The validation will occur via the student’s demonstration of knowledge and skills—that is, meeting established program clinical competencies—in a selected clinical facility or simulation laboratory. The student must notify the program director of the desired date of return a minimum of 30 days prior to the anticipated return date to make arrangements for preparing for and performing validation testing. Program faculty will provide guidance as to what content and skills (competencies) need to be reviewed by the student prior to the testing, but it is student’s responsibility to prepare for the validation testing. The student must pass the validation testing as per the outcome measures determined by the faculty. Failure to meet the required outcome(s) will result in dismissal from the Nursing program and/or the need to repeat identified courses.

A student attempting to return from a leave of absence also must have been cleared to return to classes by designated staff in the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester) and/or the Dean of Students (Boston and Worcester) or Associate Dean of Students (Manchester) (if a medical leave of absence) prior to performing validation testing. The Academic Resource Center / Academic Support Services / Dean or Associate Dean of Students and Nursing faculty will coordinate communication regarding student clearance for leave of absence return and subsequent eligibility to schedule validation testing.
MCPHS–Boston
School of Physician Assistant Studies

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Maha Lund, Associate Professor and Program Director
Ranganath Pappanna, MD, Medical Director
Assistant Professors Buyea, Groom, Hurwitz, Jones, Kelley, LaMandre, McDermott, Orrahood, Richmond, Roncarati, Tomasetti

Degree and Certificate Programs

- Master of Physician Assistant Studies

Physician Assistant Studies (Boston)

See the MCPHS–Manchester and MCPHS–Worcester sections for information on the Physician Assistant Studies (Manchester/Worcester) program.

The MCPHS Physician Assistant (PA) Studies program is dedicated to the education of clinically competent medical professionals thoroughly prepared to deliver quality patient care in various settings within the healthcare delivery system. Upon successful completion of the degree requirements, the Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) degree is awarded. The program is accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA), and graduates are eligible to sit for the Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination required by all states for licensure or registration.

Students applying to the PA Studies program (Boston) must submit a formal application, including official transcripts and essay, through CASPA by November 1 of the year prior to admission. CASPA, the Centralized Application Service for Physician Assistants, may be contacted at www.caspaonline.org. In addition to submitting an application through CASPA, all MPAS applicants are required to complete a supplemental application submitted to MCPHS available on the University website.

MCPHS–Boston offers an accredited program leading to the MPAS. This program capitalizes on the extensive educational resources of the University, the Longwood Medical and Academic Area, and other parts of New England to prepare physician assistants with the skills, competencies, and attitudes to provide compassionate care to patients in a variety of settings. While the emphasis is on primary care, students acquire experience in the evaluation and treatment of a broad spectrum of medical problems through the program’s clinical clerkships. These experiential elements of the program provide training in surgery, psychiatry, women’s health, pediatrics, emergency medicine, primary care, and internal medicine.

The Physician Assistant

Professional Responsibilities

Physician Assistants (PAs) are skilled members of the healthcare team qualified by academic and clinical experience to provide a broad range of healthcare services in practice with a licensed physician. The healthcare services that PAs provide include performing appropriate medical interviews and physical examinations, identifying healthcare problems in need of evaluation and management, screening results of laboratory diagnostic studies, implementing treatment plans, counseling patients regarding illness and health-risk behaviors, monitoring responses to programs of therapy, and facilitating access to appropriate healthcare resources. These services may be provided to individuals of any age in those various settings considered part of the physician’s practice.

Professional Credentials

Over the past 50 years, several advancements within the profession have occurred that have increased recognition of the PA as a vital member of the healthcare team. These markers include graduation from an academic program accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant, certification through examination by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants, and registration or licensure by state boards of medical examiners. Continued professional competence is evidenced by the completion of continuing medical education requirements and successful passage of a recertification examination every 10 years.

Master of Physician Assistant Studies Major

Admission Prerequisites

Students who have earned a baccalaureate degree and have met the following prerequisite course requirements must apply through the Central Application Service for Physician Assistants (CASPA) and complete a supplemental application from MCPHS. Students who
meet the requirements may be invited to campus for an interview.

The application must include a transcript demonstrating successful completion of the following course prerequisites:

- Two semesters of biology (one lab required), minimum of 7 semester hour credits
- One semester of microbiology with lab, 4 semester hour credits
- Two semesters of chemistry (one lab required), minimum of 7 semester hour credits
- One semester of biochemistry, 3 semester hour credits
- Two semesters of human physiology, 6 semester hour credits
- One semester of psychology, 3 semester hour credits
- One semester of statistics or biostatistics, 3 semester hour credits

These courses must have each been completed with a grade of C (2.0) or better, but with an overall cumulative grade point average for these courses of B (3.0) or better on a 4.0 scale.

All prerequisites must be completed within the past 10 years; exceptions are addressed on a case-by-case basis. Prerequisites must be completed at a regionally accredited institution of higher education in the United States. Patient healthcare experience is recommended but not required for admission.

MCPHS Premedical and Health Studies students seeking admission into the MPAS program should see Admission for MCPHS Students—Undergraduate Curriculum under School of Physician Assistant Studies Policies and Professional Requirements later in this section.

Curriculum: Master of Physician Assistant Studies (Boston)
The Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) major involves an intensive 30-month course of study of clinical medicine and in-depth exposure to people of all ages in various clerkship settings. All courses within the MPAS program must be completed at MCPHS. The MPAS program does not award advanced placement or transfer credit for professional courses.

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Competencies during the fall semester: library modules and medical terminology

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Beginning in the first summer session following the second year, each student begins a series of required clinical clerkships for a duration of 45 weeks.

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Clinical Clerkships

A number of clinical clerkships in the required curriculum may be scheduled at some distance from the campus. This is necessary to provide a range of diverse learning experiences and to ensure availability and quality of clinical rotation sites. The University will make every effort to accommodate requests regarding assignments to experiential education sites, but students generally can expect to be assigned to clinical sites at some distance from the campus for at least a portion of their required clinical rotations. In such instances, students are responsible for transportation, food, parking, housing, and other related incidentals for all clinical clerkships.

In addition to the costs of the MPAS–Boston program delineated in the Tuition, Room and Board, Fees section of this catalog, PA students can expect to spend approximately $1,000 on medical equipment and approximately $1,500 for books during the program.

Students in the MPAS program will need to complete a Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check prior to starting clerkships. Positive CORI checks may impede a student’s progress in the program and result in a student’s being ineligible for placement at a clinical clerkship and state licensure as a physician assistant. Students are responsible for the cost of CORI checks.

School of Physician Assistant Studies Policies and Professional Requirements

Basic Life Support

All students in the Physician Assistant Program must present proof of Basic Life Support (BLS) for Healthcare Providers certification prior to entry into the second professional year. Students must maintain this certification throughout the remainder of the program. BLS for Healthcare Providers certification is required for Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) for Healthcare Providers training, and both active BLS Healthcare Provider and ACLS Healthcare Provider certifications are required for clinical clerkships.

Employment Outside of the University

In order to maintain good academic standing, students should be aware that the professional curriculum of the program is rigorous and demanding. Students who must be engaged in gainful employment should balance school and responsibilities so as not to compromise their academic success. Due to the rigorous nature of the program, the demands placed on students are extremely high, particularly with respect to their clinical work schedule and associated study requirements. It is for this reason that the faculty strongly discourages students from engaging in any outside, non-program-related activities.
Transfer of Credit
The MCPHS PA Studies program does not accept transfer credit for any PAS courses during the 30-month professional PA program.

Advanced Placement
The MCPHS PA Studies program does not award advanced placement in its professional PA curriculum.

Performance in the MPAS Program
All PAS-designated courses (500 level and above) count toward the professional grade point average (GPA). The following are requirements for remaining in good academic standing:

• To progress within both the didactic and clinical phases of the program, students must achieve a final course grade of C (2.0) or better on a 4.0 scale. In all PAS-designated courses, obtaining a course grade below C results in the student’s having to repeat the course. Progression through the program will be delayed because professional-phase courses are offered only once a year. This also would have a significant impact on GPA, which could jeopardize progression as well.
• A cumulative professional GPA of 2.85 on a 4.0 scale must be maintained throughout the entire length of the program. If students do not earn the required cumulative professional GPA of 2.85, they may be placed on academic probation and/or be dismissed from the program.
• Successful completion of the PA summative examination administered during the final professional year of the program is mandatory before graduation. Students with an inability to successfully pass the summative examination on the first administration will be allowed to retake the exam. The second attempt on the summative examination must occur between 14 and 28 days following the first administration. Failure to pass the summative examination on the second attempt will result in a recommendation for dismissal to the Academic Standing Committee.

In order to receive the Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) degree, students must have earned a cumulative professional GPA of 2.85 or better on a 4.0 scale, successfully completed required courses and clerkships, demonstrated required proficiencies, and successfully completed the summative examination administered during the final professional year of the program.

Admission for MCPHS Students—Undergraduate Curriculum
For MCPHS undergraduate students seeking admission into the MPAS program (Boston), the prerequisite requirements for application to the PA program may be met through matriculation in the BS in Premedical and Health Studies program. Students in that program must apply through the Central Application Service for Physician Assistants (CASPA) to MPAS during the fall semester of the third year of their undergraduate curriculum. The CASPA application deadline is November 1. All first-year and second-year BS in Premedical and Health Studies courses must be completed successfully prior to applying to the PA program. Outstanding third-year courses must be completed prior to admission into the MPAS program.

Students in the BS in Premedical and Health Studies program who meet admission requirements (a minimum 3.0 overall GPA, a minimum 3.0 GPA in prerequisite courses and C or better grades in all prerequisite courses) will be given the first interview dates. Successful interviews are required for admission into the MPAS program.
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Degree, Certificate, and Residency Programs

- Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)  
  Honors Program  
  Residencies in Pharmacy Practice
- Doctor of Pharmacy / Master of Public Health (PharmD/MPH)
- Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway (Online)
- Certificate in Advanced Pharmacy Practice Studies (CAPPs)
- BS in Biomedical Informatics
- BS in Pharmaceutical and Health Care Business
- BS in Pharmaceutical Sciences / Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences
- BS in Pharmacology/Toxicology

Doctor of Pharmacy

The School of Pharmacy–Boston offers a six-year program leading to a Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree. Students follow a curriculum that combines general, specialized, and applied science courses with those in the liberal arts, preparing them for an increasingly visible role on the healthcare team. In addition, required experiential courses provide opportunities to learn while practicing in areas such as ambulatory, community, inpatient, and institutional pharmacy, as well as elective experiences in geriatrics, pediatrics, industry, long-term care, and regulatory agencies. Credits earned in professional courses are valid for up to seven years.
Technical Standards

Introduction
The School of Pharmacy is committed to a policy of equal educational opportunity and welcomes individuals with diverse backgrounds and abilities. The school therefore prohibits discrimination according to all applicable state and federal laws. The purpose of this document is to ensure that all students entering the PharmD program have read and understand the clinical and nonacademic requirements of the program so that they can make informed decisions regarding their pursuit of the profession of pharmacy.

Candidates for admission to and students enrolled in the PharmD program must have abilities and skills in multiple domains, including communication, intellectual, behavioral/social, and visual/auditory/tactile/motor competencies. The following technical standards describe the nonacademic qualifications (required in addition to academic standards) that the School of Pharmacy considers essential for successful progression in and completion of the educational objectives of its curriculum.

Although the School of Pharmacy will engage in an interactive process with applicants with disabilities, it reserves the right not to admit any applicant who, upon completion of the interactive process, cannot meet the technical standards set forth below, with or without reasonable accommodations.

Reasonable accommodation for persons with prior documented disabilities will be considered on an individual basis. Students wishing to request accommodations for disabilities should contact the Director of Disability Services (see Disabilities Support Services in the Student Services section of the catalog).

Domain: Communication

Performance Standards
• Must have functional English speaking, reading, and writing abilities necessary to communicate clearly with patients, family, caregivers, physicians, and other healthcare professionals, colleagues, and faculty. Communication includes both verbal and nonverbal expression, reading, writing, and computer skills.

Essential Functions
• Must have the ability to participate in class discussions, group projects, and practical labs for the purpose of the delivery and receipt of medical information
• Must have the ability to recognize both verbal and nonverbal communication, including facial expressions and body language
• Must have the ability to report accurately and legibly in patients' charts, demonstrating the knowledge of the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar
• Must have the ability to explain to other healthcare team members, patients, and/or caregivers the reason for treatment, preventive measures, disease process, and need for referral
• Must have the ability to use computers and other technology to accurately record information and convey critical health-related documentation
• Must have the ability to recognize and respond to the physical and psychological needs of patients

Domain: Intellectual

Performance Standards
• Must have sufficient critical and logical thinking ability to engage in clinical judgment and problem solving to address issues and problems within all learning environments
• Must have the ability to multitask and to perform work in a logical and sequential manner

Essential Functions
• Must be able to memorize, perform scientific measurement and calculation, reason, analyze, and synthesize information
• Must demonstrate the ability to retrieve (electronically and manually), read, understand, and interpret medical, scientific, and professional information and literature
• Must demonstrate the intellectual and reasoning abilities required to develop problem-solving and decision-making skills
• Must demonstrate the ability to learn effectively through a variety of modalities including, but not limited to, small group discussion, individual study of materials, preparation and presentation of written and oral reports, and use of computers and other technology
• Must demonstrate the ability to prioritize and complete tasks in laboratory, clinical, and patient care settings with time constraints
• Must perform a variety of duties accurately, often changing from one task to another without loss of efficiency or composure

Domain: Behavioral/Social

Performance Standards
• Must possess the ability to relate to patients, caregivers, other members of the healthcare team, and faculty in a professional manner
• Must demonstrate sensitivity to people from a variety of cultural backgrounds
• Must possess the ability to interact with and respond to the needs of patients and caregivers from a variety of cultural backgrounds and with a diversity of emotional, intellectual, and physical health issues
Essential Functions
• Must be able to fully utilize intellectual abilities to exercise good judgment; to complete patient care responsibilities appropriately; and to relate to patients, families, and colleagues with courtesy, compassion, maturity, and respect for their dignity
• Must be able to effectively function when faced with challenges and uncertainties in classroom, laboratory, and experiential settings
• Must accept constructive criticism and be able to respond and modify behavior accordingly
• Must be able to interact with faculty, staff, peers, patients, and members of the healthcare team in a mature and professional manner that reflects the core values of the University

Domain: Visual/Auditory
Performance Standard
• Must possess sufficient visual and auditory abilities to gather data from written reference material, oral presentations, illustrations, diagrams, and patient observation

Essential Functions
• Must have the ability to gather data from written reference material, computer-based programs, and oral presentations
• Must have the ability to observe and/or conduct demonstrations and experiments
• Must have the ability to utilize various types of physical assessment skills required for patient-centered care, including reading digital or analog representations of physiologic phenomena
• Must have the ability to execute movements reasonably required to properly participate in the activities of a laboratory or an experiential rotation that are components of pharmacy practice
• Must have the ability to read and interpret prescriptions, prescription labels, and drug labels

Domain: Tactile and Motor Competencies
Performance Standards
• Must possess sufficient tactile and motor abilities to prepare pharmaceutical products, evaluate patients, and perform basic laboratory tests
• Must possess the manual dexterity necessary to manipulate and control laboratory equipment and materials

Essential Functions
• Must possess manual dexterity sufficient to accurately compound and prepare pharmaceutical products for dispensing to patients
• Must possess sufficient manual dexterity and sense of touch to perform basic patient assessments, including but not limited to palpation, auscultation, percussion, and other diagnostic maneuvers
• Must possess sufficient manual dexterity to conduct laboratory diagnostic tests and administer nonoral medications

Experiential Rotations
Experiential education rotations are required throughout the professional curriculum. Three hundred (300) hours of introductory pharmacy practice experiences are required prior to the sixth (fourth professional) year; 1,440 hours of advanced pharmacy practice experiences are required in the sixth (fourth professional) year. A number of experiential rotations in the required curriculum may be scheduled at some distance from the campus. This is necessary to provide a range of diverse learning experiences and to ensure availability and quality of clinical rotation sites. The University will make every effort to accommodate requests regarding assignments to experiential education sites, but students generally can expect to be assigned to clinical sites at some distance from the campus for at least a portion of their required clinical rotations. In such instances, students are responsible for transportation and other related travel expenses.

Progression Requirements
Students must have a 2.7 grade point average (GPA) to progress into the first professional year (third year) of the PharmD program and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.7 in Years III–VI of the program. In addition, the minimum passing grade for all required professional courses is C–.

In addition to the GPA requirement, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education now requires all preprofessional students in the second year of the PharmD program to complete an interview prior to progression into the third year of the program (the first professional year of the PharmD program). The interview and the oral proficiency exam, along with the GPA, must meet minimum criteria prior to the student’s entering the third year of the PharmD program.

All PharmD students must complete all requirements and be in good academic standing before beginning sixth-year advanced clinical rotations.

All professional coursework in the PharmD program must be completed within a period of seven years. Any coursework older than seven years must be repeated.

Policy on Enrollment Management for the School of Pharmacy–Boston
The MCPHS University, School of Pharmacy–Boston seeks to maintain an appropriate balance of qualified Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) students per class with the need to assure high academic standards that are consistent with those of the profession. Students
who are enrolled in other degree programs within the University, who have successfully completed all required prerequisites for the
PharmD program, and who have attained a minimum GPA of 3.0 without failure or repeat of courses are eligible to apply for transfer
into the first professional year of the PharmD program. Students must successfully fulfill all requirements prior to the fall semester of the
first professional year, in accordance with the standards of June 2007 of the Accreditation Council on Pharmacy Education (ACPE) and
those described in the policy of the School of Pharmacy–Boston on progression into the Doctor of Pharmacy program.

Applications for internal transfer into the fall semester of a given year must be submitted to the Office of the Dean, School of
Pharmacy–Boston, by February 1 of that year. Decisions regarding acceptance of internal transfer applicants into the PharmD program
will be made within two weeks following the close of final grades at the end of the spring semester of the second year based on space
availability in the first-professional-year class for the following fall semester. Matriculating students who wish to transfer into the
PharmD program at any time after the close of final grades at the end of the spring semester of the second year will be required to
complete their current program and may then apply after they have been awarded their degree.

External transfers into the PharmD program are required to comply with the transfer admissions policy as described in the University
catalog.

Residency Requirement
Students must take all professional courses in residence at MCPHS and 3 credits of professional electives during the fifth year (i.e., third
professional year) of the program.

Electives
Students are required to take two professional electives during the fifth year of the PharmD program. A list of professional electives will
be provided.

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**Total credits to complete degree:** 205

*Students entering the University after their freshman year are not required to take FYS 101 and, therefore, need 201 semester hours to complete the degree.

Sixth Year (Fourth Professional Year)

During the final year of study, PharmD students earn 36 credit hours by completing 36 weeks of advanced experiential rotations. The rotations start as early as May and run consecutively through late November or December. The rotations resume in January and finish in May.

Students are required to complete rotations in inpatient medicine, institutional pharmacy practice, ambulatory care, and community pharmacy practice. Additionally, students complete two elective rotations from areas such as administration, cardiology, community practice, critical care medicine, drug information, emergency medicine, gastroenterology, infectious diseases, nephrology, oncology/hematology, obstetrics/gynecology, pediatrics, poison information, and psychiatry.

Elective rotations chosen by the student are reviewed by the coordinators of experiential education programs to determine whether the rotations provide appropriate emphasis and balance to the student’s overall program and whether accommodations can be made at the sites. Scheduling of the rotations is completed by the coordinator of experiential programs and may be modified at the discretion of the coordinator.
School of Pharmacy–Boston Honors Program

The School of Pharmacy–Boston Honors program is an enrichment of the Doctor of Pharmacy curriculum that expands educational opportunities for highly motivated and academically talented students.

Honors program students

- participate in small class seminars with peers that foster intellectual inquiry,
- are matched with individual faculty advisors,
- attend presentations by prominent scientists and clinicians from local and national organizations and institutions,
- conduct a research project in a focused area of interest under the supervision of a research advisor,
- have networking opportunities with leaders within healthcare and scientific fields,
- have expanded opportunities for professional and career advancement, and
- earn an honors designation on their degree transcript.

Honors Program Eligibility

A student who is interested in applying for admission to the honors program must

- be a third-year pharmacy student (first professional year) in the PharmD program and
- have a minimum professional grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 by the end of the spring semester of the third year.

Applications for admission to the honors program are due by the end of the third week of the spring semester of the third year (first professional year). The applicant must complete an application form and submit a curriculum vitae / résumé, two references, and an essay that outlines the reasons for pursuing the honors program as well as the applicant’s professional interests. All applicants who meet the eligibility criteria are invited for an interview with the Honors Program Committee during the spring semester. The Honors Program Committee determines acceptance into the program.

Honors Program Requirements

- Honors students participate in an honors seminar that meets during the fall and spring semesters of the fourth year (second professional year) and the fall and spring semesters of the fifth year (third professional year). This seminar will foster intellectual inquiry and also can include sessions in laboratory, practicum, and clinical settings.

- During the fourth year, honors students select one required course in the fall semester and one required course in the spring semester that are designated as meeting honors program requirements. The honors student will work under the supervision and guidance of a faculty member on a specific area within each course to gain further depth and knowledge in the area of study (laboratory, practicum, and clinical experience can be included). The students must fulfill the honors requirements as specified by the faculty member. Students will spend approximately two hours per week on honors program requirements in each course.

- During the fifth year, the honors student will be paired with a faculty research advisor. By the end of the first week of October, the student will submit a proposal for a research project with a timeline and budget that must be approved by the committee. The student will focus on advancing the research project under the supervision and guidance of the research advisor. The student begins work on his or her research project in the fall semester of the fifth year and continues into the sixth year. During the spring semester of the fifth year, the student may select one or two six-week rotations that will advance the goals of the research project. These rotations should occur in the first part of the academic year since the student must complete the research project during the final semester of the sixth year.

- During the sixth year, the honors student completes the research project, prepares a scientific report, and gives a formal presentation. Students will be encouraged to submit their projects as abstracts for presentations at regional and national meetings and to prepare manuscripts for submission to journals.

Doctor of Pharmacy / Master of Public Health

The Doctor of Pharmacy and Master of Public Health (PharmD/MPH) program at MCPHS University is a joint program encompassing the requirements of both degrees. Students will have the opportunity to apply for the program in their second year of study at MCPHS University. Upon acceptance to the joint program, students may begin their graduate study in the MPH course the summer after their second year of the PharmD program, continue to take MPH courses in the summers, and finish their MPH degree in the two semesters following the conference of the PharmD degree. During the final year at MCPHS University, they would be able to work full time while finishing their MPH.

Curriculum

Students complete the Doctor of Pharmacy as described above. The Master of Public Health courses are delivered online and are completed in summers and in the year following graduation from the PharmD program, as follows.
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A total of 9 semester hours count toward completion of both degree programs. Two MPH electives (6 semester hours) are fulfilled through selection of PPB 538 Global Infectious Diseases and PPB 540 Disease and Conditions That Affect the Older Population as the two professional electives required in the fifth year of the Doctor of Pharmacy curriculum; and the third-year PharmD course PSB 424 Research Methods in Pharmacoepidemiology fulfills the DRA 809 Health Epidemiology requirement in the MPH program.

Total credits: 205 (PharmD); 42 (MPH); 235 (PharmD/MPH)

Residencies in Pharmacy Practice

The School of Pharmacy–Boston offers several residencies in pharmacy practice. These postgraduate programs provide 12 months of intensive practice experience in pharmacy. Residents are appointed as adjunct instructors in the School of Pharmacy–Boston and participate in the teaching program at MCPHS and its clinical affiliates. Further information on these programs may be obtained from the Chair of the Department of Pharmacy Practice.

Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway (Online)

The Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway is designed for qualified practitioners with a BS in pharmacy degree who wish to earn a degree on a part-time basis. It is currently offered in a Web-supported format with online lectures and group discussions, reducing required on-site meeting time to once per semester. This program helps pharmacists learn how to collect and interpret data to design a pharmaceutical care plan for their individual patients in collaboration with other healthcare professionals. Pharmacists learn how to recommend and implement a therapeutic plan; perform ongoing patient evaluations; and document and report new, unusual, or severe adverse drug reactions, drug interactions, or unexpected effects of newly marketed drugs.

Admission

Requests for formal admission into the pathway are obtained from and processed through the Admission Office. The PharmD
Admission Committee in the School of Pharmacy–Boston is responsible for evaluating the applications and making admission decisions. Admission requirements include:

- being a registered pharmacist in the United States;
- working at or having access to a site that provides opportunities to practice pharmaceutical care (e.g., community pharmacy, hospital pharmacy, managed care pharmacy); and
- submitting an application that includes official transcripts from the institution that granted the BS in pharmacy degree, curriculum vitae, short essay stating professional goals and objectives, one letter of recommendation, and the required application fee.

The deadline for submitting application materials to the Admission Office is May 1. The program begins in September. Application packets are available in the Admission Office by November 1. Because seats in the pathway are limited, it is important that applications be returned early in the application period.

**Academic Policies for the Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway**

In addition to the academic policies of the Doctor of Pharmacy program, the following requirements apply to PharmD students in the postbaccalaureate pathway:

- For classes entering prior to 2010, the minimum overall grade point average for graduation from the Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy program is 2.2. If the cumulative grade point average of any student falls below 2.2 after completion of 14 semester hours of credit in the pathway, the student is placed on academic probation and has two semesters to correct the deficiency. Failure to achieve a grade point average of 2.2 following the probationary period is grounds for dismissal from the pathway. For a description of the appeal process, refer to the MCPHS student handbook.

- For classes entering in 2010 and after, the minimum overall grade point average for graduation from the Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy program is 2.7. If the cumulative grade point average of any student falls below 2.7 after completion of 14 semester hours of credit in the pathway, the student is placed on academic probation and has two semesters to correct the deficiency. Failure to achieve a grade point average of 2.7 following the probationary period is grounds for dismissal from the pathway. For a description of the appeal process, refer to the MCPHS student handbook.

- The minimum acceptable grade is C– in courses and modules in the pathway. Courses in which grades below passing are earned must be repeated until the minimum grade level is met. A student may petition to replace a maximum of one repeated course grade in his or her calculated grade point average.

- All didactic coursework must be completed within a period of three years of matriculation into the Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy program, and all program requirements must be completed within four years of matriculation.

**Curriculum: Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway**

The current pathway is organized into three phases that provide for progression toward the terminal educational outcomes. Completion of 37 semester hours of coursework is required to earn the degree.

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**Phase III**

**Pharmacotherapy I, II, III (17 semester hours)**

Three pharmacotherapy courses employ a problem-based approach to pharmacotherapy that involves lectures, literature review, and faculty case discussions. Lectures and faculty discussion are conducted online using textual and audio presentations and interactive discussions. One on-campus meeting will occur each semester for faculty review and student presentations.

**Pharmacotherapy Practice and Seminar I, II, III, IV (7 semester hours)**

Following lectures and faculty discussion, practitioners are asked to apply the therapeutic information to patients using simulated case
histories and/or patients from their work sites (five hours per week in direct patient care activities at an approved work site are required). Efforts are directed at determining appropriate pharmacotherapeutic care plans and detecting and solving patient drug-related problems through a series of evaluations and interventions. Each student is assigned a faculty preceptor who will evaluate and guide the student through patient care assignments and project work each semester. Students also are expected to lead case discussions among their classmates and participate in others’ presentations. Two case presentations are expected each semester. One will be presented online and the second live at the campus-based meetings.

**Project Module (3 semester hours)**

Options for the Project Module include a clinical rotation conducted in the student’s practice site as a major project or a full-time rotation (two two-week rotations or one continuous four-week rotation) under the supervision of an MCPHS faculty member at the faculty member’s practice site.

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**Total credits to complete degree requirements: 37 semester hours**

**Academic Complaint Policy**

It is the policy of the MCPHS School of Pharmacy–Boston (SOP-B) to objectively review student grievances related to academic issues. Students with complaints regarding discrimination are referred to the University discrimination grievance policy. Students with issues or complaints regarding their grade or performance in an individual class are referred to the grade appeals policy. Both policies are in the Academic Policies and Procedures section of this course catalog.

**Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education**

If a student wishes to complain about an issue related to the accreditation standards of the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, the student should follow the procedure detailed below.

1. The student writes a letter detailing the complaint to the School of Pharmacy–Boston Associate Dean for Academic and Professional Affairs.
2. If the associate dean is unable to resolve the issue, he or she forms an ad hoc committee of three faculty members (at least one member from each department) and asks the committee to review the complaint and make a recommendation.
3. The student receives a written response within 30 days.
4. If the student wishes to appeal the decision, he or she may appeal to the SOP-B dean within five days.
5. The dean makes a decision and informs the student within 14 days. The decision of the school dean is final.
6. The SOP-B Dean’s Office keeps a file of all complaints and responses.
Certificate in Advanced Pharmacy Practice Studies

The Certificate in Advanced Pharmacy Practice Studies (CAPPS) is a 65-credit-hour, postbaccalaureate certificate of advanced graduate study. The program may be completed over five semesters on a full-time basis. Semesters I and II are composed of didactic coursework and preparation for both the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Equivalency Examination (FPGEE), which is administered by National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP), as well as the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (NAPLEX). Semesters III through V are composed of pharmacy internships in inpatient and outpatient pharmacy practice settings. Additional presentations are offered during Semester V to assist students in continued preparation for the NAPLEX and Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination (MPJE). During the pharmacy internships, students accumulate the 1,500 hours required for pharmacy licensure by the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

Admission Requirements and Certificate Requirements

For admission to the CAPPS program, an applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Earned a BPharm or PharmD from a five-year or six-year degree program outside the United States
- Registered for the FPGEE
- Achieved a minimum TOEFL score of 79 prior to acceptance

The CAPPS will be awarded to students who have successfully completed 65 semester hours of required coursework and pharmacy internship rotations. Progression to Semesters III–V is contingent upon a minimum passing grade of 70% on all didactic coursework in the CAPPS program. Students must complete pharmacy internship rotation requirements with a minimum passing grade of 70%.

While the CAPPS program is designed to assist students in applying for pharmacy licensure in the United States, it is the responsibility of each student to meet the licensure requirements of NABP and the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy. Students are responsible for achieving (1) a passing score on the FPGEE, as determined by NABP; (2) a passing score on the TOEFL Internet-based Test (iBT), as determined by NABP; and (3) a passing score on NAPLEX and the state law examination, as determined by NABP and the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

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Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Informatics

The Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Informatics program is designed to formalize biomedical informatics education and to bring academic rigor to the application of information technology to improve clinical science and care.

The undergraduate degree in biomedical informatics is designed as a four-year, 130-credit program for students interested in learning the skills required to turn raw data into one of the most valuable assets of healthcare–related industries. The program will prepare students for careers at the intersection of healthcare and information technology and uniquely position its graduates for a number of entry-level positions including programmer, analyst, researcher, quality improvement specialist, quality assurance specialist, consultant, information officer, and others.

To do so, the program will add courses related to programming, software development and deployment processes, and the healthcare information environment to existing MCPHS healthcare–related and general education offerings. In keeping with MCPHS’s educational philosophy, individual courses will strive to be as hands-on as possible. To capitalize on the rich Boston biomedical informatics community, students will be encouraged to participate in an internship program offering opportunities at local hospitals, IT service providers, and pharmaceutical companies.

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Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical and Health Care Business

(Formerly Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Marketing and Management)

This program combines biological and pharmaceutical sciences coursework with marketing and general management studies, preparing students for a variety of careers or for a continuation of their education in postgraduate programs that could include business, science, and regulatory affairs master’s degrees. The BS in Pharmaceutical and Health Care Business provides skills and experience for use in pharmaceutical sales; healthcare and health information management; food, drug, and medical device industry regulatory oversight; and pharmacy distribution systems development and implementation (e.g., wholesaling, contract purchasing, and pharmaco-economic analysis). Graduates find career opportunities within managed care; drug development, manufacturing, and promotion; pharmacy and healthcare information systems; and other areas where an understanding of the intricacies of the pharmaceutical sciences and an appreciation for their business applications are critical.

To meet the residency requirement for this program, students must complete at least 62 semester hours at MCPHS.
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Elective Requirements

Students in the BS in Pharmaceutical and Health Care Business program are required to select a minimum of four elective courses (or at least 12 credits) in the area of business administration, including additional coursework in marketing, management, and accounting, or in a related area of study. The following is a list of acceptable courses. Other courses offered by the Colleges of the Fenway also may be acceptable upon approval of the student’s academic advisor or the program director.

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NOTE: While an industry internship is encouraged as a valuable learning experience, it cannot be guaranteed by the University.

Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences

The BS in Pharmaceutical Sciences program (BSPS) emphasizes specific coursework in the core areas of industrial pharmacy, preparing students for a variety of careers in industry or for a continuation of their education in postgraduate programs that could include pharmaceutics / industrial pharmacy, biotechnology, and regulatory affairs master’s or doctoral degrees. The BSPS degree provides skills
and experience for use in pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and medical device development, formulation, and manufacturing; and in the evaluation and regulatory oversight of the drug and medical device industry. Career opportunities for degree holders will exist within pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and medical device companies; research laboratories; governmental regulatory agencies; and other areas where the application of these skills and capabilities is sought.

Students in the BS in Pharmaceutical Sciences program must have a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.20 at the end of Year II and must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.20 thereafter to remain in good academic standing and to progress in the program. To meet the residency requirements for this program, students must complete at least 63 semester hours at MCPHS.

Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences

Accomplished graduates of the BSPS program may continue their studies for one additional year and earn a Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences degree. This accelerated professional master’s degree program requires 30 semester hours of coursework beyond the BSPS curriculum. Students develop competencies and knowledge in basic laboratory manipulations, experimental record keeping, common analytical equipment, basic experimental design, and technical record keeping and reporting skills. In addition, a required research internship provides valuable experience pertinent to the pharmaceutical industry. BSPS students with a GPA of 2.75 or better may apply for the master’s track at the end of their third year.

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### Total credits to complete degree requirements: 125 semester hours

**Elective Requirements**

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CHE 755 Stereochemistry
CHE 365 Thermodynamics and Kinetics (w/lab)
CHE 367 Quantum Mechanics and Molecular Structure (w/lab)
INF 210 Survey of the Literature of Chemistry
MAT 763 Advanced Statistics
PHY 274 Foundations of Physics II (w/lab)
PSB 333L Introductory Biochemistry Laboratory
PSB 415 Accounting
PSB 423 Pharmaceutical Marketing
PSB 424 Research Methods in Pharmacoeconomics
PSB 425 Health Care Management
PSB 444 Organizational Development
PSB 445 Sales of Pharmaceuticals and Medical Products
PSB 446 Health Care Finance
PSB 453 Experimental Pharmacology
PSB 456 Entrepreneurship

Curriculum: Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences
MAT 763 and PSB 707 in Year IV fulfill 6 semester hours of elective credit for the BS degree. Students must achieve a 3.0 or better GPA in these 700-level courses at the end of the spring semester to remain in the master’s program; a 3.0 GPA is required to remain in good academic standing in the MS program and for graduation.

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Bachelor of Science in Pharmacology and Toxicology

This program provides students with a strong foundation in the pharmacological and toxicological sciences for careers in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology research and development sectors, and also provides an excellent preparation for graduate and professional schools. The program is designed to meet the industrial needs for qualified BS graduates with strong laboratory skills particularly in integrative pharmacology and toxicology. Students have the opportunity to perform a senior (Year IV) research project or industrial internship that enhances their career potential.

Students in the BS in Pharmacology and Toxicology program must have a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.50 at the end of Year II and must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.50 thereafter to remain in good academic standing and to progress in the program. To meet the residency requirement for this program, students must complete at least 63 semester hours at MCPHS.

Curriculum: BS in Pharmacology and Toxicology

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**Total credits to complete degree requirements: 126 semester hours**

**Elective Requirements**

Students in the BS in Pharmacology and Toxicology program are required to select a minimum of two program elective courses (or at least 6 credits) in areas of pharmacology, biotechnology, or toxicology. The following is a list of acceptable courses. Other courses offered by the Colleges of the Fenway also may be acceptable upon approval of the student’s academic advisor or the program director.

**RECOMMENDED**

- BIO 430 Molecular Biology of Cancer
- BIO 734 Immunology
- PSB 210 Economics
- PSB 261 Management
- PSB 359 Marketing
- PSB 375 Fundamentals of Drug Development
- PSB 410 FDA and Regulatory Affairs
- PSB 415 Accounting
- PSB 420 Pharmaceutical Analysis Laboratory
- PSB 430 Pharmacokinetics I
- PSB 432 Pharmacokinetics II
- PSB 440 Molecular Biotechnology
- PSB 444 Organizational Development
- PSB 456 Entrepreneurship
- PSB 530 Undergraduate Research Credit
MCPHS–Boston
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Division of Graduate Studies

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Degree Programs
• MS in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy (Boston and Online)
• MS, PhD in Medicinal Chemistry
• MS, PhD in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy
• MS, PhD in Pharmaceutics
• MS, PhD in Pharmacology
• Master of Clinical Research
• Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences
• Certificate in Health Policy (Boston and Online)
• Certificate in Regulatory Affairs (Boston and Online)

The Division of Graduate Studies is dedicated to the education of advanced students in the pharmaceutical sciences and health sciences. Each graduate program deepens students’ understanding in specialized fields of knowledge to prepare them for leadership roles in higher education, industry, government, and healthcare practice.

Graduate education is highly individualized with respect to both coursework and research requirements. MCPHS requires specific courses relevant to the discipline that enable the student to develop the requisite conceptual and technical competencies needed to initiate meaningful research. Students also must develop the communication skills required to disseminate professional and scientific information. Finally, and most important, graduate students are expected to demonstrate an ever-increasing ability to independently identify and resolve significant problems in their areas of specialization.

Participation in Research

Research, the experimental portion of graduate education, is the major focus of the course of study in general graduate programs and prepares students for their future careers. The advanced degree is awarded after completion of the approved program, which includes a written thesis or dissertation on the student’s research. This research must be an original work of a quality that merits publication following critical peer review. Experienced faculty mentors work closely with students to guide them in their research and other educational endeavors.

Degree Requirements

Master of Science
The master of science (MS) degree is conferred upon graduate students who have mastered the advanced scientific knowledge and basic research methodology in their area of specialization and fulfilled the following basic requirements:
1. Successful completion of a minimum of 30 semester hours of credit at the graduate level, including 3 semester hours of research or a case study thesis
2. Maintenance of a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 for all coursework taken at the University. Transfer credit is not used in the calculation of the GPA.
3. Presentation of an acceptable thesis or case study embodying the results of original research, which has been openly defended and approved by the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee
4. Passing a general oral examination covering the major field and the thesis
5. Spending at least one continuous academic year in residence at the University conducting the student’s thesis research. All graduate students involved in research continue to register for Graduate Extension (PSB 895) until their research is completed and
thesis defended. (This requirement does not apply to the MS in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy.)
6. Completion of all requirements for the MS degree within a period of four years

NOTE: Additional requirements may be established by the individual graduate programs that are included in the program descriptions. The student’s individual program of study is planned jointly with his or her Graduate Advisory Committee, which comprises at least three graduate faculty members.

Doctor of Philosophy
The granting of the doctor of philosophy (PhD) degree is based on evidence of general proficiency and distinctive attainments in a specialized field, particularly on the demonstrated ability to conduct independent and original investigation. For the PhD degree, the student must complete the following basic requirements:
1. A minimum of 50 semester hours at the graduate level and 5 to 7 semester hours of doctoral research. A minimum of 8 semester hours within the minor concentration also may be required. A student who has earned an MS degree from another institution must complete a minimum of 40 semester hours in addition to the other requirements of the PhD program.
2. Maintenance of a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 for all coursework taken at the University. Transfer credit is not used in the calculation of the GPA.
3. Successful completion of qualifying examinations in the major and minor disciplines (areas of concentration). The comprehensive qualifying examinations are determined and conducted by the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee (comprising at least three graduate faculty members, two from the major discipline and one from a different discipline).
4. Presentation of a dissertation that is a contribution to knowledge in the major discipline and that has been openly defended and approved by the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee.
5. Completion of at least one continuous academic year of residence at the University conducting dissertation research. All graduate students involved in research continue to register for Graduate Extension (PSB 895) until their research is completed and dissertation defended.
6. From the date of matriculation into the PhD program, completion of all requirements for the PhD degree within six years following the BS degree or four years if the student transfers credits from an MS degree in the same area.

Additional requirements may include a Special Problems course for students who pursue the PhD directly and bypass the MS. In other cases, a student may be required to demonstrate a competency in an area related to the major or minor. Individual programs of study are jointly determined by the student and his or her Graduate Advisory Committee and specify such requirements.

Programs of Study

Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy (Boston and Online)
The University offers a Master of Science degree in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy (MS in RAHP) with minor concentrations in Pharmaceutical Sciences and Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy, and two graduate certificate programs, one in Regulatory Affairs and the other in Health Policy.
The MS in RAHP offers academic training in the regulation of drugs, devices, and biologics; law; marketing; and health policy to candidates having attained a prior baccalaureate degree or equivalent professional degree. Candidates for this program are those interested in pursuing careers in regulatory affairs, product management, marketing, quality assurance, quality control, and manufacturing, or with federal or state regulatory agencies, clinical research organizations, managed care, or other health-related fields where a knowledge of the regulatory and legal environment is a prerequisite. In addition to the general MS degree requirements described in the MCPHS course catalog, this program may establish additional requirements.

Though the primary emphasis of this program is placed on drug regulatory affairs, other components such as economics, business, policy development, policy analysis, and law also are explored. The program aims to educate a broad range of professionals who are interested in developing expertise in regulatory or health policy areas. Designed as a broad-based learning experience, the curriculum maximizes a multidisciplinary approach to regulatory and policy education. The capstone of this program is the presentation of an acceptable case study thesis that embodies the results of original research and that is openly defended and approved by the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee.

Program Objectives and Outcomes
Upon successful completion of this program, a graduate with an MS in RAHP is able to
• develop a strategy for a medical product that addresses regulatory, financial, clinical, and ethical requirements;
• evaluate and deconstruct regulatory and policy issues concerning pharmaceuticals, medical devices, biologics, or healthcare in an industry or governmental workplace;
• provide regulatory guidance and technical support (i.e., FDA compliance) to members of the healthcare industry and/or regulatory agencies;
• assist pharmaceutical companies in their efforts to gain FDA marketing approval of drugs, medical devices, and biologics by drawing on a comprehensive knowledge base of regulation and policy;
• assist regulatory agencies in evaluating new or existing drugs and medical devices for marketing approval;
• develop, coordinate, and implement drug, device, or healthcare regulatory schema or policy initiatives; and
• demonstrate and incorporate a broad sensitivity to healthcare–related issues and their regulatory or policy implications.

The program utilizes a broad-based, multidisciplinary approach to the learning experience and consists of eight required and two elective courses representing a total of 30 semester hours. Students who wish to complete a thesis may choose DRA 810 Case Study Thesis as one of their electives.

**Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy Program**

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* DRA 810 may be substituted for DRA 814 as a required course.

**Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy Program, with a Minor in Pharmaceutical Sciences**

The minor concentration in Pharmaceutical Sciences enhances the MS in RAHP by providing additional coursework in areas identified as opening additional career pathways and advancement. Candidates desiring this minor concentration are accepted into the MS in RAHP program and will take all courses necessary for that degree as well as an additional 9 credits (3 courses), for a total of 39 credits (13 courses). The MS with minor concentration is available to both international and U.S. students. Students are encouraged to take 3 courses in the fall and spring semesters, finishing in two years.

To apply for the minor in Pharmaceutical Sciences, the applicant proposes a program of study with three courses selected from the following list of graduate-level courses offered by the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences. Acceptance for the minor is subject to satisfaction of prerequisites and advisor approval.

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Master of Science in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy Program, with a Minor in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy

Candidates desiring this minor concentration are accepted into the MS in RAHP program and will take all courses necessary for that degree as well as an additional 9 credits (3 courses), for a total of 39 credits (13 courses). The MS with minor concentration is available to both international and U.S. students. Students complete PEP 802 in the fall of the first year, PEP 803 in the spring of the first year, and PEP 805 in the spring of the second year.

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Graduate Certificates, Regulatory Affairs (Boston and Online)

The graduate certificate program is open to applicants who desire advanced study in regulatory affairs or health policy without a commitment to a master’s degree program. These certificates complement degrees in business administration, nursing, marketing and management, and public health. Each graduate certificate requires three courses and may be completed in less than one year.

Admission requirements are more flexible than those of the degree program. A minimum grade of B in each course is required for award of the certificate.

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Medicinal Chemistry

Advanced degrees in chemistry provide a student with a more thorough knowledge of the behavior of chemical substances at the molecular level. The composition of molecules and their interactions in both a chemical and a physical sense are studied, with the aim of predicting the behavior and properties of new substances. A fundamental understanding of the properties of chemical substances finds application in most frontier areas of biologically related scientific research being conducted in industrial, governmental, and academic laboratories. Programs in chemistry lead to the MS and PhD degrees.

Admission to the chemistry graduate programs requires an undergraduate degree in pharmacy, chemistry, or biology that includes two semesters each of general, organic, and analytical chemistry (one semester of which must include instrumental analysis), physical chemistry, calculus, and physics. Students without these prerequisites may be required to complete American Chemical Society proficiency examinations in general, organic, and/or analytical chemistry during the first semester.

Medicinal chemistry is concerned with the study of those structural, stereochemical, and physical parameters that affect the biological interaction of synthetic and naturally occurring drugs at the molecular level. Research is directed toward a fuller understanding of the pharmacological actions of such substances, leading to improved drug design. Specialization in these programs requires a broad knowledge of organic and heterocyclic chemistry, pharmacy, spectroscopic instrumentation, and pharmacology. Ongoing research programs include the synthesis and evaluation of antiviral and anticancer drugs, the synthesis of new laser dyes, and the isolation and characterization of natural products from plants.

Curriculum by Year for the MS Degree in Medicinal Chemistry

*Year 1—fall*

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The PhD,* in addition to the MS requirements, will include the following:

For entry to the PhD program, students must successfully complete a medicinal chemistry comprehensive exam (MCCE) administered by the medicinal chemistry faculty.

Total credits to complete degree requirements: minimum 50 semester hours

Suggested Elective Courses for MS and PhD Programs

Minor in Pharmaceutics or Pharmacology: a minimum of 8 semester hours must be taken.
Drug Metabolism Minor
A minor in Drug Metabolism integrates the knowledge of drug metabolism, analysis of pharmaceuticals in biological fluids and incubation mixtures, enzyme kinetics, and animal care and use. The suggested courses to complete a Drug Metabolism minor could include a combination of the following courses for a total of 12 semester hours:

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Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy
The graduate program in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy offers a master of science (MS) and a doctor of philosophy (PhD) in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy with specialty tracks or concentrations in Global Pharmaceutical Policy and Pharmaceutical Economics and Outcomes Research. This graduate program offers academic training primarily in the areas of pharmaceutical and health economics and drug and health policy, and also provides related training in outcomes research, regulation, marketing, healthcare administration, pharmacy services research, and pharmacoepidemiology.

The curriculum features advanced didactic and experiential education in the areas of pharmacoeconomic and health policy analysis, pharmacoepidemiologic methods and study designs, advanced biostatistics and database management, health policy and behavioral interventions and their assessment, and the role of pharmaceuticals and medical devices in healthcare and society. The program provides future leaders, educators, and researchers with the knowledge required to enhance access for patient populations to cost-effective pharmaceuticals, biologics, medical devices, and related health services, thus improving the efficiency of the pharmaceutical sector and healthcare systems. Graduates will be prepared for careers in the pharmaceutical, biotech, and medical device industries; hospitals and other institutional healthcare organizations; managed care organizations; pharmacy benefits management; contract research organizations; consulting firms; governments; international organizations; nongovernmental organizations; and academic institutions, among other organizations.

Master of Science
The Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy provides a flexible curriculum for advanced training in pharmaceutical economics and policy, and pharmacy administration. Focus areas of the MS program include pharmaceutical economics and policy, global drug policy, pharmaco-economics and outcomes research, and pharmacy management.

Admission Requirements
- PharmD or BS in pharmacy, bachelor’s degree in a related area (e.g., economics, sociology, or statistics) or a professional degree in medicine, dentistry, nursing, public health, or healthcare administration from an accredited college or university
- TOEFL or IELTS, required of all applicants for whom English is not the primary spoken language. This test requirement may be waived on an individual basis for applicants who have attended all four years of high school in the United States or have an earned degree (bachelor’s or higher) from a U.S. college or university.
- Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0
- Minimum GRE (Graduate Record Examination, General Test) scores of 1100 total Verbal and Quantitative, and 3.5 in the Analytical Writing Section for Graduate Programs

Degree Requirements
- Successful completion of a minimum of 30 semester hours at the graduate level, including a minimum of 4 semester hours in thesis research
- Maintenance of a cumulative GPA of 3.0 for all coursework taken at the University. The minimum grade for passing a course is B.
- Presentation of an acceptable thesis embodying the results of original research that has been openly defended and approved by the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee
- Successful completion of at least one continuous academic year in residence at the University conducting thesis research
- Successful completion of all requirements for the MS degree within a period of four years
Doctor of Philosophy

The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy is designed to train independent researchers who will assume leadership positions in national and international pharmaceutical economics and policy careers, with focus areas in pharmaceutical economics and policy, global drug policy, and pharmacoconomics and outcomes research.

Admission Requirements

- PharmD or an earned master’s degree or higher degree in a related area (e.g., economics, sociology, or statistics), or a professional degree in medicine, dentistry, nursing, public health, or healthcare administration from an accredited college or university. Students currently enrolled in the PEP MS degree program may apply to the PhD program after their first year in the MS program.
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Degree Requirements

- Successful completion of a minimum of 50 semester hours at the graduate level, including a minimum of 10 semester hours in dissertation research and a minimum of 15 semester hours in a specialty track or area of concentration. A student who has earned an MS degree from another institution must complete a minimum of 40 semester hours in addition to the other requirements of the PhD program.
- Maintenance of a cumulative GPA of 3.0 for all coursework taken at the University. The minimum grade for passing a course is B.
- Successful completion of qualifying examinations
- Presentation of a dissertation that is a contribution of unique knowledge to the discipline and that has been openly defended and approved by the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee
- Completion of at least one continuous academic year in residence at the University conducting dissertation research
- Completion of all requirements for the PhD degree within a period of six years

MS in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy

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Global Pharmaceutical Policy track/concentration
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Required course for international students: PSB 320 Introduction to Health Care Delivery

Pharmaceutics

MS and PhD programs in pharmaceutics are intended to prepare students for positions of responsibility in education, government, and the pharmaceutical industries. The programs are designed to provide an appropriate balance between the theoretical and practical aspects of the area of specialization, which enables the student to be immediately productive yet prepared for future growth and development.

Admission to the pharmaceutics graduate programs requires an undergraduate degree in pharmacy, chemistry, or biology that includes two semesters each of general, organic, and analytical chemistry (one semester of which must include instrumental analysis), physical chemistry, calculus, and physics. Holders of undergraduate degrees in nonpharmacy areas are required to complete the following pharmacy courses for no credit: Physical Pharmacy, Dosage Forms, Biopharmaceutics, and Pharmacokinetics.

The student is exposed to a broad range of theory and concepts, intended to promote a firm understanding of the materials and technologies associated with pharmaceutical product development, manufacture, and evaluation. The program encompasses the study of pharmaceutical dosage forms, the release of a drug from the dosage form, drug dissolution, drug absorption, bioavailability, and pharmacokinetics. Pharmacokinetics involves the study of the rates of drug absorption, distribution, and elimination, and the quantitative relationship of these rates to drug therapy and/or toxicity.

Research projects have typically involved development of new drug products, novel dosage forms, the release of a drug from new dosage forms, preformulation investigation of new drug entities, and pharmacokinetics.
Master of Science in Pharmaceutics Program

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Total credits to complete degree requirements: 30 semester hours

Doctoral Program in Pharmaceutics

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* Time and credit approved by major professor

Total credits to complete degree requirements: 50 semester hours

NOTE: A minimum of one semester of physical chemistry (thermodynamics and kinetics) is required prior to acceptance. CHEM 331 Thermodynamics and Kinetics, or its equivalent, may be taken concurrently at Simmons College without graduate credit.

Elective Courses for MS and PhD Programs

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Pharmacology

Pharmacology is the medical science that involves all facets of the action of drugs and environmental chemicals on biological systems and their constituent parts. This includes everything from the intermolecular reactions of chemical compounds within a cell to the evaluation of the effectiveness of a drug in the prevention, treatment, or diagnosis of human disease. Pharmacology offers unique opportunities to contribute to the knowledge, well-being, and survival of mankind.

Admission to the pharmacology graduate program requires an undergraduate degree in pharmacy, chemistry, or biology. While formal training in pharmacology and human physiology at the undergraduate level is helpful, it is not required for admission. Students who are deficient in these areas are required to audit the undergraduate course sequences in pharmacology / medicinal chemistry and/or physiology.

Programs leading to the degrees of MS and PhD are offered for graduate study in pharmacology. Each comprises two major components: (1) coursework in specific disciplines such as pharmacology, physiology, biochemistry, medicinal chemistry, and related disciplines, and (2) training in research and the scientific method.

The programs prepare students for positions of leadership and responsibility in academic, industrial, and government settings. Theoretical and experiential situations in which pharmacological information may be applied are provided to help students develop an innovative and creative approach to problem solving.

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**Doctoral Program in Pharmacology**

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The broad focus of the program, including bioethics and regulations, product (drug, device, biologic, etc.) development, biostatistics, research methodology, protocol design, proposal development, clinical trial management, and pharmacovigilance, is designed to address the educational needs of many different career paths within the pharmaceutical healthcare field.

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* PSB 320 Introduction to Health Care Delivery (3 semester hours) is a prerequisite for international students.

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### Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences

The Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences is an accelerated professional masters program with 30 semester hours of coursework that serves as addendum to the existing Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences (BSPS) program. Students of the BSPS program who meet the acceptance criteria transition into MPS and graduate with a masters qualification a year after completing the BSPS program. The MPS program builds on competencies introduced in the BSPS program with an emphasis on advanced skills in research laboratory procedures and record keeping. Students are trained in advanced analytical techniques and experimental design relevant to the
pharmaceutical industry. A semester long research internship is required for graduation and is intended to provide additional training and access to potential employment opportunities (refer to the BSPS program for the curriculum and pathway into the Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences program.)
More information specific to the Worcester campus may be found in the following sections: Facilities, Interinstitutional Cooperation, and Student Services.

Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene
Linda D. Boyd, RDH, RD, LD, EdD, Professor and Dean
Christine Dominick, CDA, RDA, MOcEd, Professor and Associate Dean
Associate Professor Jenkins; Assistant Professors Chadbourne, Giblin, LaSpina, Rainchuso; Instructors August, Perry, Smethers

School of Physical Therapy
Linda Tsoumas, PT, MS, EdD, Professor and Dean
Associate Professors Charrette, Inacio, Kucharski-Howard; Assistant Professors Babin, Elliott, Kistner, McGovern, von der Luft

Degree Program
Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene

The Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene Worcester satellite clinic and academic program is a new addition to the University and is located at 10 Lincoln Square on the Worcester campus. This newly renovated 250,000-square-foot building offers fantastic amenities and an independent style of city living. Lincoln Square has furnished rooms with private baths, parking, a fitness center, a dining hall, an outdoor patio, and green space. It is also home to the MCPHS University Dental Hygiene Clinic, Eye and Vision Center, and 10 Optical, a complete retail store, all of which are open to the public. The accelerated Postbaccalaureate BS 16-month dental hygiene program is available at this site. All didactic courses are provided through distance education technologies originating from either Boston or Worcester. Faculty travel from the Boston and Worcester sites regularly to meet with students and provide face-to-face instruction.

A student who holds a baccalaureate degree or higher from an accredited college or university may pursue the accelerated 16-month Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene program. The candidate for this program must have completed the prerequisite college courses listed below. An official college/university transcript will be reviewed to determine eligibility for transfer credits. The student in the Postbaccalaureate BS program takes courses in dental hygiene theory and practice, and receives clinical instruction in the MCPHS University Esther M. Wilkins Dental Hygiene Clinic. Upon successful completion of the program, the student becomes eligible for dental hygiene licensure examinations.

Prerequisites for the Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science program include the following:

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Department of Dental Hygiene

DHY 231  DentalMaterials (w/lab)  3
DHY 232  Nutrition*  2

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* If not completed prior to matriculation

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Total institutional credits to complete degree requirements: 61–63 semester hours

Students will graduate with a BS in dental hygiene following successful credit transfer of any college prerequisites and completion of the required dental hygiene courses listed above.

Degree Program

Doctor of Physical Therapy

The entry-level Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program on the Worcester campus prepares graduates to develop the advanced knowledge and skills required for contemporary physical therapy practice. The curriculum includes the elements of foundational sciences, clinical sciences, evidence-based practice, professional roles and practice issues, healthcare systems, and management competencies in the educational preparation of physical therapists. The coursework is designed to reinforce and build on each element so that the student can synthesize and apply the learned material to a variety of clinical, research, and management situations.

This postbaccalaureate program builds on the knowledge acquired from an undergraduate education and has two components: didactic and clinical. Through the didactic component, students acquire the knowledge and skills and develop the attitudes and professional behaviors needed for physical therapy practice. In the clinical education component, students apply their knowledge, skills, attitudes, and professional behaviors in clinical settings away from MCPHS. The clinical education component accounts for about one-third of the curriculum.

The curriculum for the entry-level DPT program has a total of 121 semester hours with approximately 36 weeks of clinical education. The program is made up of five concentration areas: Foundations of PT Practice (31 semester hours), Evidence in PT Practice (8
semester hours), Professional Issues in PT Practice (8 semester hours), Patient/Client management (39 semester hours), and Clinical Education (35 semester hours).

**Admission Prerequisites**
- Bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited postsecondary institution in the United States
- Minimum overall grade point average (GPA) and prerequisite GPA of 3.0 or better (on a 4.0 scale)
- Minimum grade of B– in all prerequisite courses
- Two letters of recommendation; one professional and one academic preferred
- Résumé
- GRE (Graduate Record Examination)
- Personal statement (500 to 1,000 words)
- On-campus faculty interview (by invitation only)
- Minimum of 10 hours of physical therapy exposure/experience documented from the clinical setting, not time as a patient
- Official TOEFL (minimum of 213 computer-based or 79 iBT) or IELTS (minimum 6.5) scores for all applicants whose primary language is not English
- Official transcripts from international colleges or universities submitted to the Center for Educational Documentation (CED), Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc. (ECE), or World Education Services (WES) for a course-by-course evaluation. MCPHS requires both the official international transcript(s) and an evaluated copy.

**Prerequisite Coursework**
- General biology I and II with labs (8 semester hours)
- General chemistry I and II with labs (8 semester hours)
- Anatomy and physiology I and II with labs (8 semester hours)
- Physics I and II with labs (8 semester hours)
- Exercise physiology with lab (3 semester hours)
- Calculus preferred, precalculus accepted (3 semester hours)
- Statistics (3 semester hours)
- Introduction to psychology (3 semester hours)
- Behavioral science elective (3 semester hours)

All math and science prerequisites must have been completed within the last 10 years.

**Essential Functions**
The practice of physical therapy includes the examination, diagnosis, and treatment of people with physical disabilities, movement dysfunction, and pain. Physical therapists must be prepared to conduct in a timely manner a relevant patient examination, evaluate the results of this examination, and synthesize these data to establish an accurate diagnosis, prognosis, and plan of care; implement an intervention; and use the process of reexamination to assess patient outcomes. Physical therapists must also possess the skills necessary to determine when referral of the patient/client to another healthcare professional is appropriate. Physical therapists must provide evidence that the care that they provide is effective, often through the conduct of clinically based research.

**DPT students must be able to complete the following:**
- Participation in all required aspects of classroom and laboratory activities
- Participation in all required aspects of clinical experience activities
- Effective communication with other students, instructors, assistive personnel, patients, family members, payors, and other healthcare professionals
- Maintenance of a safe environment for other individuals and for one’s self, including use of universal precautions
- Provision of emergency patient care, including but not limited to cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)
- Completion of elements of patient/client management, including examination, evaluation of data, formulation of physical therapy diagnosis and prognosis, intervention, assessment of outcomes, and record keeping
- Completion of specific patient/client interventions and treatments, including patient and family education, application of modalities, therapeutic exercise, and functional training

Clinical agencies may have additional or agency-specific technical standards, which take precedence over MCPHS technical standards. The Commission on Accreditation of Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) accredits professional physical therapy programs and requires that graduates of these programs be able to deliver entry-level clinical services. Graduates of entry-level programs are required to possess a broad base of knowledge and skills requisite for the practice of physical therapy. Physical therapists require the *intellectual-communication, behavioral-social, observational, and motor* abilities to meet the standard of practice.
Certain disabilities can interfere with a student’s ability to complete the program of study and acquire the essential functions necessary for the practice of physical therapy. Reasonable accommodation can be made to compensate for some limitations. However, those that interfere with patient care or safety, or require the use of an intermediary may be incompatible with independent professional practice.

**Technical Standards**

**Intellectual-Communication Abilities**

Intellectual skills include the ability to recall and comprehend large amounts of didactic information and to apply this information to the examination, evaluation, and management of routine and complex physical therapy problems. Effective communication skills enable the physical therapist to elicit appropriate information from patients and to effectively explain examination and treatment procedures. Some of the skills an individual must be able to demonstrate include but are not limited to the ability to:

- communicate clearly and in a timely manner with patients, physicians, other health professionals, community or professional groups, and colleagues;
- report clearly, legibly, and in a timely manner through progress notes in patient charts, reports to physicians, insurance forms, and order forms;
- respond to such things as a patient calling from behind a curtain, warning calls from anyone, and machine alarms; and
- participate in group meetings to deliver and receive information and to respond to questions from a variety of sources.

**Behavioral-Social Attributes**

Students must demonstrate the ability to practice in a professional and ethical manner and possess the emotional stability to practice in a stressful work environment. Compassion, integrity, concern for others, interpersonal skills, cultural competence, and motivation are all personal attributes associated with the practice of physical therapy. Some of the skills an individual must be able to demonstrate include but are not limited to the ability to:

- recognize and respond appropriately to individuals of all ages, genders, races, and socio-economic, religious, and cultural backgrounds;
- cope with the stress of heavy workloads, demanding patients, and life-threatening clinical situations; and
- recognize and respond appropriately to potentially hazardous situations.

**Observational Skills**

Observation is one of the key tools that a physical therapist possesses. To gather data on patient/client condition and to appropriately manipulate machinery are critical to being an effective physical therapist. Some of the skills an individual must be able to demonstrate include but are not limited to the ability to:

- observe and interpret patient movement, skin condition, safety hazards, and changes in appearance; and
- read and interpret equipment dials, assessment graphs, patient charts, professional literature, and notes from patients, physicians, and other health professionals.

**Motor Skills**

The practice of physical therapy requires that the practitioner possess the ability to perform basic evaluative and therapeutic procedures that require specific physical skills and stamina (e.g., palpation, transfers, gait training). A therapist must be able to use vision and somatic sensation in the evaluation and treatment of patients. Some of the skills an individual must be able to demonstrate include but are not limited to the ability to:

- lift, carry, and push patients (150 lbs.) in bed or wheelchairs, heavy equipment, body parts, and patients transferring from bed to chair or mat, or be able to instruct others in the activity, including proper body mechanics;
- walk and balance well enough to help patients walk and transfer with or without equipment, and prevent injury to patient and self;
- palpate anatomical structures and handle injured body parts without causing injury to the subject;
- exhibit sufficient manual dexterity to manipulate very small equipment, provide support and resistance as needed through complex exercise movements, perform CPR, manipulate dials, and treat acutely ill patients without disturbing sensitive monitoring instruments and lines; and
- provide for the patient’s safety and well-being in all therapeutic or transporting activities.

**Professional Behaviors**

In addition to knowledge and skill acquisition, the process of becoming a professional involves developing competence in professional behavior. Students are expected to display professional behavior at all times including during clinical education experiences. This includes displaying a professional demeanor in interactions and boundaries with patients and their families, clinical staff, peers, faculty, and the public at all times in consideration of their representation of the profession of physical therapy and MCPHS. The 10 requisite professional behaviors are defined below.

Any student demonstrating unprofessional behavior will be referred to the PT Professional and Academic Review Committee.

**Definitions**

**Critical thinking** The ability to question logically, identify, generate, and evaluate elements of logical argument; recognize and
differentiate facts, appropriate or faulty inferences, and assumptions; and distinguish relevant from irrelevant information. The ability to appropriately utilize, analyze, and critically evaluate scientific evidence to develop a logical argument, and to identify and determine the impact of bias on the decision-making process.

**Communication** The ability to communicate effectively (i.e., verbal, nonverbal, reading, writing, and listening) for varied audiences and purposes.

**Problem solving** The ability to recognize and define problems, analyze data, develop and implement solutions, and evaluate outcomes.

**Interpersonal skills** The ability to interact effectively with patients, families, colleagues, other healthcare professionals, and the community in a culturally aware manner.

**Responsibility** The ability to be accountable for the outcomes of personal and professional actions and to follow through on commitments that encompass the profession within the scope of work, community, and social responsibilities.

**Professionalism** The ability to exhibit appropriate professional conduct and to represent the profession effectively while promoting the growth/development of the physical therapy profession.

**Use of constructive feedback** The ability to seek out and identify quality sources of feedback, reflect on and integrate the feedback, and provide meaningful feedback to others.

**Effective use of time and resources** The ability to manage time and resources effectively to obtain the maximum possible benefit.

**Stress management** The ability to identify sources of stress and to develop and implement effective coping behaviors. This applies to interactions with self, patients/clients and their families, and members of the healthcare team in work/life scenarios.

**Commitment to learning** The ability to self-direct learning to include the identification of needs and sources of learning, and to continually seek and apply new knowledge, behaviors, and skills.


**Academic Standards for DPT Program**

A minimum grade of B– is required for all physical therapy (PTH-designated) courses in the DPT curriculum. Any courses designated as pass/fail must be passed in order to progress with the DPT curriculum.

The minimum passing grade for all cumulative practical examinations is 80% or B–.

All DPT courses must be taken in the specified sequence of the curriculum.

An individual PTH course may be repeated only once. A second failed attempt with a grade below the B– standard will result in dismissal from the DPT program.

Throughout the DPT program, a student may repeat no more than two separate DPT courses. Failure of a third PTH course will result in dismissal from the DPT program.

**Progression and Retention**

Progression in the DPT program is dependent upon the student’s maintaining a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 and a semester GPA of 3.0 as the student progresses.

To progress within both the didactic and the clinical phase of the program, students must achieve a final course grade of B– or better, or a pass for a pass/fail course. In all PTH-designated courses, obtaining a course grade of less than a B– or a fail results in a student’s having to repeat the course, which stops progression through the program (i.e., results in nonprogression status) because DPT courses are offered only once a year. The student will decelerate to a class cohort that is targeted to graduate later than the student’s original cohort. A physical therapy student may be placed on nonprogression status only once during his or her tenure in the School of Physical Therapy (SOP) DPT program. A student who receives a second nonprogression status in a subsequent semester will be dismissed from the Physical Therapy program.

Students who fail a professional course are required to repeat the course prior to progressing in the curriculum. Students who fail a clinical education experience may be required to complete PTH 685 prior to completing their clinical education experience. Progression is subject to clinical placement availability. (NOTE: There is no guarantee that space will be available at the desired time of return of the student; it may take up to two years for reentry due to lack of clinical placement availability.)

If a student is unable to progress in a professional course or clinical education after two attempts, the student will be referred to the DHS Academic Standing Committee with a recommendation for dismissal.

Students must complete the requirements for the DPT degree within five years from initial matriculation. If this time limit in the DPT program has elapsed and the student has not completed degree requirements, the student must request an extension in writing and meet with the Dean of the School of Physical Therapy, who may approve or deny the extension request. Final appeals are to the Vice President of Academic Affairs / Provost.
Policy for Reentry and Content Validation after Nonprogression or Leave of Absence

Students who are not continuously enrolled in the sequence of the DPT curriculum for a period of one semester or more, or who withdraw from the DPT program via leave of absence, must validate previous knowledge and skills held prior to program exit before they may reenroll in SOPT courses. Reenrollment is subject to clinical placement availability. (NOTE: There is no guarantee that space will be available at the desired time of return of the student; it may take up to two years for reentry due to lack of clinical placement availability.)

In order to ensure that all students are competent and safe in the delivery and application of patient care, any student who has not been continuously enrolled must, at the discretion of the faculty, demonstrate identified clinical competency. The validation will occur via the student’s demonstration of knowledge and skills, that is, meeting established program clinical competencies. The student must notify the Dean of Physical Therapy by March 1 for fall start, February 1 for May start, and October 1 for January start to make arrangements for preparing for and performing validation testing. Students attempting to return from a leave of absence must also be cleared to return to classes by designated staff in Academic Support Services and the Dean of Students (if a medical leave of absence) prior to performing validation testing. Academic Support Services will notify the Dean of the SOPT when the student is eligible to take the validation test.

SOPT faculty will provide guidance as to the content and skills (competencies) to be reviewed by the student prior to the testing. The validation testing consists of testing to assess knowledge and clinical skills taught prior to the semester of anticipated reentry. It is the student’s responsibility to prepare for the validation testing. If a student fails the validation test, he or she must enroll in a directed study to remediate, followed by a second validation test, prior to reentering the program. Students must pass the validation testing with a minimum grade of B–, at the 80% level, in order to reenter the SOPT curriculum. Failure to pass the second validation test after a directed study will result in dismissal from the Physical Therapy program.

Taking the directed study course will delay the student’s reentry for at least one semester but likely for one year (or more if there is no clinical space available). The number of semester credits assigned to the directed study course will vary (1–3 semester credits) depending upon the number of semesters successfully completed in the program. If the student completed two or fewer semesters, 1 credit will be assigned; if three or four semesters, 2 credits; and if more than four semesters, 3 credits. Students may not take any program professional courses until the directed study has been successfully completed.

Application for the DPT program is through the Physical Therapy Centralized Application Service (PTCAS) at ptcas.org.

Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education

The Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program on the Worcester campus has been granted Candidate for Accreditation status by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) of the American Physical Therapy Association (1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314; tel.: 703.706.3245; email: accreditation@apta.org). Candidacy is not an accreditation status nor does it assure eventual accreditation. Candidate for Accreditation is a preaccreditation status of affiliation with CAPTE that indicates the program is progressing toward accreditation.

Curriculum: Doctor of Physical Therapy

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Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (BSN)

Accelerated 16-Month Curriculum (Worcester Campus)

Designed specifically for students with a bachelor’s degree in another field, this accelerated 16-month program of study provides a fast-track option for students ready for a challenging transition to a career as a BSN registered nurse. Building on previous learning and experience gained from the student’s first bachelor’s degree, the 16-month program of study mirrors the Boston-based program’s professional major, guiding students toward gaining the knowledge, skills, competencies, and values required to practice as a registered nurse in the 21st century. Program instruction is conducted in state-of-the-art facilities at the MCPHS Worcester campus with clinical experiences in selected hospital and community agencies in the Greater Worcester and MetroWest regions.

The accelerated BSN track is offered in a 16-month year-round format with a January or September admission. For September admission, please see the Manchester course schedule. The January-admission program consists of a 15-week spring semester, a 12-week summer session, and a 15-week fall semester; the final phase consists of a 15-week spring semester, concluding in May of the second year. The program requires a total of 122 semester hours of credit for completion. In order to be eligible for the program, the student must possess a prior BS or BA degree and have completed the following prerequisite coursework with a minimum grade of C within the past 10 years (see below for specific semester hour requirements): chemistry (with lab), anatomy and physiology (with lab), microbiology (with lab), statistics, and human development. Those students with a baccalaureate degree will not be required to meet the MCPHS general education core requirements. A maximum of 58 semester hours of credit will be awarded upon matriculation for a prior BS or BA degree from a regionally accredited college or university in fulfillment of MCPHS core curriculum requirements. Upon completion of the program, students will be eligible to sit for the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN).

NOTE: An exception to the policy that no course examinations or graded assignments worth more than 15 percent of final course grade may be scheduled during the week before final examinations exists for Nursing courses. Major graded assignments or exams may be administered the week before the final week of the course. A reading day (scheduled only on a weekday, no Saturday or Sunday) will be provided between the end of scheduled classes / clinical rotations and the administration of any final exams.

Curriculum by Year: BSN
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Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences / Postbaccalaureate BSN Dual Degree (Online)

The Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences (BSHS) / Postbaccalaureate BSN Dual Degree program provides a pathway to nursing for students not yet holding a BS degree but interested in joining the Postbaccalaureate BSN. The program will allow students to earn a BSHS while at the same time completing some BSN courses that can then be used in the Postbaccalaureate BSN. The only students who will be considered for this dual degree option are those who can fully complete prerequisites prior to matriculation.

A cumulative 3.0 grade point average (GPA) in the 83 semester hours of preprofessional and health sciences courses is preferred prior to admission to the BSN courses. A 2.7 GPA is required for progression and graduation in the BSN curriculum.

Preprofessional and Core Curriculum Courses (Completion prior to admission is required)

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Total for BSHS/BSN dual degree: 147 semester hours

School of Nursing BSN Academic Policies

Academic Progression
A minimum grade of C (2.0) is required in all professional Nursing courses.

A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.7 is required.

Successful completion of both the theory and the clinical laboratory/practicum in a clinical Nursing course is required to pass the course.

A failed individual Nursing course may be repeated only once. A second grade less than C in the repeated course will result in dismissal from the Nursing program. Throughout the Nursing program, a student may repeat no more than two separate Nursing courses. Three grades below C in any combination of Nursing courses also will result in dismissal from the Nursing program.

Professional courses (designated NUR) may not be taken pass/fail.

CPR Certification
All students must complete CPR training prior to beginning clinical experiences in NUR 325 Provider of Care I: Adult and Elder Health. Students must be certified in Basic Cardiac Life Support (BCLS) at the Healthcare Provider Level by the American Heart Association (AHA). Students must provide a copy of the AHA Healthcare Provider Level card indicating active certification (AHA requires recertification every two years). It is recommended that the student verify the course in advance to ensure that the course is appropriate.
Transportation
Reliable transportation to, from, and during all clinical and field experiences is the responsibility of the student. A number of clinical rotations in the required curriculum may be scheduled at some distance from the campus. This is necessary to provide a range of diverse learning experiences and to ensure availability and quality of clinical rotation sites. The University will make every effort to accommodate requests regarding assignments to experiential education sites, but students generally can expect to be assigned to clinical sites some distance from the campus for at least a portion of their required clinical rotations. In such instances, students are responsible for transportation and other related travel expenses.

Licensure
Students who successfully complete the program will be eligible to sit for the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN).

Employment
Due to the rigorous and accelerated nature of the Nursing program, the demands placed on students are extremely high, particularly with respect to their clinical rotation schedule and associated student requirements. It is for this reason that students are strongly discouraged from engaging in any outside, non-program-related employment throughout the program of study.

School of Nursing Professional and Technical Standards
A prelicensure candidate for the BSN degree must have abilities and skills in four areas: communication, observation, motor function and endurance, and behavior. Reasonable accommodations may be made for some disabilities. However, prelicensure BSN students must be able to perform in a reasonably independent manner, with or without accommodations.

Communication
• Must be able to communicate effectively with patients, families, and members of the healthcare team through oral, written, and interpersonal means
• Must be able to obtain information, describe patient situations, and perceive both oral and nonverbal communication (including the ability to understand normal speech without seeing the speaker’s face)
• Must be able to speak, comprehend, read, and write in English at a level that meets the need for accurate, clear, and effective communication. Examples include but are not limited to giving clear oral reports, reading watches or clocks with second hands, reading graphs, reading and understanding documents printed in English, writing legibly in English, and discriminating subtle differences in medical terminology.

Observation
• Must be able to observe a patient accurately. Examples include but are not limited to listening to heart and breath sounds; visualizing the appearance of a surgical wound; detecting bleeding, unresponsiveness, or other changes in patient status; detecting the presence of a foul odor; and palpating an abdomen.
• Must be able to detect and respond to emergency situations, including audible alarms (e.g., monitors, call bells, fire alarms)

Motor Function and Endurance
• Must have sufficient strength and mobility to work effectively and safely with patients and to carry out related nursing care. Examples include but are not limited to lifting and positioning patients (lifting up to 50 pounds, carrying up to 25 pounds), transferring patients in and out of bed, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (AHA Healthcare Provider Level), preparation and administration of medications (oral, injection, and intravenous including hanging IV bags at shoulder height), reading and emptying body fluid collection devices below bed level, application of pressure to stop bleeding, clearing/opening an obstructed airway, and provision of daily hygiene care.
• Must be able to complete assigned periods of clinical practice, including up to 12-hour shifts (including days, evenings, nights, weekends)
• Must be able to respond at a speed sufficient to carry out patient assignments within the allotted time

Behavior
• Must possess the mental and emotional health required for total utilization of intellectual abilities
• Must be able to tolerate physically taxing workloads
• Must be able to respond and function effectively during stressful situations
• Must be capable of adapting to rapidly changing environments and of responding with flexibility in uncertain situations
• Must be able to interact appropriately with others (patients, families, members of the healthcare team) in various healthcare contexts

ADN to Master of Science in Nursing Bridge Program (Online)
The ADN to Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Bridge consists of six courses (20 credits) designed to “bridge” the differences between the educational preparation of the associate degree (AD) nurse and the baccalaureate nurse. These six courses will be completed
prior to the student’s matriculation into the MSN Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) or MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses program. The Bridge is an entry option to the MSN program for nurses without a bachelor’s degree. A bachelor’s degree in nursing will not be awarded upon completion of the Bridge curriculum. The Bridge courses complement the education of the AD-prepared nurse, develop the educational competencies of the baccalaureate nurse, and prepare the student for graduate-level education. Students must maintain an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 in the Bridge courses in order to matriculate into the MSN-FNP or MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses program. The MSN program provides a high-quality education that prepares nurses to become competent, ethical, and compassionate nurse practitioners who will provide primary care to patients across the lifespan.

**MCPHS Required Nursing Courses**

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**ADN to MSN Bridge Program Admission Requirements**

- An earned AD from a state-approved program
- 42 approved transfer credits (see Arts and Sciences prerequisite courses below)
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 (on a 4.0 scale) in Arts and Sciences courses and a cumulative GPA of 2.7 (on a 4.0 scale) in prelicensure Nursing courses
- A Massachusetts RN license to practice nursing (or eligibility)
- Official transcripts
- A résumé or curriculum vitae
- Two reference letters (one professional and one academic)
- A personal statement (500 to 1,000 words)

Forty-four (44) nontransferable transfer credits will be awarded to the licensed nurse upon matriculation into the MCPHS Bridge program. There is no time limit on accepting science courses for registered nurses. Formal matriculation into the MSN-FNP or MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses program requires the completion of the six MCPHS Nursing Bridge courses with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).

**Arts and Sciences Prerequisite Courses**

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Master of Science in Nursing Program (Online)

The primary goal of the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) degree program is to prepare the graduate nurse to meet ever-changing healthcare needs. The MSN curriculum is based on the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Core Curriculum for an MSN program, including health promotion and disease prevention; human diversity and social issues; theoretical foundation of nursing practice; professional role development; research, ethics, and policy; and organization and financing of healthcare. Upon the completion of the MSN program, students will be able to

• provide safe, effective, culturally competent, and advanced nursing care to individuals and families across the lifespan as a member of an interdisciplinary team and in the context of community;
• integrate the core competencies of research, diversity, healthcare policy, ethics, health promotion and disease prevention, and theoretical foundations of nursing in the advanced nursing practice role;
• demonstrate a leadership role in the profession of nursing;
• fulfill a nurse educator role; and
• engage in ongoing nursing knowledge development to guide practice.

The MSN program offers (1) an MSN Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) degree option, for which candidates complete all FNP core courses plus three family health nursing courses, which include 630 clinical hours, and (2) an MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses option that provides the graduate with a fuller understanding of the discipline of nursing and the ability to engage in higher-level practice and leadership in a variety of settings.

Admission Criteria

MSN applicants must show proof of having attained a baccalaureate degree in nursing and/or successful completion of the MCPHS ADN to MS in Nursing Bridge program. Some undergraduate studies may be credited, provided the student can demonstrate that he or she has had significant professional experience in a similar or related field.

Candidates whose primary language is not English will be required to have a minimum TOEFL score of 550.

Degree Requirements

All students must complete the required 37 or 42 credit hours and maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.

The required courses for completion of the MSN program are as follows:

**MSN Family Nurse Practitioner**

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**MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses**

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MCPHS–Worcester
School of Optometry

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Jeanette M. Sewell, OD, Associate Professor and Associate Dean for Clinical Programs
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Degree Program

Doctor of Optometry (OD)

The Doctor of Optometry (OD) program on the Worcester campus offers a student-oriented, learner-centered program designed to provide a world-class education. The four-year program uses the latest in instructional and clinical technology to assure that its graduates possess a state-of-the-art education necessary to diagnose and manage the wide variety of ocular and systemic conditions encountered in today's diverse clinical settings. The program features clinically relevant instruction and patient care; dedicated faculty who place a high importance on teaching, advising, and individual student development; and clinical experiences in selected facilities in on-campus optometric and ophthalmologic clinics as well as Veterans' Administration Centers, health departments, hospitals, and community agencies in and beyond the Greater Worcester region.

Admission Prerequisites

- Bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited postsecondary institution in the United States strongly recommended; a minimum of 90 semester hours or 135 quarter hours of college education must be completed prior to matriculation.
- Recommended minimum overall grade point average (GPA) and prerequisite GPA of 3.0 or better (on a 4.0 scale)
- Minimum grade of C in all prerequisite courses
- Completed Optometry Centralized Application Service (OptomCAS) application
- Optometry Admission Test (OAT) report; score of 300 or higher recommended
- Two letters of recommendation; one professional and one academic preferred
- Résumé
- Personal statement (500 to 1,000 words)
- Evidence of familiarity with optometry (shadowing a practitioner, volunteer work in optometric offices, etc.)
- Official Advanced Placement (AP) or College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) scores, if applicable (transfer credit granted for AP scores of 4 or 5 and CLEP scores of 50 or higher)
- Official TOEFL (minimum of 213 computer-based or 79 iBT) or IELTS (minimum 6.5) scores for all applicants whose primary language is not English
- Official transcripts from non-U.S. secondary schools, colleges, or universities submitted to World Education Services (WES) for a course-by-course evaluation.

Prerequisite Coursework

- General biology I and II with labs (8 semester hours)
- Microbiology with lab (4 semester hours)
- General chemistry I and II with labs (8 semester hours)
- Organic chemistry with lab (4 semester hours)
- Physics I and II with labs (8 semester hours)
- Calculus (3 semester hours)
- English (6 semester hours)
- Psychology (3 semester hours)
- Statistics (3 semester hours)
- Biochemistry (3 semester hours) (not required but strongly recommended)

All math and science prerequisites must have been completed within the last 10 years.

Accreditation Council on Optometric Education

The Doctor of Optometry program on the Worcester campus has been granted the preaccreditation classification of Preliminary Approval by the Accreditation Council on Optometric Education (ACOE), 243 N. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63141; tel.: 800.365.2219. The classification of Preliminary Approval is granted to a professional optometric degree program that has clearly demonstrated it is developing in accordance with ACOE standards.
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Total credits to complete degree requirements: 174 semester hours

**Doctor of Optometry / Master of Public Health Dual Degree (OD/MPH)**

This program option enables matriculated OD students to also earn a master of public health degree.
Optometrists with training and experience in public health can provide assessment of community needs for eye care services. They are able to assist in the definition of factors that contribute to the treatment and prevention of visual system anomalies, to develop and apply quality assurance systems, to participate and provide leadership in health-related agencies, and to foster public awareness of the need for eye care. An individual qualified both in optometry and public health is expected to have the capability to develop, administer, and evaluate eye and vision health programs in research projects; design and conduct epidemiological field studies; use statistical methods in data analysis of case-control and cohort studies; develop and implement vision health education programs; and develop occupational health and eye safety programs.

Students complete all credits for both degrees with one modification—a total of 4 semester hours from the OD program also fulfill MPH requirements: OPT 691 (1 semester hour), OPT 695 (1 semester hour), and OPTC 874 (2 semester hours) fulfill the requirement for PBH 701 (3 semester hours) and PBH 890 (2 semester hours). A total of 213 semester hours are required for the dual degree.

CPR Certification
All students must complete CPR training prior to beginning clinical experiences in OPT 650 Clinical Optometry. Students must be certified in Basic Cardiac Life Support (BCLS) at the Healthcare Provider Level by the American Heart Association (AHA). Students must provide a copy of the AHA Healthcare Provider Level card indicating active certification. It is recommended that the student verify the course in advance to ensure that the course is appropriate.

Transportation
Reliable transportation to, from, and during all clinical experiences is the responsibility of the student. A number of clinical rotations in all years of the required curriculum may be scheduled at some distance from the campus. This is necessary to provide a range of diverse learning experiences and to ensure availability and quality of clinical education sites. The University will make every effort to accommodate requests regarding assignments to experiential education sites, but students generally can expect to be assigned to clinical sites some distance from the campus for at least a portion of their required clinical rotations beginning in the first year. In such instances, students are responsible for transportation and other related travel expenses.

Employment
Due to the rigorous nature of the optometry program, the demands placed on students are extremely high, particularly with respect to their clinical rotation schedule and associated student requirements. It is for this reason that students are strongly discouraged from engaging in any outside, non-program-related employment throughout the program of study.

Progression and Retention
Progression in the OD program is dependent upon the student’s maintaining a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 and an overall GPA of 2.0 as the student progresses.

To progress within both the didactic and the clinical phase of the program, students must achieve a final course grade of C or better, or a pass for a pass/fail course. In all OPT-designated courses, obtaining a course grade of less than a C or a fail results in a student having to repeat the course, which stops progression through the program (i.e., results in nonprogression status) because OD courses are offered only once a year. The student will decelerate to a class cohort that is targeted to graduate later than the student’s original cohort. An optometry student may be placed on nonprogression status only once during his or her tenure in the School of Optometry (OD) program. A student who receives a second nonprogression status in a subsequent semester will be dismissed from the optometry program.

Directed study during the first three years may be required as remediation in lieu of repeating one year (1) if the student fails one course that is not sequential and/or (2) at the recommendation of the instructor of record and the Academic Standing Committee. The final decision for approval of the directed study requirement during the four-year program will be at the dean’s discretion.

Students in their fourth professional year who fail a clinical education experience may be required to complete a directed study course (ranging from 1 to 3 credit hours) prior to completing their clinical education experience. Progression is subject to clinical placement availability. (NOTE: There is no guarantee that space will be available at the desired time of return of the student; it may take up to two years for reentry due to lack of clinical placement availability.)

If a student is unable to progress in a professional course or clinical education experience after two attempts, the student will be referred to the program’s Academic Standing Committee with a recommendation for dismissal.

Students must complete the requirements for the Doctor of Optometry (OD) degree within five years from initial matriculation. If this time limit in the OD program has elapsed and the student has not completed degree requirements, the student must request an extension in writing and meet with the Dean of the School of Optometry, who may approve or deny the extension request. Final appeals are to the Vice President of Academic Affairs / Provost.
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Degree Program

Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)

In the spring of 2008, a two-year Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program began on the Worcester campus. While based on the Worcester campus, the program is a satellite of the MCPHS–Manchester program with an identical curriculum. The first year is dedicated to didactic and laboratory learning and the second to clinical experience in a variety of settings. Students attend classes in Worcester, with didactic courses simultaneously delivered at both campuses using technologically sophisticated interactive videoconferencing. This technology allows students at each site to interact with other students and faculty members in real time. Laboratory courses and small-group activities are facilitated by Physician Assistant Studies faculty located in Worcester.

For details on the curriculum, prerequisites, and other information about the program, refer to the MCPHS–Manchester School of Physician Assistant Studies section of this catalog. For the most current information regarding the program in Worcester, refer to the MCPHS website at www.mcphs.edu.

Technical Standards for the Master of Physician Assistant Studies

Observation
Candidates and students must have sufficient capacity to observe in the lecture hall, laboratory, and diagnostic and treatment areas of outpatient and inpatient settings. Sensory skills to perform the procedures of the healthcare profession in which students are enrolled are required. In any case where a candidate’s or a student’s ability to observe or acquire information through sensory modalities is compromised, the candidate or student must demonstrate alternative means and/or abilities to acquire and demonstrate the essential information conveyed in this fashion.

Communication
Candidates and students must be able to communicate effectively in both academic and healthcare settings. Candidates and students must show evidence of effective written and oral communication skills, and must be able to communicate with patients in order to elicit and impart information.

Motor
The ability to participate in basic diagnostic and therapeutic maneuvers and procedures is required. Candidates and students must have sufficient motor function to execute movements reasonably required to properly care for all patients, and must be able to perform motor functions with or without assistive devices.

Intellectual
Candidates and students must be able to measure, calculate, reason, analyze, and synthesize. Problem solving, one of the critical skills demanded of healthcare professionals, requires all of these intellectual abilities. Candidates and students must be able to read and understand medical literature. In order to complete the specific Health Sciences program, students must be able to demonstrate mastery of these skills and the ability to use them together in a timely fashion in healthcare problem solving and patient care.

Behavioral and Social Attributes
Candidates and students must possess the emotional health and stability required for full utilization of their intellectual abilities, the exercise of good judgment, and the prompt completion of all academic and patient care responsibilities. The development of mature, sensitive, and effective relationships with patients and other members of the healthcare team is essential. The ability to function in the face of uncertainties inherent in clinical practice, flexibility, compassion, integrity, motivation, interpersonal skills, and concern for others are all required.
Students interested in dental hygiene or medical imaging and therapeutics (diagnostic medical sonography, magnetic resonance imaging, nuclear medicine technology, radiation therapy, or radiography) are required to read the statements about profession-specific tasks. Please visit the website for more information (www.mcphs.edu).
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The School of Pharmacy–Worcester/Manchester prepares pharmacists with the pharmaceutical care skills needed to improve health outcomes for patients in culturally diverse environments and to better serve the public’s overall healthcare needs. The University community facilitates critical thinking, problem-solving skills, and scholarship, and incorporates innovative methods of instruction using state-of-the-art technology. An active, student-centered education fosters lifelong learning and continuing professional development in all areas of pharmacy practice. A special emphasis is placed on biotechnology and on the community pharmacy environment, where the majority of healthcare services will be provided in the future.

Degree and Certificate Programs

- Doctor of Pharmacy (Accelerated)
- Certificate in Medication Safety (Online)
- Master of Patient Safety (Online)

Doctor of Pharmacy (Accelerated)

Admission to the MCPHS–Worcester/Manchester Doctor of Pharmacy degree program is a competitive process open only to transfer students. Applicants must have completed, or be in the process of completing, their preprofessional coursework at a regionally accredited college or university. If an applicant has completed coursework at a foreign college or university, the student must submit evidence of U.S. course/degree equivalency.
The professional curriculum in pharmacy at the School of Pharmacy–Worcester/Manchester (SOP–W/M) is offered in a 12-month program that allows students to complete their degree requirements for the Doctor of Pharmacy in less than three years.

**Technical Standards for Programs in the Schools of Pharmacy at MCPHS (Admission and Progression)**

Candidates for admission to and students enrolled in the Doctor of Pharmacy, baccalaureate, and graduate programs at MCPHS University must demonstrate the following abilities and skills in areas of communication, intellectual, behavioral/social, observational, and motor attributes. Reasonable accommodations for persons with prior documented disabilities will be considered on an individual basis. Students wishing to request accommodations for disabilities should contact the Associate Director of Disability Support Services (see Disabilities Support Services in the Student Services section of the catalog).

**Communication**
Candidates and students must demonstrate evidence of effective written and oral communication skills in both the academic and experiential settings. Once enrolled, students must demonstrate the ability to effectively communicate with the public and other healthcare professionals in order to elicit and provide information required for optimal healthcare.

**Intellectual**
Candidates and students must demonstrate the ability to retrieve information and to measure, calculate, reason, analyze, and synthesize it. These intellectual abilities are required to solve problems, an essential skill that graduates must possess. Candidates and students must be able to retrieve (electronically and manually), read, and understand medical literature. Completion of a degree program requires the student to be able to demonstrate mastery of these skills and the ability to use them together in a timely fashion when involved in problem solving and providing patient care as related to his or her practice setting.

**Behavioral and Social Attributes**
Candidates and students must exhibit the emotional health and stability required for full utilization of their intellectual abilities, the exercise of good judgment, and the prompt completion of all academic and experiential responsibilities. The development of mature and effective relationships with colleagues, patients, and other members of the healthcare community is essential. The ability to function when faced with the challenges and uncertainties inherent in experiential settings and the ability to exhibit compassion, flexibility, adaptability, integrity, motivation, interpersonal skills, and concern for others are required.

**Observation**
Candidates and students must demonstrate sufficient the capacity to observe and function in the lecture hall, laboratory, and experiential settings. Sensory skills to perform educational duties and obligations are required of students in all degree programs. In any situation where a candidate’s or student’s ability to observe or acquire information through sensory modalities is compromised, the candidate or student must demonstrate alternate means and/or abilities to acquire the essential information conveyed in this fashion.

**Motor Skills**
The ability to participate in the basic operational and procedural activities required in experiential settings is essential. Students and candidates must have sufficient motor function to execute movements reasonably required to properly participate in the activities of a laboratory or an experiential rotation, with or without assistive devices. Candidates and students who cannot perform activities independently should minimally be able to understand and direct the methodology involved in such activities.

**Real-Time Distance Education Technology**
Two years of classroom and laboratory coursework must be completed in residence at MCPHS–Worcester/Manchester. All core courses for the Doctor of Pharmacy program, except for laboratory courses, are delivered via real-time distance education technology between campuses. Approximately 85 percent of the program is taught synchronously from the Worcester campus to the Manchester campus, and the other 15 percent of the program is taught synchronously from the Manchester campus to the Worcester campus.

**Clinical Rotations**
A number of clinical rotations in the required curriculum may be scheduled at some distance from the campus. This is necessary to provide a range of diverse learning experiences and ensure availability and quality of clinical rotation sites. The University will make every effort to accommodate requests regarding assignments to experiential education sites, but students generally can expect to be assigned to clinical sites at some distance from the campus for at least a portion of their required clinical rotations. In such instances, students are responsible for transportation to and from their clinical sites and other related travel or housing expenses.

**Progression Requirements**
Students must maintain a 2.20 grade point average (GPA) to progress into the second and third professional years of the program. All PharmD students must complete all requirements and be in good academic standing before beginning experiential education rotations. A student who has a GPA of less than or equal to 1.50 and has one or more course grades of F will be dismissed from the Doctor of Pharmacy program.
**Electives**

Electives are campus specific and will be taught by faculty on their respective campus. A limited number of electives will be available on both campuses via distance education technology. Students will not be offered the opportunity to travel to a distant campus to participate in electives.

**Biotechnology Track**

SOP–W/M offers a unique program for students in their second year consisting of a specialized course track in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industry. Students select two elective courses detailing two semesters of content spanning cell- and gene-based therapeutics, pharmacogenomics, RNA interference, recombinant proteins, vaccines, antibodies, clinical trial development, and good manufacturing practices. Students then have the opportunity to choose a specialty elective rotation that offers experience in the field of biotechnology. Industrial partners offer a diverse set of experiential education experiences in the areas of biopharmaceutics, clinical trial design and implementation, drug regulatory affairs, and drug information. Available on Worcester campus only. For more information, students may contact Dr. Paul Belliveau at paul.belliveau@mcphs.edu.

**Curriculum: Doctor of Pharmacy (Accelerated)**

**Preprofessional Courses**

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**Professional Courses**

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**Total credits required to complete degree requirements: 133 semester hours**
Academic Complaint Policy for the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education

It is the policy of MCPHS and the School of Pharmacy—Worcester/Manchester (SOP–W/M) to objectively review student grievances related to academic and nonacademic issues. Those students who wish to file a specific complaint relating to the Doctor of Pharmacy program’s adherence to Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) standards for accreditation should utilize the following procedure:

1. The student must file a written complaint with the Dean of SOP–W/M.
2. The dean will forward the complaint to an ad hoc committee of three faculty with representatives from the Department of Pharmacy Practice and the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences. The ad hoc committee will review the complaint and render a decision concerning the complaint. The committee will inform the student of its decision via a written response within 30 working days upon receipt of the complaint.
3. If the student wishes to appeal the committee’s decision, then the student must file a written appeal to the dean within 5 working days upon receipt of the written response from the committee.
4. The dean will review the appeal and render a written response to the student within 14 working days upon receipt of the student’s written appeal. The decision of the dean is final.
5. The office of the dean will maintain a copy of all written correspondence.

If a student wishes to file a complaint with the ACPE, the student should contact the council via email, phone, or mail. The ACPE contact information is available in the catalog in the Introduction section under Accreditation.

Certificate in Medication Safety (Online)

The Certificate in Medication Safety program is available to all healthcare professionals, including physicians, pharmacists, and nurses who are interested in promoting a culture of safety. Several healthcare agencies such as the Joint Commission, Institute for Safe Medication Practices, Institute for Healthcare Improvement, and Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality are encouraging institutions to create a “culture of safety.” In fact, the Center for Medicare Services has established quality measurements for several disease states. As a result, institutions have created positions and formed committees to better assess and improve healthcare quality and patient and medication safety. This certificate program prepares graduates to understand the fundamental concepts and tools that will guide them in developing various initiatives in medication safety at their practice settings. This includes creating a culture of safety, aligning medication safety plans with the goals of the organization, learning from defects in medication-related processes, incorporating human and environmental factors to reduce medication error and adverse events, and effectively implementing change. Certificate courses also may be used to satisfy course requirements for the Master of Science in Medication Safety program.

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* Courses are currently in development.

Master of Patient Safety (Online)

Patient safety and quality of care are in the minds of all health professionals as they journey toward excellence in healthcare delivery, promote a culture of safety, and ensure transparency of patient safety measures. Healthcare institutions are integrating a variety of methods to enhance patient safety, including enhanced communication and healthcare informatics strategies. The elimination of error and risk in the healthcare system can improve care and reduce costs.

The Master of Patient Safety program has its foundation in the Institute of Medicine’s core competencies for health professionals, which include providing patient-centered care within an interdisciplinary team, emphasizing evidence-based practice, and incorporating quality improvement and informatics. Building on these competencies, the program focuses on communication, medical error science, organizational change, and leadership. Graduates of the program will integrate these competencies to enhance patient safety within the healthcare organization, enhance the culture of safety, and reduce both the risk and the frequency of medical error.

Admission

Requirements include a BS or higher in a healthcare or related field, a minimum of two years of relevant work experience, and a 2.8 or higher undergraduate grade point average (GPA).
The priority filing date for this program is June 1 each year for a fall semester start. We continue to review applications until all available seats in the program have been filled.

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<td>Introduction to Quality in Health Care</td>
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<td>Communication and the Team Approach</td>
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<td>Medication Safety Tools, Analysis, and Application</td>
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<td>Organization and Systems of Health Care</td>
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**Technical Non-Academic Standards for School of Pharmacy–Worcester/Manchester**

In conjunction with the applicable academic and accreditation standards, the faculty in each of the programs at MCPHS has established certain abilities and characteristics defined as technical standards. Candidates for enrollment in programs at MCPHS University must meet these technical standards, which may include but are not limited to observation; communication; sensory and motor coordination and function; intellectual, conceptual, integrative, and quantitative abilities; and behavioral and social attributes. These standards may be met with or without reasonable accommodations. Please carefully review the technical standards for the program to which you have applied. The standards may be found in this catalog in the program description sections.

Additional information on technology requirements, registration, and frequently asked questions is available at http://online.mcphs.edu.
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More information specific to the Manchester campus may be found in the following sections: Facilities, Interinstitutional Cooperation, and Student Services.

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Degree Program

Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (BSN)

Accelerated 16-Month Curriculum

MCPHS offers an accelerated 16-month postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree program at the Manchester campus. The New Hampshire Board of Nursing and the New Hampshire Postsecondary Education Commission have approved the 16-month accelerated BSN program implemented at the MCPHS–Worcester campus, and the first Manchester-based students enrolled in September 2007. The curriculum is identical to that currently offered at the Worcester campus. Students attend classes in Manchester.

For detailed prerequisites and other information about the program, refer to the MCPHS–Worcester School of Nursing section of this catalog. For the most current information regarding the program in Manchester, refer to the MCPHS website at www.mcphs.edu.

16-Month BSN Curriculum,* Manchester

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<td>Essential Concepts of Nursing</td>
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<td>Nursing Skills and Technologies (w/lab)</td>
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<td>Pathophysiologic and Pharmacologic Approach to Nursing Practice</td>
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<td>Provider of Care I. Adult and Elder Health (w/lab)</td>
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School of Nursing Academic Policies

Academic Progression
A minimum grade of C (2.0) is required in all professional nursing courses.
A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.7 is required.
Successful completion of both the theory and the clinical laboratory/practicum in a clinical Nursing course is required to pass the course.
A failed individual Nursing course may be repeated only once. A second grade below C in the repeated course will result in dismissal from the Nursing program. Throughout the Nursing program, a student may repeat no more than two separate Nursing courses. Three grades below C in any combination of Nursing courses also will result in dismissal from the Nursing program.
Professional courses (NUR-designated) may not be taken pass/fail.

CPR Certification
All students must complete CPR training prior to beginning clinical experiences in NUR 325 Provider of Care I: Adult and Elder Health. Students must be certified in Basic Cardiac Life Support (BCLS) at the Healthcare Provider Level by the American Heart Association (AHA). Students must provide a copy of the American Heart Association Healthcare Provider Level card indicating active certification (AHA requires recertification every two years). It is recommended that the student verify the course in advance to ensure that the course is appropriate.

Transportation
Reliable transportation to, from, and during all clinical and field experiences is the responsibility of the student. A number of clinical rotations in the required curriculum may be scheduled at some distance from the campus. This is necessary to provide a range of diverse learning experiences and to ensure availability and quality of clinical rotation sites. The University will make every effort to accommodate requests regarding assignments to experiential education sites, but students generally can expect to be assigned to clinical sites some distance from the campus for at least a portion of their required clinical rotations. In such instances, students are responsible for transportation and other related travel expenses.

Licensure
Students who successfully complete the program will be eligible to sit for the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN).

Employment
Due to the rigorous and accelerated nature of the Nursing program, the demands placed on students are extremely high, particularly with respect to their clinical rotation schedule and associated student requirements. It is for this reason that students are strongly discouraged from engaging in any outside, non-program-related employment throughout the program of study.

School of Nursing Professional and Technical Standards
A prelicensure candidate for the BSN degree must have abilities and skills in four areas: communication, observation, motor function and endurance, and behavioral maturity. Reasonable accommodations may be made for some disabilities. However, prelicensure BSN students must be able to perform in a reasonably independent manner, with or without accommodations.

Communication
- Must be able to communicate effectively with patients, families, and members of the healthcare team through oral, written, and interpersonal means
- Must be able to obtain information, describe patient situations, and perceive both oral and nonverbal communication (including ability to understand normal speech without seeing the speaker’s face)
- Must be able to speak, comprehend, read, and write in English at a level that meets the need for accurate, clear, and effective communication; examples include but are not limited to giving clear oral reports, reading watches or clocks with second hands, reading graphs, reading and understanding documents printed in English, writing legibly in English, and discriminating subtle differences in medical terminology
Observation
• Must be able to observe a patient accurately; examples include but are not limited to listening to heart and breath sounds; visualizing the appearance of a surgical wound; detecting bleeding, unresponsiveness, or other changes in patient status; detecting the presence of a foul odor; and palpating an abdomen
• Must be able to detect and respond to emergency situations, including audible alarms (e.g., monitors, call bells, fire alarms)

Motor Function and Endurance
• Must have sufficient strength and mobility to work effectively and safely with patients and carry out nursing care activities; examples include but are not limited to lifting and positioning patients (lifting up to 50 pounds, carrying up to 25 pounds), transferring patients in and out of bed, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (AHA Healthcare Provider Level), preparation and administration of medications (oral, injection, and intravenous, including hanging IV bags at shoulder height), reading and emptying body fluid collection devices below bed level, application of pressure to stop bleeding, clearing/opening an obstructed airway, and providing daily hygiene care
• Must be able to complete assigned periods of clinical practice, including up to 12-hour shifts, including days, evenings, nights, and weekends
• Must be able to respond at a speed and in a manner sufficient to carry out patient assignments within the allotted time

Behavioral
• Must possess mental and emotional health required for total utilization of intellectual abilities
• Must be able to tolerate physically taxing workloads
• Must be able to respond and function effectively during stressful situations
• Must be capable of adapting to rapidly changing environments and of responding with flexibility in uncertain situations
• Must be able to interact appropriately with others (i.e., patients, families, members of healthcare team) in various healthcare contexts

Policy for Content Validation after Nonprogression or Leave of Absence
A student who fails or withdraws from an undergraduate Nursing professional course, or who withdraws from a Nursing program via leave of absence, must validate previous knowledge and skills held prior to program exit before he or she may reenroll in Nursing clinical professional courses. Reenrollment is subject to clinical placement availability. (NOTE: There is no guarantee that space will be available at the student’s desired return date. It may take up to two years for reentry due to lack of clinical placement availability.) This policy applies to all undergraduate Nursing programs.

The validation will occur via the student’s demonstration of knowledge and skills, that is, meeting established program clinical competencies, in a selected clinical facility or simulation laboratory. The student must notify the program director of the desired date of return a minimum of 30 days prior to the anticipated return date to make arrangements for preparing for and performing validation testing. Program faculty will provide guidance as to what content and skills (competencies) need to be reviewed by the student prior to the testing, but it is the student’s responsibility to prepare for the validation testing. The student must pass the validation testing as per the outcome measures determined by the faculty. Failure to meet the required outcome(s) will result in dismissal from the Nursing program and/or the need to repeat identified courses.

A student attempting to return from a leave of absence also must have been cleared to return to classes by designated staff in the Academic Resource Center (Boston) or Academic Support Services (Worcester/Manchester) and/or the Dean of Students (Boston and Worcester) or Associate Dean of Students (Manchester) (if a medical leave of absence) prior to performing validation testing. The Academic Resource Center / Academic Support Services / Dean or Associate Dean of Students and Nursing faculty will coordinate communication regarding student clearance for leave of absence return and subsequent eligibility to schedule validation testing.
MCPHS–Manchester
School of Physician Assistant Studies
(Manchester/Worcester program)

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Degree Program

**Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)**

The MCPHS Physician Assistant (PA) Studies program is dedicated to the education of clinically competent medical professionals who are prepared to deliver quality patient care in a dynamic healthcare delivery system. The program is accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA), and graduates are eligible to sit for the Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination (PANCE) required by most states for licensure or registration.

This program capitalizes on the extensive educational resources of the University and the New England region to prepare physician assistants with the skills, competencies, and attitudes to provide compassionate care to patients in a variety of settings. The emphasis is on community-oriented primary care, and students acquire experience in the evaluation and treatment of a broad spectrum of medical problems through the program’s clinical clerkships. These experiential elements of the program provide training in surgery, psychiatry, women’s health, pediatrics, emergency medicine, family medicine, and internal medicine.

Students applying to the PA program in Manchester/Worcester must submit a formal application and designate whether they are applying to the Manchester or Worcester campus. Students cannot apply to both. The application must include official transcripts and an essay through the Central Application Service for Physician Assistants (CASPA) and must be received by October 1. CASPA, the centralized national application service of the Association of Physician Assistant Programs, may be contacted at www.caspaonline.org.

**Course Prerequisites for Admission**

Candidates for the Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program (Manchester/Worcester) must have achieved overall a 2.75 grade point average (GPA) (on a 4.0 scale) as an undergraduate. Candidates also must have earned a C or better and a 3.0 cumulative GPA in the following prerequisites:

- **Anatomy and physiology** 8 semester hour credits (w/lab)
- **General chemistry** 4 semester hour credits (w/lab)
- **Organic chemistry** 4 semester hour credits (w/lab)
- **Biochemistry** 3 semester hour credits (w/lab)
- **Microbiology** 4 semester hour credits (w/lab)
- **Statistics** 3 semester hour credits
- **Introduction to psychology** 3 semester hour credits
- **Recommended only: immunology** 3 semester hour credits
- **Recommended only: genetics** 4 semester hour credits

**Prerequisite Policy**

Eight prerequisites (as indicated in the previous section) must have been completed at a regionally accredited college or university no more than 10 years prior to the anticipated date of matriculation to MCPHS. For example, for matriculation into the class starting in January 2012, the eight courses must have been completed since January 2002. All prerequisite coursework must have been completed with a final grade of C or better. The number of times a course has been taken to achieve a passing grade will be considered. Prerequisite coursework taken at a four-year institution is preferred.
If prerequisite coursework was completed more than 10 years prior, the candidate should submit a letter of request to the PA Program Admission Committee in care of the campus Admission Office. The formal letter must include when and where the course was taken, the grade received in the course, and the rationale for requesting the exception. A current résumé and copies of transcripts supporting the applicant’s argument must be included.

While previous healthcare experience is not required, the majority of applicants have obtained a year or more of direct patient care experience. In addition, job shadowing of a practicing physician assistant for a minimum of 50 hours is strongly recommended. PA shadowing information should be included on the CASPA application under Related Health Care Experience.

This program is available only to applicants who have already earned a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution in any field, and who have fulfilled the prerequisite course requirements.

Prerequisites include the following:

- An earned bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited college or university with an overall cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale
- A minimum TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) score for all candidates for whom English is not the primary language (see International Applicants in the Admission section for details)
- Ability to fulfill the technical standards for admission, promotion, and graduation
- Other requirements for international students as outlined in the Admission section

Professional Responsibilities

Physician Assistants (PAs) are skilled members of the healthcare team qualified by academic and clinical experience to provide a broad range of healthcare services under the supervision of a licensed physician. The healthcare services that PAs provide include performing appropriate medical interviews and physical examinations, identifying healthcare problems in need of evaluation and management, screening results of laboratory diagnostic studies, implementing treatment plans, counseling patients regarding illness and health-risk behaviors, monitoring responses to physician-directed programs of therapy, and facilitating access to appropriate healthcare resources. These services may be provided to individuals of any age in those various settings considered part of the physician’s practice.

Professional Credentials

Over the past 30 years, several milestones within the profession have become markers by which the appropriately trained physician assistant is identified. These markers include graduation from an academic program accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant, certification through examination by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA), and registration or licensure by state boards of medical examiners. Continued professional competence is evidenced by the completion of 100 hours of continuing medical education every two years and successful passage of a recertification examination as required by NCCPA.

Course Requirements

The undergraduate educational requirements for admission to the MPAS program in Manchester/Worcester are listed in the Admission section of this catalog. Following are the course requirements for the PA program in Manchester/Worcester.

Curriculum: Physician Assistant Studies Program Sequence

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Clinical Rotations

Required core clinical clerkship sites are located in the New England area. A number of clinical sites may be scheduled at some distance from the campus in order to provide a range of clinical experiences. Housing and travel costs for the clinical year are the responsibility of the student and vary widely depending on the site location. Students should plan to budget about an extra $5,000 to $7,000 for housing and travel during the second year. Professional seminars are held on campus after each clerkship. Additional estimated expenses for MPAS students include approximately $2,000 for books. Medical equipment costs are included in tuition costs.
School of Physician Assistant Studies Policies and Professional Requirements (Manchester/Worcester)

Students who are enrolled in the program must earn grades of C (2.0) or better in all courses and maintain an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 to remain in good academic standing in the program. Students are expected to understand and adhere to the codes and standards of the profession and to exhibit professional behavior.

Students are required to be in good academic standing to enter the clinical year. Students who receive below a C in a didactic course will be required to repeat the course before progressing to the next semester. This will result in a delay of one year to complete the program. Students must receive a 3.0 cumulative GPA in order to enter the clinical year. Such repetitions will lengthen the program beyond two years.

Failure to achieve a cumulative 3.0 GPA at the end of the first semester of the didactic year results in being placed on probation. If the student does not demonstrate improvement by the end of the second semester of the didactic year, the student may be dismissed. If the student does not achieve a cumulative GPA of 3.0 by the end of the didactic year, the student will be dismissed.
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Degree Program

Doctor of Pharmacy (Accelerated)

MCPHS–Manchester offers an accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree in conjunction with the School of Pharmacy–Worcester/Manchester. The core pharmacy curriculum is identical to that currently offered at the Worcester campus. Students attend classes in Manchester, while the instructors and other students are based in Worcester. Sophisticated technology and interactive videoconferencing are utilized to deliver the core courses and some electives to the Manchester campus. Some electives, all labs, and some didactic courses are taught on site by Manchester-based faculty and qualified adjunct faculty, similar to those at the Worcester campus. Introductory and advanced clinical experiences are offered in a variety of approved settings (hospitals, clinics, community pharmacies, etc.) primarily in New England as well as outside the region, including other states and Canada, consistent with the assignments of students based in Worcester. This academically rigorous program is completed in two years and 10 months. Accepted applicants must have successfully completed all prerequisite courses prior to enrollment in the program.

For details on the curriculum and other information on the accelerated PharmD program, refer to the School of Pharmacy–Worcester/Manchester section of this catalog.
MCPHS Online

MCPHS Online Programs

MCPHS University online programs are designed to help students reach their greatest potential as healthcare professionals through distance learning in convenient and accessible online formats that work for individuals with busy lives and for those whose homes are distant from campus.

At MCPHS Online, students are educated by the same faculty, are immersed in the same professional environment, and earn the same sought-after degrees as if they were on our physical campus.

What you should know about taking online courses:

Online courses require discipline—typically, successful online students report spending more time, not less, on an online course. Do not make the mistake of thinking that online learning is easier than going to class—it is not.

Plan ahead. You need to understand all of the requirements for your online course, as these are typically mapped out for each week, with assignments, readings, tests or quizzes, and writing tasks each week.

Time management is one of the most important aspects of success in an online class. Create a schedule for your online course and keep it! Plan on spending 5 to 10 hours a week on a typical online course.

Good writing skills are very helpful in an online course. Most of the communication with your professors and other students is in writing.

Log on to your online course regularly, at least every day. Communication with your instructor and peers provides great insight into the subject you are studying. You learn by communicating, reading, and applying the content.

The following programs are currently offered through MCPHS Online:

Dental Hygiene
• AD to MS in Dental Hygiene Bridge
• BS in Dental Hygiene Completion Program
• MS in Dental Hygiene

Health Sciences
• BS in Diagnostic Medical Sonography with Concentrations in General Sonography, Echocardiography, and Vascular Sonography
Degree Completion
• BS in Health Sciences Degree Completion
• Master of Health Sciences
• Doctor of Health Sciences

Nursing
• ADN to MS in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner Track)
• ADN to MS in Nursing (MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses)
• MS in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner Track)
• MS in Nursing (MSN with a Concentration in Teaching and Learning for Nurses)

Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
• Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway
• Master of Clinical Research (begins fall 2014)
• Master of Health Care Administration
• Master of Patient Safety
• MS in Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy
• Certificate in Health Policy
• Certificate in Medication Safety
• Certificate in Regulatory Affairs

Detailed information and curriculum requirements for the above online programs may be found in the corresponding school sections of this catalog and on the MCPHS website.

Health Sciences

• Master of Health Care Administration
• Master of Health Sciences
• Doctor of Health Sciences

Master of Health Care Administration

Healthcare administration represents a growing field in healthcare delivery, wherein patient treatment and care needs to be supported by and balanced with strong systems for leadership, decision making, financial resources, human resources, and community relations. The Master of Health Care Administration program is designed to prepare graduate students for administrative and management positions in hospitals, managed care organizations, long-term care settings, multi-institutional system offices, governmental health agencies, and other health-related organizations. Subject areas include the analysis of the healthcare system and its current challenges, management and organizational behavior of healthcare organizations, economic and financial aspects of health administration, strategic planning and marketing, public policy, and ethical and legal aspects of healthcare management. The program delivery will be primarily online with no more than three in-person sessions, scheduled for the convenience of working professionals.

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Master of Health Sciences

Health sciences is an ever-expanding field for various health occupations, including but not limited to nursing, dental hygiene, radiologic sciences, public health, and rehabilitative sciences. The MS in Health Sciences program is especially appropriate for current healthcare professionals lacking master’s degrees who wish to expand their skill sets in the areas of health professions education, health management, aging, or integrative health and wellness. Designed for working health professionals, this program provides the necessary coursework and experience that will allow them career progression in their current fields or in overall healthcare services. The program delivery will be primarily online with no more than two in-person sessions, scheduled for the convenience of working professionals.
The AD to Master of Health Sciences Bridge program is designed to facilitate the progression of allied health practitioners with an associate degree to graduate study. The goal is to prepare them for faculty and/or educational program administrator roles, roles as managers of the hospital department housing their respective discipline, or roles working with the U.S. aged population. The bridge program consists of 12 credits comprising content recommended by the Institute of Medicine as essential to practice in all health professions and 9 credits in a concentration area (Education, Management, or Aging). Students completing these 21 credits with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0 are eligible to matriculate in the MCPHS Master of Health Science program. No baccalaureate degree will be conferred.

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**AD to Master of Health Sciences Bridge**

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Doctor of Health Sciences

The Doctorate in Health Sciences (DHS) is designed for a variety of healthcare professionals who want to advance their teaching or leadership skills for positions in higher education, research, and healthcare settings.

The DHS is an interdisciplinary curriculum involving several schools/programs at MCPHS University. The curriculum is designed to provide a rigorous study of research and scholarship that will provide a foundation for developing solutions to complex issues in our healthcare community and to teach in academic and clinical settings.

The degree requires a minimum of 54 credits to complete. All students will be required to complete the core curriculum first and then choose a concentration area. The concentration areas available are Higher Education and Teaching, or Administration and Leadership in Health Care. The program also requires students to choose a minimum of six additional credits in courses that will support their dissertation study. These electives will be chosen with the approval of the faculty advisor. It is expected that the program will take three years to complete, provided the student completes 6 to 8 credits per semester.

The program is delivered using a blended learning format for courses in the core curriculum and concentration. Most courses will be Web-based requiring no campus-based face-to-face meetings. A residency requirement will be fulfilled through one-week sessions held in January and July. These on-campus sessions will consist of all-day intensive work sessions on individual dissertation projects. Students will be expected to begin attending the on-campus January and July sessions following an approval of their dissertation proposal and continue each year the student is enrolled in the program.

Students will be required to complete, in addition to the required coursework, a comprehensive exam following completion of all core curriculum courses, approval of a dissertation proposal, and a successful dissertation defense.

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The 36 s.h. Master in Health Sciences curriculum is outlined above.

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The Master of Public Health (MPH) program at MCPHS is a 42-semester-hour, online degree encompassing the five core disciplines of public health: biostatistics, environmental health science, epidemiology, health policy and management, and social and behavioral sciences. Community Health, the study and enhancement of health and wellness in a community, is the initial concentration being offered. MPH candidates will be required to complete a 120-hour practice experience in a public health setting of their choice. In addition, students must attend an in-person five-day seminar to prepare them for the culminating experience of their degree program at MCPHS University. Opportunities for community service and outreach will be made available to students as they arise. The program will present occasions for workforce development and career progression that include networking events, career counseling, and social networking.

The Association of Schools of Public Health (ASPH) MPH Core Competency Model serves as a curriculum framework to ensure program quality.

### Curriculum: Master of Public Health (MPH)

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* 6 semester hours of electives at the 500 level or above must be approved by the student’s advisor.
A grade of B– in all courses and an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 is required to remain in good academic standing.

**Admission**

Applicants are encouraged to apply before the program priority filing date to receive maximum consideration for admission. The Admission Office will continue to review applications until all available seats in the program have been filled.

Once the application is received, the Admission Office will notify the applicant of any missing items that are required for the application to be considered complete. Files are reviewed on a rolling basis, and a decision will be made once all application materials are received.

For program-specific information, please refer to the program description sections in this catalog.

**Technical, Nonacademic Standards**

In conjunction with the applicable academic and accreditation standards, the faculty in each of the programs at MCPHS has established certain abilities and characteristics defined as technical standards. Candidates for enrollment in programs at MCPHS University must meet these technical standards, which may include but are not limited to observation; communication; sensory and motor coordination and function; intellectual, conceptual, integrative, and quantitative abilities; and behavioral and social attributes. These standards may be met with or without reasonable accommodations. Please carefully review the technical standards for the program to which you have applied. The standards may be found in this catalog in the program description sections.

Additional information on technology requirements, registration, and frequently asked questions is available at http://online.mcphs.edu.
The English Language Academy provides unique opportunities for studying academic English, with a focus on the health sciences, at a U.S. university renowned for its programming in this discipline. The Academy provides content-based instruction, integrating a thematic approach to English language instruction with a focus on health sciences topics. It is a highly unique program given its focus on the health sciences—one of only two such programs in the United States.

On the Boston campus, two proficiency levels are offered, low-advanced and advanced, while the Worcester campus offers five proficiency levels: high beginner, low-intermediate, intermediate, low-advanced, and advanced. Each full-time level consists of 18–22 hours of instruction per week, including a core course, a listening/speaking course, and two special topics courses.

The Academic Bridge program, offered on the Boston campus, provides a full-time, structured transition-to-university curriculum in which students take content courses for degree credit while continuing to improve their English language and study skills through classes in the English Language Academy. While enrolled in the Academic Bridge, students who are conditionally accepted into undergraduate and graduate degree programs learn skills for the health sciences as they achieve an academic level of English proficiency. Among the topics covered and skills developed are critical reading of academic course materials, note taking, test taking, study strategies, and giving oral presentations. Students are also introduced to program resources, University policies, academic support resources, professional practices, and cocurricular opportunities.

Assessment at the English Language Academy involves both standardized and alternative approaches to evaluating students’ proficiency levels. Prior to entering the program, students’ language skills are assessed through the administration of the ACT Compass ESL assessment as well as the completion of a timed writing sample. In addition to individual class assessments, based on proficiency level outcomes, at the end of each semester students take the ACT Compass ESL assessment and complete a timed writing sample. In addition, the directors and faculty associates in the English Language Academy engage in a portfolio review of each student’s work.
Course Descriptions

NOTE: Some course changes are approved following catalog printing. Please consult www.mcphs.edu for updated information. Descriptions of courses being developed for future years will be available in future catalogs and on the website.

Please refer to Grading System under Academic Policies and Procedures for course key information.

Applied Natural Products (ANP)

ANP 701
Pharmacognosy and Phytopharmacology
Using selected classes of plants from the materia medica, the course discusses the principles of pharmacognosy and phytopharmacology, the chemistry of active ingredients, and the validation of herbal therapeutics, and it evaluates the recent scientific evidence used in the discovery of newer therapeutic agents.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

ANP 708
Natural Products Selected Topics
Students are offered several electives and experiences to choose from in the area of natural products.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

ANP 709
Safety in Natural Products
Students cover several major topics—safety issues associated with different organ systems, direct and indirect toxicities of plants and natural products, and pharmacovigilance, as well as principles of quality and efficacy. Students focus on how to find, evaluate, review, and apply the current literature around issues of botanical quality and safety.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

Behavioral Sciences (BEH)

BEH 101, BEH 102, and BEH 103
Health Psychology Seminar
This seminar course for health psychology majors focuses on the breadth of the field of psychology. Students read and discuss articles published in professional journals as well as articles on topics related to the various career paths in psychology. Health Psychology majors are required to take three consecutive semesters of this seminar for a total of three credit hours.
Prerequisites: Health Psychology major, LIB 120; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall, spring.

BEH 250
Health Psychology
This course provides an overview of the perspective, theories, and topics of health psychology, focusing on the psychosocial factors in the understanding of the relationship of health to behavior.
Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

BEH 254
Death and Dying
This course explores the sociocultural evolution of death and dying, focusing particularly on cultural adaptations in the United States. Topics include factors influencing attitudes toward death and dying, socialization toward death, facing life-threatening illness, the role of healthcare systems, last rites and survivors, and the law and death. (Formerly BEH 252, Sociology of Death and Dying)
Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

BEH 260
Behavioral Health
Students examine evidence-based health behavior change interventions, which are utilized in healthcare settings to prevent and treat chronic diseases. They will focus on principles of behaviorism, social-learning theory, and cognitive-behavioral models. They also will learn and practice motivational approaches that support the adoption and maintenance of healthy behaviors. Students will apply these principles and interventions to specific chronic diseases.
Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

BEH 345
Myths and Misconceptions in Psychology
Using psychology to explore myths and misconceptions of human behavior, this course provides both a theoretical and a practical understanding of how myths and misconceptions arise, how they are perpetuated, and how research can be used to evaluate their validity. Students are expected to learn and share accurate information about selected myths and misconceptions.
Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

BEH 340
Psychology of Aggression
An introduction to the study of aggressive behavior, this course
is intended to provide a basic understanding of ethological, sociocultural, and clinical approaches to aggression research. Topics discussed will include pathological violence in human beings (including domestic violence and child maltreatment), species-typical aggressive behavior in animals, the role of drugs and alcohol, and the neurobiological mechanisms of aggressive behavior.

Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

BEH 341
Biological Psychology
An introduction to behavioral neuroscience, this course explores the physiological bases of human behavior. With an emphasis on the brain and neural communication, it covers the basic neurological processes that underlie various human behaviors, including sensation and perception, learning and memory, hormonal control of sexual development, psychopharmacology, and psychological/neurological disorders.

Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

BEH 350
Abnormal Psychology
Presents a survey of the assessment, classification, and treatment of a variety of psychiatric diagnoses described in the DSM-IV. Attention is paid to the continuum between normal and abnormal behavior and to the importance of cultural factors in diagnosing and treating these conditions.

Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

BEH 351
Social Psychology
This course investigates the effect of the social environment on individual behavior. Phenomena such as attitude formation and change, group processes, and social perception are analyzed with a view toward their application in various real-world settings.

Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

BEH 352
Human Development through the Life Cycle
Designed to expose students to human development across the lifespan, this course is intended to provide both a theoretical and a practical understanding of individual growth and change, distinguishing the characteristics of different stages of development, and the issues and processes that recur throughout the entire lifespan.

Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

BEH 355
Organizational Psychology
This course is a study of the ways in which basic psychological principles and research are applied to organizational behavior. Topics include personnel selection, motivation, leadership, group dynamics, and work stress.

Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

BEH 356
Gender Roles
Designed to introduce students to the social psychology of sex and gender, this course places contemporary U.S. norms in their biological, historical, and cross-cultural contexts. Emphasis is placed on female gender roles, but male roles, work, and family also are discussed.

Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

BEH 357
Positive Psychology
Students critically review theory and empirical research in the emerging field of positive psychology. Topics include positive affect, engagement, optimism, character strengths, values, goals, and healthy aging. Students link course content to their personal lives and professional disciplines.

Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

BEH 405
Mind-Body Medicine
Students critically review current scientific literature that addresses the mechanisms and efficacy of mind-body medicine, a category of complementary and alternative medicine. Topics include psychoneuroimmunology, the relaxation response, mindfulness, meditation, yoga, tai chi, nutrition, and beliefs. Students also practice interventions, examine their utilization in healthcare settings, and consider how they may apply these in their future professional careers.

Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

BEH 450
Selected Topics
This course is designed to explore in depth the issues of special interest to the faculty that otherwise are not offered as regular courses. The theme of each course is announced in advance. 

Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

BEH 451
Research Methods in Health and Behavior
This course is designed to give the student an appreciation of the scientific method in general and knowledge of the techniques used by psychologists and sociologists in particular. Students become involved in small-scale empirical research projects.

Prerequisites: BEH 250, LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

BEH 453
Behavior Modification
Students examine behavior modification strategies based on the principles of behaviorism and cognitive-behavioral models. They also study how the evolving field of behavioral health is utilizing these interventions in healthcare settings to prevent and treat chronic diseases. Students apply behavior change techniques to self-modification projects, and they practice client-centered counseling skills that promote patient motivation and adherence. 

Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

**BEH 454**  
**Stress and Illness**  
This course is designed to investigate the relationship between environmentally induced stress and illness. Particular emphasis is placed on the health-related effects of changes in the physical environment, sociological status, and sociocultural conditions.  
Prerequisites: BEH 250, LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

**BEH 457**  
**Drugs and Behavior**  
An introduction to the study of psychopharmacology, this course covers the principles of drug action and the effects of drugs on behavior. Students learn the pharmacological, psychological, and health outcomes of each major class of psychoactive drugs (recreational and therapeutic), including patterns of use and abuse by individuals along with medical and sociocultural factors that determine the use of psychoactive drugs. (Formerly BEH 455 Drugs and Society)  
Prerequisite: LIB 120; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

**Biology (BIO)**

**BIO 110/110L**  
**Anatomy and Physiology I**  
This course provides first-year students with directed study of the anatomical structure and physiological processes of the human body. Topics include subatomic, atomic, cellular, tissue, integumentary, skeletal, muscular, and nervous systems.  
Class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.  
NOTE: Students in the Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical and Health Care Business program are required to take only the lecture portion of this class.

**BIO 150L**  
**Biology I Laboratory**  
This laboratory course exposes students to the experimental techniques used in cell and molecular biology, including DNA purification and analysis, protein purification and analysis, enzymatic reactions, and cell fractionation.  
Co-requisite or prerequisite: BIO 151; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

**BIO 151**  
**Biology I: Cell and Molecular Biology**  
This course emphasizes the experimental approaches to understanding the basic and applied aspects of cellular and molecular biology. Topics include cell structure and function, metabolism, the cellular and molecular basis of development and heredity, and healthcare applications of molecular biotechnology.  
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**BIO 152/152L**  
**Biology II: Biology of Organisms**  
This course introduces the fundamental principles that unify the vast diversity of organisms, including evolutionary theory, ecology, human anatomy and histology, the evolution of organ systems, and the normal functioning of the human organism.  
Prerequisite: BIO 151; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

**BIO 210/210L**  
**Anatomy and Physiology II**  
A continuation of BIO 110. The following systems are explored: endocrine, immune, cardiovascular, lymphatic, respiratory, digestive, urinary, and reproductive. The concept of homeostasis and the underlying principles common to all systems are applied from the submolecular to the organismal level for each system.  
Prerequisite: BIO 110; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.  
NOTE: Students in the Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical and Health Care Business program are required to take only the lecture portion of this class.

**BIO 255/255L**  
**Medical Microbiology**  
An introduction to microbial principles, this course is designed to give a functional understanding of microorganisms, their role in disease and the environment, and our defenses against infections. The laboratory covers the principles of microscopy, aseptic techniques, and microbial cultivation and control.  
Prerequisite: BIO 152 or BIO 210; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall, spring.

**BIO 260**  
**Molecular Biology**  
The replication, expression, and regulation of genetic information will be learned in detail, including a comprehensive review of the mechanisms involved in genetic variation and signal transduction. In-depth analysis of recombinant DNA technology and RNA interference are included with a stress on medical applications. Scientific reading comprehension and data analysis also are emphasized.  
Prerequisite: BIO 152; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.
BIO 332
Genetics
This course studies the gene at the cellular and organismal levels of expression, with an emphasis on human and medical genetics. Topics include classical genetics, multifactorial traits, pedigree analysis, gene-mapping methods, cytogenetics, and population genetics. Testing, diagnostics, and treatment of genetic disorders also are discussed. Prerequisite: BIO 360 or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

BIO 335
Experimental Techniques in Molecular Biology
Building upon techniques learned in prior laboratory courses, students will learn theoretical and practical applications of common techniques performed in biomedical research laboratories and apply them in a research project over the course of the semester. Techniques include the polymerase chain reaction; restriction enzyme digestion; gene cloning; DNA purification and analysis; cell culture techniques; and protein expression, purification, and analysis. Prerequisites: BIO 360 and BIO 260; lab, 6 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

BIO 346
Applied Concepts in Public Health
Biological and social determinants of health and illness are investigated. Students will actively engage in case studies to apply concepts important in public health, including epidemiology, disease prevention, control of epidemics, environmental health, and policy development. Prerequisite: BIO 255; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

BIO 351
Advanced Anatomy and Physiology I
The first of a two-part sequence exploring the anatomical design of the human body and its functional relationships. Given that this course is geared for healthcare providers, the systems approach will be integrated with case histories. Classes will be a combination of traditional lecture and in-class case studies using a group discussion format. Prerequisites: BIO 152, CHE 132; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

BIO 352
Advanced Anatomy and Physiology II
The second of a two-part sequence exploring the anatomical design of the human body and its functional relationships. Given that this course is geared for healthcare providers, the systems approach will be integrated with case histories. Classes will be a combination of traditional lecture and in-class case studies using a group discussion format. Prerequisite: BIO 351; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

BIO 360
Cellular Biochemistry
Students learn the structure, metabolism, and biochemical function of major macromolecules (proteins, carbohydrates, lipids, and nucleic acids). Bioenergetics, enzyme kinetics, cell signaling, and regulation are studied at the molecular level. An emphasis is placed on cellular and physiological applications of biochemistry (in particular, competencies important for study in medical school). Prerequisites: CHE 232, 234; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

BIO 405
Plagues of the Past, Present, and Future
Major diseases throughout history are reviewed from a scientific and medical standpoint, with an emphasis on molecular biology. The course covers “older” infectious diseases that are resurfacing as public health threats, current diseases negatively impacting society, and “newer” health threats including West Nile virus and potential bioterrorism agents. Treatment and prevention strategies from the 1900s until today also are discussed. Prerequisites: BIO 151 and BIO 255, or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

BIO 420
Communication in the Biological Sciences
This course covers the many facets of communication in the biological sciences. Students will be expected to produce written summaries of primary scientific literature and a special project involving either a professional poster or a grant proposal. Students also will learn to gear oral presentations to different audiences and use communication-oriented technologies, including the creation of original podcasts and blogs. Prerequisite: BIO 360 or permission of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

BIO 430
Molecular Biology of Cancer
Understanding the causes of and potential treatments for human cancers requires a detailed analysis of the molecular and cellular mechanisms that are disrupted in cancer cells. Students will learn the current understanding of biomedical research on such topics as oncogenes, tumor suppressor genes, signal transduction pathways, cell cycle regulation, apoptosis, angiogenesis, and metastasis. Prerequisite: BIO 360; prerequisite or co-requisite: BIO 332; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.
BIO 450
Selected Topics
This course is an in-depth study of a particular topic in biology, and the course content will vary with each offering. Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

BIO 455/455L
Advanced Microbiology
This lecture and laboratory course in microbiology covers advanced material in microbial physiology, genetics, diversity, ecology, and biotechnology. The laboratory will include exercises coordinated with the lecture topics and will feature specialized laboratory techniques and instrumentation, and an independent study component. Prerequisite: BIO 255; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

BIO 530
Undergraduate Research Project
Research participation at the undergraduate level is offered to superior students in biology and microbiology. Emphasis is placed on teaching the methods and techniques used in solving research problems. Prerequisites: consent of instructor and dean; lab, 3–9 hrs.; credit, 1–3 s.h.; varies.

BIO 531
Public Health
This course presents a survey of the diseases currently affecting the health and longevity of the population. The roles of the physician assistant and pharmacist as integral members of the public health team are emphasized. Prerequisite: BIO 152; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

BIO 532
Directed Study
Supervised study in biology and microbiology involves a survey of existing knowledge, self-instructed and/or faculty-assisted inquiry into previously published data or methodologies, or other faculty-approved study of a nonresearch nature. Prerequisites: consent of instructor and dean; credit, 1–3 s.h.; varies.

BIO 734
Immunology
This course provides an introduction to the cellular and clinical aspects of immunology. Topics include clonal selection theory, immunoglobulin function, B cell and T cell development and functioning, cytokines, histocompatibility complex restriction mechanisms, tolerance, and autoimmunity, hypersensitivity, and immunodeficiency states and transplantation immunology. Prerequisites: BIO 152, BIO 360, or permission of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

Chemistry (CHE)

CHE 110/110L
Basic Chemistry I
This course introduces the basic principles of chemistry, including gas laws, acid-base chemistry, stoichiometry, energy, structure and bonding, nuclear chemistry, and solutions. Laboratory exercises are designed to complement the didactic material. Class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

CHE 131/131L
Chemical Principles I
This course emphasizes the construction of scientific concepts based on observation and the development of reasoning skills based on active learning. Topics include mass, force, energy, interpreting phenomena in terms of atomic theory, gases, stoichiometry, periodic properties of the elements, and solutions. Class, 3 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

CHE 132/132L
Chemical Principles II
This course emphasizes the construction of scientific concepts based on observation and the development of reasoning skills based on active learning. Topics include atomic structure, bonding, molecular geometry, reaction energetics and rates, equilibrium, redox, and acid-base chemistry. Prerequisite: CHE 131 or equivalent; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

CHE 210/210L
Basic Chemistry II
This course is a continuation of CHE 110 and covers the basic principles of organic chemistry and biochemistry and their application to the life sciences. Laboratory exercises are designed to complement the didactic material. Prerequisite: CHE 110; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

CHE 231/231L
Organic Chemistry I
The structure, nomenclature, stereochemistry, properties, and reactions of carbon-containing compounds are introduced, and the mechanisms of reactions are emphasized. Laboratory experiments develop manipulative skills in the classical methods of purification and separation of organic compounds. Prerequisite: CHE 132; class, 3 hrs.; prelab, 1 hr.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

CHE 232
Organic Chemistry II
The chemical reactions of alkenes, aldehydes, ketones,
carboxylic acids, and their derivatives and amines are surveyed, and a mechanistic understanding of reactions is further developed. The structure and properties of multifunctional compounds, including amino acids, carbohydrates, and steroids, are presented.

Prerequisite: CHE 231; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

CHE 234L
Organic Chemistry II Laboratory
More chemical reactions of organic compounds are carried out. A multistep sequence of reactions results in the preparation of a known pharmaceutical agent. Infrared and nuclear magnetic resonance spectra are discussed and applied to the identification of reaction products.

Co-requisite or prerequisite: CHE 232; prelab, 1 hr.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

CHE 314/314L
Analytical Chemistry
This course introduces students to the theory and practice of quantitative analysis. Laboratory experiments are designed to be a practical realization of the topics discussed in class.

Prerequisite: CHE 132 or equivalent; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

CHE 340/340L
Inorganic Chemistry
The occurrence and physical and chemical properties of elements and their compounds are examined with emphasis on periodic relationships. Topics include solubility, acid-base, redox reactions, coordination compounds, and elemental properties. Laboratory exercises illustrate lecture concepts and provide background for discussion.

Prerequisite: CHE 132 or permission of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

CHE 365/365L
Thermodynamics and Kinetics
Physical chemistry uses concepts and techniques from physics to understand chemistry. In this first semester of a two-semester series, students study states of matter, phase changes, laws of thermodynamics, principles of equilibrium, and reaction kinetics and mechanisms. The laboratory portion of the course provides an experimental basis for the topics covered in the lectures.

Prerequisite: CHE 132, PHY 274, or PHY 284; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

CHE 367/367L
Quantum Mechanics and Molecular Structure
This course explores the basic tenets of quantum chemistry and their application to model systems (e.g., particle in a box) and to atomic and molecular systems. Rotational and vibrational spectra and the use of symmetry in quantum chemistry will be covered. The laboratory portion of the course provides an experimental basis for the topics covered in the lectures.

Prerequisite: CHE 365 or equivalent or by permission of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

CHE 435
Green Chemistry
Students will learn various chemistry and chemical engineering skills and apply these skills to the principles and practices of green chemical processing and environmental sustainability. Topics include tools and principles of green chemistry, alternative solvents, green organic chemistry, polymers and catalysts, biotransformation, and sustainable energy.

Prerequisite: CHE 234; class, 2.5 hrs.; lab, 0.5 hr.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

CHE 445
Experimental Techniques in Chemistry
Introduces advanced techniques in chemical synthesis and characterization applicable to organic, inorganic, and organometallic compounds. Students will perform synthetic techniques including working under inert atmosphere and handling moisture-sensitive reagents. Students will perform characterization of compounds using NMR, IR, and UV-VIS spectroscopy.

Prerequisites: CHE 232, 234L, 714; lab, 8 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h; fall.

CHE 450
Pharmaceutical Chemistry I
This course covers drug discovery, design, and development; physiochemical properties of drug molecules; stereochemistry in drug molecules; reactions and mechanisms in drug synthesis; characterization of drug molecules; and drug stability and metabolism. The focus will be on the synthesis of selected marketed small-molecule drugs.

Prerequisites: CHE 234, CHE 717, PSB 332, or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h; spring.

CHE 530
Undergraduate Research Project
Through this course, students become involved in the ongoing faculty research in chemistry. Students learn advanced laboratory techniques in natural products isolation, chemical synthesis, and spectroscopic analysis.

Prerequisites: consent of faculty sponsor and dean; lab, 3–9 hrs.; credit, 1–3 s.h.; varies.

CHE 532
Directed Study
Supervised study in chemistry involving a survey of existing knowledge, self-instructed and/or faculty-assisted inquiry into previously published data or methodologies, or other faculty-
approved study of a nonresearch nature.
Prerequisites: consent of instructor and dean; credit, 1–3 s.h.; varies.

CHE 710/CHE 711
Chemistry Seminar
Advanced-level presentations by students, faculty members, and guest speakers from other universities and pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies. Students search, read, and present journal articles that are relevant to research topics. Master’s-level students are required to take two consecutive semesters of this seminar for a total of 2 credit hours. During the second semester, students will present the master’s thesis.
Prerequisite: CHE 445; co-requisite: CHE 880 or consent of instructor; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h. each semester; fall, spring.

CHE 714/714L
Spectroscopic Analysis
The acquisition and interpretation of infrared, nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR), and ultraviolet spectra are taught. Students interpret sets of spectral data, including carbon-13 NMR and mass spectra, from unknown compounds to identify the structures of the compounds.
Prerequisite: CHE 232; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

CHE 717/717L
Instrumental Analysis
Covers the fundamentals of instrumental methods of analysis, emphasizing spectroscopic, chromatographic, and surface techniques. Laboratory projects make use of the techniques discussed in lectures.
Prerequisites: CHE 232, CHE 314, PHY 270, MAT 152 or equivalent, or permission of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

CHE 719/719L
Synthetic Preparations
The preparation of pure organic compounds is taught. Preparations may include a multistep synthesis or a series of one-step transformations. Methods of handling organometallic reagents are taught, as well as the techniques of scaling up preparations.
Prerequisite: CHE 714; class, 1 hr.; individual conferences and lab, 6 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

CHE 731
Advanced Organic Chemistry
This course covers the principles of physical organic chemistry and the application of reaction mechanisms to the design and synthesis of organic structures. The mechanisms of organic reactions and the relationships between reactivity and structure are stressed.
Prerequisites: CHE 232 and physical chemistry; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

CHE 751
Pharmaceutical Chemistry II
In this course, students will explore the methodology used by medicinal chemists in the organic synthesis, purification, and characterization of drugs. Topics include asymmetric synthesis, organometallic chemistry, carbon-carbon bond formation, formation of ring systems, the manipulation of functional groups, and methods of purification and characterization. Process chemistry used for the large-scale synthesis of drugs entering clinical trials will be discussed.
Prerequisites: CHE 450 or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

CHE 755
Stereochemistry
The concept of stereoisomerism in organic chemistry is systematically studied in simple and complex molecules, with an emphasis on the effects of molecular configuration and conformation on organic reactions.
Prerequisite: CHE 232; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

CHE 810
Heterocyclic Chemistry
An introduction to heterocyclic chemistry is presented along rational lines. Nomenclature, methods of synthesis, and chemical properties of various heterocyclic ring systems are discussed.
Prerequisites: CHE 232 and physical chemistry, or consent of instructor; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

CHE 880
Chemistry Research
This course involves research investigation through both literature and bench work in the area of pharmaceutical chemistry. Six (6) semester hours are required, which are divided over three semesters—spring and summer of Year IV, and fall of Year V. Within this course, students will complete the master’s thesis.
Prerequisite: CHE 445; credit, 3 s.h. each semester: spring, summer, and fall.

Dental Hygiene (DHY)

DHY 202
Dental Anatomy, Embryology, and Histology
Students study oral histology and embryology, dental anatomy, and tooth development and function. Material covered provides the basic anatomical knowledge required for the clinical component of the dental hygiene program.
Prerequisite: admission to dental hygiene professional phase or permission of the dean; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.
DHY 204
Head and Neck Anatomy
Students study the anatomy of the head and neck. Material covered provides the basic anatomical knowledge required for the clinical component of the dental hygiene program.
**Prerequisite:** admission to dental hygiene professional phase or permission of the dean; class, 2 hrs.; credits, 2 s.h.; fall.

DHY 209
Dental Hygiene Process of Care I
This course is an introduction to concepts regarding wellness, health promotion, and disease prevention, and their relationship to the dental hygiene process of care, which emphasizes assessment, diagnosis, and treatment planning for patients. Basic concepts studied in the classroom setting are coordinated with DHY 209L, Pre-clinical Laboratory.
**Class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.**

DHY 209L
Dental Hygiene Pre-clinical Laboratory
This course is an introduction to the dental hygiene process of care, emphasizing assessment, diagnosis, treatment planning, implementation, and evaluation in preparation for direct patient care in a supervised lab setting. Skill development in this lab is introduced in coordination with the concepts presented in DHY 209 Dental Hygiene Process of Care I. Instrumentation skills also are learned and developed using typodonts and student partners.
**Lab, 8 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.**

DHY 211
Dental Hygiene Process of Care II
This course is the second in a four-course series that builds upon the basic principles of the dental hygiene process of care introduced in DHY 209 and 209L. Students will examine the etiology and systemic and oral manifestations related to a variety of medical conditions and illnesses that may require specialized considerations and management related to the dental hygiene process of care.
**Prerequisites:** DHY 202, 204, 209, 209L, 230, 231; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

DHY 223
Dental Hygiene Clinic I
This course is the first in a series of clinical experiences in which students apply integrated multidisciplinary learning to clinical practice. Students will begin to incorporate laboratory skills into a clinical environment. The course will focus on developing clinical competencies to the beginner clinician level.
**Prerequisites:** DHY 200, 208, 230, 231; clinic, 8 hrs.; seminar, 1 hr.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

DHY 230/230L
Dental Radiology
Students gain a basic understanding of the fundamentals of dental radiography, including radiation physics, hygiene, and safety. Emphasis is placed on the fundamentals of radiographic technique, the interpretation of radiographs for diagnostic acceptability, and quality assurance. Concurrent lab sessions include exposure of traditional and digital intraoral images on mannequins and patients to achieve lab and clinical competence.
**Class, 2 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.**

DHY 231/231L
Dental Materials
This course is a study of the basic properties, selection, manipulation, and clinical management of dental materials. Laboratory/clinic sessions provide students with the opportunity to practice techniques such as pit/fissure sealants, polishing of amalgam and composite restorations, impression taking, and study models.
**Class, 2 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.**

DHY 232
Nutrition
Based upon the principles of biochemistry, students review the nature and function of micronutrients and macronutrients essential for health. The role of diet and nutrition, and its form and frequency, related to general and oral disease prevention and health promotion is studied.
**Class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer (accelerated program only), fall (postbaccalaureate program if not taken before matriculation).**

DHY 233
Periodontology
This course focuses on the etiology, histopathology, and clinical manifestations of diseases and conditions of the periodontium. Emphasis is placed on the assessment, diagnosis, and clinical management of periodontal diseases, as well as the relationship between systemic health/disease and periodontal health/disease.
**Prerequisites:** DHY 202, 204, 209, 209L, 230; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

DHY 310
Dental Hygiene Process of Care III
This course builds upon DHY 211, exploring the role of dental hygienists as oral health promotion and disease prevention specialists. Students are introduced to the dental specialties and explore the role of the dental hygienist in each. They apply knowledge from courses and explore the scientific literature for relevant information to analyze clinical case studies. Students learn how to integrate risk assessment and evidence-based modalities into care planning and treatment implementation. Quality assessment and assurance are discussed within the
context of professional standards of care.

**Prerequisites:** DHY 211, 223; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall (accelerated BS program, concurrent with DHY 323), summer (postbaccalaureate program only).

### DHY 311
**Dental Hygiene Process of Care IV**

Students apply knowledge of the dental hygiene process of care to patients with advanced periodontal disease. Using a case-based approach, students explore scientific literature to support a patient-centered treatment plan and present their outcomes during a professional poster session. Classroom discussions involve advanced instrumentation, ethical dilemmas, laws governing the practice of dental hygiene, licensure and employment, practice management, and marketing.

**Prerequisites:** DHY 310, 323; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall, spring.

### DHY 323
**Dental Hygiene Clinic II**

This course is the second in a series of clinical experiences in which students apply integrated multidisciplinary learning to clinical practice. The student will use critical thinking skills to develop and implement treatment plans based on evidence-based standards of care. Principles of time management and quality assessment and assurance are applied and incorporated into clinic management and patient care. The course focuses on developing clinical competencies to the novice clinician level.

**Prerequisites:** DHY 209, 209L, 223, 211; clinic, 12 hours; extramural clinic, 4 hours; seminar, 1 hour; credit, 4 s.h.; fall (accelerated BS program only), summer (postbaccalaureate program only).

### DHY 324
**Dental Hygiene Clinic III**

This course is the last in a series of clinical experiences in which students apply integrated multidisciplinary learning into clinical practice. Students utilize critical thinking techniques to develop treatment plans to efficiently and competently perform clinical skills for various types of patients with varying degrees of disease.

**Prerequisites:** DHY 202, 204, 209, 209L; co-requisites: DHY 211, 223, 233; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring (postbaccalaureate BS program only).

### DHY 330
**Pathology**

This course is a study of basic pathology with emphasis on oral pathology and systemic disease. Diseases of the oral tissues and oral environment are presented with clinical features, histopathology, and treatment modalities.

**Prerequisites:** DHY 202, 204, 209, 209L; co-requisites: DHY 211, 223, 233; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

### DHY 341
**Pain Management Lab**

This laboratory course covers the clinical application and practice of local anesthesia techniques. Students serve as patients for each other, applying the knowledge and skills obtained from DHY 343. Additional coursework may be required to fulfill state licensing and certification requirements.

**Prerequisites:** DHY 202, 204, 211, 223; co-requisite: DHY 343; clinic, 3 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer (accelerated program only), postbaccalaureate co-requisites: DHY 211, 223, 343; spring (postbaccalaureate program only).

### DHY 342
**Pharmacology**

This introductory pharmacology course focuses on commonly used drugs, mechanisms of action, indications, and major adverse effects. Pharmacotherapy of cardiovascular, CNS, endocrine, bacterial, and malignant conditions, along with the principles of drug administration and pharmacokinetics are discussed.

**Prerequisites:** DHY 211, 223; co-requisite: DHY 343; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

### DHY 343
**Pain Management**

Lectures discuss the recognition and management of pain, fear, and anxiety associated with dental treatment. Neuropsychology and pharmacology related to the administration of local anesthesia and nitrous oxide sedation are covered. Additional coursework may be required for state licensure.

**Prerequisites:** DHY 211, 223; co-requisite: DHY 341; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer (accelerated program only); co-requisites, postbaccalaureate program: DHY 211, 223, 341; spring (postbaccalaureate program only).

### DHY 350
**Community Oral Health**

This course examines topics related to dental public health. Basic principles of epidemiology, biostatistics, healthcare delivery systems, methods of financing, and quality assessment are reviewed. Students learn to develop programs in community-based settings, focusing on assessment, prevention, and policy development.

**Co-requisites:** DHY 310, 323; class, 2 hrs.; fieldwork, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall (accelerated program only), summer (postbaccalaureate program).

### DHY 420/4200
**Oral Health Research Methods**

This course introduces the fundamentals of both qualitative and quantitative research methodologies. Topics include protocol development, hypothesis testing, data collection, analysis, and writing a research report. Students use PubMed and other literature-search databases to explore and critique
peer-reviewed dental literature.
Prerequisites: MAT 261, 197, or their equivalent; DHY211, 223, 233, 330; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

DHY 4250
Educational Theories and Methods
Students will explore educational theories as well as didactic and clinical teaching and learning models appropriate for health sciences educational programs. Emphasis will be placed upon learner-centered, active teaching models. The development and use of competency-based student learning outcomes as a guide to instruction will be discussed.
Credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

DHY 432/4320
Directed Study
This course gives students an opportunity to explore in depth a subject relevant to their interests.
Credit, varies.

DHY 460
Capstone Leadership in Dental Hygiene
Students in the last professional year will integrate clinical concepts and expertise with the principles of leadership acquired throughout the curriculum into a reflection paper and develop a project related to oral health.
Prerequisites, DHY 310, 323, 350; co-requisites: DHY 311, 324; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

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DHY 4420
Evidence-Based Dental Practice
Critical analysis and application of evidence-based practice to the dental hygiene process of care as it relates to a diverse patient population.
Credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

DHY 4460
Oral Hygiene in Special Care Populations
Concepts related to providing oral healthcare for special care populations. Emphasis on the assessment, planning, implementation, and evaluation of care for individuals with transient or lifelong physical, mental health, medical, or social healthcare needs.
Credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

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DHY 7010
Essentials of Public Health
Overview of the history, philosophy, and scope of public health and an orientation to core public health functions. Incorporates the foundation for understanding population health, including the organization, financing, and delivery of healthcare services; health policy; and public health ethics. Emphasizes the scientific method as a basis for community health practice, program planning and evaluation, health policy, and research.
Credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

DHY 7030
Program Planning and Evaluation
Develops the comprehen sion of and ability to conduct a community assessment and to design, develop, implement, and evaluate strategies to improve individual and community health. Employs problem-based learning to create project work plans, logic models, logical frameworks, and budgets.
Prerequisites: DHY 701, 714; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

DHY 7060
Health Education and Health Behavior
Surveys the theoretical basis for social, behavioral, psychological, and environmental determinants of individual and population health. Addresses health disparities; social inequalities; and cultural, gender, and economic issues in oral healthcare.
Credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

DHY 7080
Social and Behavioral Foundations for Health
Surveys the theoretical basis for the social, behavioral, psychological, and environmental determinants of individual and population health. Addresses health disparities; social inequalities; and cultural, gender, and economic issues in oral healthcare.
Credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

DHY 7140
Research Methodology and Statistics
Students will learn fundamental biostatistical and study design concepts routinely used in epidemiologic and clinical research, with a special emphasis on oral health research. Concepts will be reinforced through critical evaluation of peer-reviewed oral health research. Furthermore, basic data management and statistical software tools will be discussed.
Credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

DHY 7150
Epidemiology
Study of patterns of disease and injury in the population.
Acquaints student with epidemiologic methods, including
measures of disease frequency and association, data collection systems, surveillance and monitoring, study designs, sampling, control of bias and confounding, and principles of disease screening.

Prerequisite: DHY 714; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**DHY 7220**
Health Policy and Finance
Covers key concepts in the formulation and implementation of health policy with emphasis on delivery, quality, and finance of healthcare for individuals and populations. Explores current health policy issues to develop policy analysis and advocacy skills.

Prerequisite: DHY 701; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**DHY 7510**
Adult Learning Theory and Clinical Teaching for Oral Health Professions Education
Overview of adult learning theory with emphasis on linking theory to practice in dental hygiene educational settings. Addresses the transition from clinician to educator and the role of the clinical educator in the development and facilitation of learning activities to meet the needs of a diverse student population.

Prerequisite: admission to MS program or Certificate in Oral Health Professions Education; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**DHY 7530**
Curriculum and Course Design in Oral Health Professions Education
Emphasizes application of adult learning theory and best practices in student-centered learning as they apply to development of curricular frameworks, outcomes, and competencies along with course design.

Prerequisite: admission to MS program or Certificate in Oral Health Professions Education; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**DHY 7550**
Oral Health Professions Education Practicum
Individualized experience to apply principles and theories in oral health professions education to practice. Advance approval and arrangements are required.

Prerequisites: DHY 751, 753; experiential, 8 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

**DHY 8180**
Research Fundamentals
Covers quantitative and qualitative designs for health research, including data collection, description, and manipulation; formulation of research objectives and hypotheses; and presentation and interpretation of results. Emphasizes application of principles through critiques of oral health research and development of a research protocol.

Prerequisites: DHY 714; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**DHY 8270**
Administration and Management
Provides essential knowledge, skills, and values needed to manage an organization, including strategic planning, financial administration, personnel management, marketing, legislative and regulatory priorities, and communications. Overview of management, leadership, and organizational theories.

Credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**DHY 8310**
Thesis I
The capstone course for the degree is a master’s thesis on an oral health issue that consists of a scholarly written report and presentation on a topic of the student’s choosing, all subject to approval by the student’s program Graduate Advisory Committee.

Prerequisites: DHY 701, 703, 714, 722, 818, 827; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring, summer.

**DHY 8320**
Thesis II
Second-semester continuation of master’s thesis study under the direction of the student’s program Graduate Advisory Committee.

Prerequisite: DHY 831O; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring, summer.

**DHY 8350**
Public Health Practicum
Individualized public health experience designed to apply curriculum content to practice. Advance approval and arrangements are required.

Prerequisites: DHY 701, 703, 706, 714, 722; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

**DHY 8400**
Advanced Dental Hygiene Practice
The course will focus on a broad view of alternative practice settings for dental hygienists with attention to the additional educational requirements needed for practice, including content such as medical history review, updated infection control standards, and risk management.

Credit, 3 s.h.

**DHY 8950**
Graduate Extension of Thesis
All degree students are expected to remain continuously enrolled each semester, excluding summer semesters, until all requirements for the degree have been completed. Students maintain continuing registration by indicating DHY 895O Graduate Extension of Thesis on the registration form and paying a fee.

Credit, none.
Diagnostic Medical Sonography (DMS)

DMS 200
Introduction to Diagnostic Medical Sonography
An introduction to the profession of diagnostic medical sonography and the role of the sonographer. Students will learn sonographic terminology, communication, and professionalism in the clinical setting, and will examine the history of ultrasound, accreditation, professional organizations, and registry significance.
Prerequisite: LIB 220; class, 0.66 hr.; lab, 0.34 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

DMS 202
Obstetrics/Gynecology Sonography I
Students will learn about the normal and abnormal female pelvis, including tumors, pelvic inflammatory diseases, and congenital pelvic pathology. They also will learn the applications and scanning methods of obstetrical sonography, including embryology and the sonographic examination in early pregnancy.
Prerequisite: BIO 210; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

DMS 204
Sonography Laboratory Procedures I
This lab course offers beginning hands-on and experiential learning in the basics of selected sonography protocols: abdomen, pelvis, and individual organs / blood vessels. Under supervision of faculty / clinical coordinator, students will apply the didactic information and integration to practical lab techniques. Cross-sectional anatomy of these structures and their appearance on the sonogram also will be emphasized.
Lab, 12 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

DMS 205
Breast Sonography
Students learn the principles and fundamentals of breast sonography. Exploration of the physics of sonography as it relates to normal and abnormal breast tissue and anatomy. Correlation with other imaging modalities and surgical techniques in breast pathology is stressed and correlated with sonomammography and breast implants.
Prerequisite: BIO 210; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

DMS 206
Abdominal Sonography I
The first course in a two-course series covering sonographic imaging of the abdomen. Students will apply the general principles of sonography scanning procedures; lab values related to patient disease processes; ultrasound characteristics of the various organs; and pathology of the abdominal vasculature, liver, biliary system, pancreas, and spleen.
Prerequisite: DMS 202; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

DMS 207
Fetal and Pediatric Echocardiography
Students participate in a comprehensive discussion about anatomy, physiology, embryology, and pathologies. Special heart views in fetal and pediatric populations are included. Students will apply the echocardiography technology for the diagnosis of congenital and acquired heart diseases.
Prerequisite: BIO 210; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

DMS 208
Sonographic Physics and Instruments I
Students will apply the principles of sound, sound propagation, pulse echo instrumentation, image formation, transducers, and system operation for accurate interpretation of sonographic information and image methodology. The integration of these theories and abstract principles with their practice in clinical applications will be emphasized.
Prerequisites: MAT 141, MAT 261; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

DMS 209
Cardiovascular Principles
Students will learn normal anatomy, physiology, embryology, and hemodynamics of the heart; common pathologies of the heart; the most common medications for the treatment of heart disease; and interpretation of normal and abnormal EKGs. Sonographic studies of the heart are coordinated with the sonography lab (DMS 210L).
Prerequisite: BIO 210; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

DMS 210L
Cardiovascular Laboratory Procedures I
Complete testing protocols are practiced in the lab while reviewing the physical principles related to common pathologies of the heart. Emphasis on Doppler,A-mode, 2-D, 3-D, 4-D, vascular, and fundamental hands-on training in preprocedural, intraprocedural, and postprocedural activities and rhythm analysis. This course includes EKG and electrophysiology of the heart.
Prerequisite: BIO 210; lab, 9 hrs./wk.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

DMS 212
OB/GYN Sonography II
Applications and scanning methods of obstetrical sonography will be the focus of this course. Students will learn the sonographic examination in the estimation of gestational age, the placenta, late pregnancy, abnormal growth and development, and special procedures. Pathology associated with pregnancy will be discussed. The application of sonography in the diagnosis and treatment of infertility also will be studied.
Prerequisite: DMS 202; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.
DMS 214L
Sonography Laboratory Procedures II
Provides a comprehensive overview of the normal and pathological processes of the abdomen, scrotum, breast, thyroid, and ovaries, and prepares students to examine their appearance on ultrasound. Requires mastering the sonography protocols.
Prerequisite: DMS 204; lab, 15 hrs./wk.; credit, 5 s.h.; spring.

DMS 216
Abdominal Sonography I
The second course in a two-course series covering sonographic imaging of the abdomen and small parts. Students will learn scanning procedures, lab values, ultrasound characteristics, and pathology of the gastrointestinal tract, kidneys, urinary tract, adrenal glands, prostate, thyroid/parathyroid glands, and scrotum.
Prerequisite: DMS 206; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

DMS 218
Sonography Physics and Instruments II
This course continues exploring the theoretical and abstract principles that form the technological basis of diagnostic medical sonography. Topics will include Doppler physics and instrumentation, artifacts, quality assurance, and hemodynamics. Physics applications and collaborative learning will be highly emphasized.
Prerequisite: DMS 208; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

Regulatory Affairs (DRA)

DRA 802
Law and Health Policy of Drugs and Devices
A study of the legal principles governing the commercial use of drugs and devices, including contract, tort, intellectual property, and regulatory law. Policy decisions and risk allocations from the legal, social, ethical, and economic perspectives are emphasized.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

DRA 804
FDA and Regulatory Affairs I
Examines the pertinent aspects of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act as it applies to human drug and device development and manufacturing. Special consideration is given to the drug (brand and generic), device, biologic, and orphan drug approval process, as well as marketing, GLP, GCP, GMP, and quality system compliance. Closes with a thorough discussion of the FDA inspection process and enforcement options.
Prerequisite: DRA 804; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

DRA 806
Health Economics
Introduces key concepts in health economics, such as healthcare as an economic commodity, demand and supply, and distribution and equity. The course also covers the methodological and practical application of pharmacoeconomics and outcomes research. Students learn to design and evaluate outcomes studies and assess the impact that these studies have on healthcare delivery.
Prerequisite: DRA 807; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

DRA 807
Statistics in Clinical Research: Interpretation and Application
Emphasizes the interpretation and application of common statistical procedures found in clinical research. Topics include experimental design, sampling, descriptive statistics, estimation, hypothesis testing, p-values, power, analysis of variance, correlation, regression, nonparametric statistics, and analysis of survey data. The use of statistical software for analyzing clinical patient data also is discussed.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

DRA 808
Regulations Governing Human Research
Focuses on the principal ethical and regulatory concepts that formally govern the use of human subjects in biomedical and behavioral research: subjects’ informed consent, researcher-physician conflicting interests, confidentiality, the use of deception/placebos in research, vulnerable research subjects, research in emergency settings, the question of the obligation to participate in biomedical research, scientific misconduct, and risks to research.
Prerequisite: DRA 802; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

DRA 809
Health Epidemiology
Introduces students to the basic concepts and principles of epidemiology as they relate to healthcare. Students learn the basic skills needed to critically evaluate epidemiological literature and apply these data to healthcare decision making.
Prerequisites: DRA 804, 805, 807; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

DRA 810
Case Study Thesis
The capstone course for the degree is a case study thesis, consisting of a scholarly written report and presentation on a topic of the student’s choosing, all subject to approval of the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee.  

 \[ \text{Credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.} \]

**DRA 811**  
**Health Policy Development and Analysis**  
Examines the roles of the federal government and the private sector in developing healthcare policy and drug regulatory policy in a social, political, and economic context. Focuses on healthcare reform, pharmaceutical research, and systems of financing healthcare.  

Prerequisite: consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**DRA 812**  
**Advanced Topics in Regulatory Affairs**  
Examines advanced, specific areas of regulatory affairs with special emphasis on in-depth analysis of emerging issues in agency developments, interagency agreements, and international conferences. A single course coordinator facilitates discussion among students and invited lecturers to explore the depth and breadth of their respective fields.  

Prerequisite: DRA 805; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**DRA 814**  
**Data Analysis and Presentation Capabilities in Regulatory Affairs**  
This course is designed for students to conduct a research project pertinent to professional interests. Students will practice research skills and demonstrate the process of scientific writing of a manuscript suitable for submission to a peer-reviewed journal. By the end of this course, students will present an abstract, paper, and poster. Additionally, students will present findings to MCPHS faculty, peers, and staff; and community partners.  

Prerequisites: completion of three semesters of the DRA program or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall and spring.

**First Year Seminar (FYS)**

**FYS 101**  
**First Year Seminar**  
Assists students with the transition from high school to college by orienting them to University resources, career opportunities, and the academic skills needed for classroom success.  

Required of all first-year students with no prior college experience; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

**Health Care Administration (MHA)**  
**MHA courses in development:**

**MHA XXXO**  
**Introduction to Health Policy and Management**  
3 s.h.

**MHA XXXO**  
**Health Epidemiology**  
3 s.h.

**MHA XXXO**  
**Organization and Systems of Health Care**  
3 s.h.

**MHA XXXO**  
**Advanced Legal and Ethical Aspects of Health Care Administration**  
3 s.h.

**MHA XXXO**  
**Financial Management in Health Care**  
3 s.h.

**MHA XXXO**  
**Quantitative Methods for Health Care Administration Research**  
3 s.h.

**MHA XXXO**  
**Human Resources Management in Health Care**  
3 s.h.

**MHA XXXO**  
**Strategic Planning and Marketing in Health Care**  
3 s.h.

**MHA XXXO**  
**Managed Health Care**  
3 s.h.

**MHA XXXO**  
**Negotiations and Communications**  
3 s.h.

**MHA XXXO**  
**Managing Information**  
3 s.h.

**MHA XXXO**  
**Capstone Seminar**  
3 s.h.

**Health Sciences (HSC, MHS)**

**HSC 3010**  
**Health Promotion**  
Students relate major models and theories of the field of health promotion to strategies for increasing health-enhancing
behaviors, decreasing health risk behaviors, and creating
environments supportive of healthy lifestyles.

Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HSC 3100
Health Care Informatics
Provides an overview of the role of information systems in
healthcare organizations. Students correlate these roles to the
integration of evidence-based practice and research into clinical
decision making and determine the influence of information
systems on health outcomes.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HSC 3200
Writing for Health Science Professionals
Health science professionals must present their work clearly,
technically, and competently for colleague and patient
comprehension. Students will review the writing process with
an emphasis on writing better sentences and paragraphs,
choosing better words, editing, and proofreading. They will
learn how to write research and technical papers, position
papers, patient case studies / histories, manuscripts for
publication, and a personal statement.
Prerequisites: LIB 111 and LIB 112; credit, 3 s.h.

HSC 3250
Health Care Management
Students will explore the history, role, purpose, and necessary
skills of the healthcare manager position. They will become
familiarized with and skilled at using the necessary techniques
that a healthcare manager uses. Students also will learn how to
handle general healthcare management responsibilities such as
conflict resolution, budgeting, strategic planning, and
leadership.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HSC 4010
Public Health and Policy
Students discuss the evolution of the public health system in
the United States and its impact on healthcare delivery. With
this foundation for understanding local, state, national, and
global issues and initiatives, and their impact on health and
wellness across populations, students propose health policy
solutions.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HSC 4100
Research Analysis and Methods
Students critically evaluate allied health and nursing peer-
reviewed and non-peer-reviewed professional literature and
correlate research to the concepts of evidence-based practice.
Students apply research design and methods in individual or
group projects.
Prerequisite: HSC 310; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HSC 4200
Grant Proposal Writing for the Health Sciences
Students learn the various stages of grant writing and the grant
submission process. General and specific techniques that can
increase the chances of funding of grant proposals will be
discussed, including the various sources of funding. With this
foundation, each student will be asked to write a grant
proposal, including the relevant components, on a research
topic of his or her choice.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HSC 4250
Educational Theories and Methods
Students will explore educational theories as well as didactic
and clinical teaching and learning models appropriate for
health sciences educational programs. Emphasis will be placed
upon learner-centered, active teaching models. The
development and use of competency-based student learning
outcomes as a guide to instruction will be discussed.
Credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

HSC 4270
Teaching in the Clinical Setting
This course provides an overview of the clinical setting as a
teaching environment and the roles/responsibilities of the
clinical instructor/preceptor/mentor. Focus is on the concept
of clinical competence and theories related to clinical
education and competency development. Students examine
the selection and application of various clinical
teaching/learning approaches and the importance of
constructive feedback and evaluation.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

HSC 4300
Health Care Management and the Law
Students study laws related to healthcare management in the
United States. Included are those that regulate the nation’s
healthcare institutions and those related to patient rights,
medical malpractice, medical ethics, legal issues, quality of
care, and risk management, as well as current topics related to
the health sciences profession.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

HSC 4350
Health Care Marketing
Students learn the foundation of the healthcare marketing
process: marketing strategies, environmental structure,
consumer relationships, product strategies, and channels of
distribution that are applied within the healthcare
system. Students apply critical thinking approaches to
marketing research processes, strategic marketing processes,
decision-making models, and developing a business plan.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.
HSC 5320
Directed Study
Supervised study in health sciences involving a survey of existing knowledge, self-instructed or faculty-assisted inquiry into previously published data or methodologies, or other faculty-approved study of a nonresearch nature.
Prerequisites: consent of instructor and dean; credit, 1–3 s.h.

MHS courses in development:
MHS XXX0
Introduction to Health Policy and Management
3 s.h.

MHS XXX0
Organization and Systems of Health Care
3 s.h.

MHS XXX0
Quantitative Methods for Health Care Administration Research
3 s.h.

MHS XXX0
Capstone Seminar
3 s.h.

Humanities (HUM)

HUM 251
The Novel
Representative novels are read and discussed as examples of a distinct literary form, as reflections of social and historical events, or as representations of different realities or cultures.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 252
The Short Story
Through a survey of short prose fiction, students study definitions and problems associated with the short story genre; the origins and evolution of the “modern” short story; and connections between texts and their historical, social, and gender contexts. Emphasis is on American stories.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 291
Introduction to Film
Application of visual, literary, historiographic, and semiotic analysis to film. Topics include aesthetics, film theory, visual composition, editing, and narrative. Representative films by such directors as Eisenstein, Huston, Hitchcock, De Sica, and Kurosawa are viewed and discussed.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 340
Introduction to Philosophy
Inquiry concerning the quest for certain knowledge, beginning with ancient Greek philosophy of nature and reality (reading Aristotle or his predecessors, especially Pythagoreans, Skeptics, and Atomists); transitioning to the scientific revolution of the 17th and 18th centuries (Bacon, Descartes, La Mettrie, and Hume); and culminating in our century’s two cultures, the sciences and the humanities.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 341
World Literature
This course reads world literature to explore a chosen topic in depth (e.g., war in world literature). Readings, discussions, and lectures engage literatures from various continents; genres such as the novel, poetry, and short stories; and various time periods.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 350
Selected British Writers
An introduction to some of the major British writers from the Middle Ages to the present. Although attention is paid to historical and biographical materials, the focus of the course is on the literary texts themselves.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 352
Survey of World Religions
Religion is key in U.S. politics, commerce, pop culture, and everyday life, yet few Americans are knowledgeable in any faith, including their own. One must understand both what others believe and also how they believe. This course introduces students to the essential principles and histories of several world religions, with no background in any faith required or favored.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 353
Literary Boston in the 19th Century
Students will read fiction, nonfiction, and poetry writings by 19th-century Boston-based authors such as Emerson, Thoreau, Fuller, and others who viewed literature as a means of shaping America’s political and social landscapes. They will consider how authors sought to answer the country’s call for a unique American literature to establish a unique American identity. Boston field trips included.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 345
Health Care Humanities
An introduction to the principles, disciplines, and values associated with healthcare humanities. Students review medical and health humanities literature; study illness, health
and healthcare through the perspectives of literature, film, philosophy, history, anthropology, and memoir; and write analytical and reflective essays that develop knowledge of how the humanities contribute to healthcare and the education of health professionals.  
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credits, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 354  
Poet and Warrior: Irish Literature, Film, and Culture  
This course is an introduction to Irish film from Man of Aran to contemporary films, and Irish literature from the Iron Age to the present, emphasizing contemporary genres: short stories, plays, poetry, and novels. A selection of Irish films and readings/discussion will introduce students to Irish history and culture. Students analyze the connections between Irish culture, history, film, and literature.  
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credits, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 355  
Science, Technology, and Values  
What is the relationship between science and values? Popular culture often portrays scientific endeavor as diametrically opposed to value-laden activities like religion. This course explores the complex dynamics between the two. In the process, we also will explore the rationality of scientific revolutions and the role novel technologies play in them.  
Prerequisite: LIB 112, LIB 512, HUM 340, or HUM 450; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 356  
Children: Fiction, Film, and Fact  
Children in fiction and films—by adults for adults—are portrayed in a variety of ways, from demonic to angelic, from resourceful to helpless. The class discusses these and other portrayals of children, their significance for children, and their relationship to factual information about children.  
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 357  
Immigrant Literature  
Through the study of literature, students will investigate the fundamental motivations that prompt people to immigrate. Students will be encouraged to assess how immigrants contribute to their new discourse community through language, culture, and religion. Furthermore, students will be urged to consider alternative ways of looking at the world and to enjoy the linguistic and formal elements of immigrant literature.  
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 444  
Creative Writing  
Introduction to writing poetry and creative nonfiction essays informed by analysis of writing techniques. Focus on developing creative expression skills through writing and revising in response to feedback, close reading, and critique of the work of peers and contemporary writers.  
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 450  
Selected Topics  
In-depth study of a particular topic in the humanities. Course content varies with each offering.  
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 452  
Women Writers  
Literature by women from various eras and backgrounds is considered for artistic merit and for capacity to reveal women’s understandings of female health and illness and the factors that enhance or diminish the well-being of women and girls.  
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

HUM 456  
Literature and Medicine  
This course surveys various literary works to explore the historical and cultural factors affecting both the development of narratives about and popular understandings of medicine and illness. Students consider how clinical practice is represented in narratives; how different forms of storytelling reflect attitudes toward illness; and how medical narratives can function as powerful vehicles for social critique.  
Prerequisites: LIB 112 and HUM 345 Health Care Humanities, third- or fourth-year standing in the BS in Premedical and Health Studies program, or fifth-year standing in the Doctor of Pharmacy program; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

HUM 457  
Modern British Writers  
Readings, discussions, and lectures focus on how two to four British writers (e.g., Virginia Woolf, D.H. Lawrence, Katherine Mansfield, E.M. Forster) reflect the modern period, roughly from World War I to World War II, in the style and subject matter of various genres used by the writers.  
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

HUM 458  
Modern American Writers  
This course studies selected American literature from 1900 to 1939, the literary conventions and innovations of the time, and the forces that influenced writers, including World War I, women’s suffrage, technology, race, and ethnicity.  
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.
Instructional Resources (INF)

INF 101
Introduction to the Libraries and Library Services
This module identifies information resources available through the libraries’ website, including the online catalog and electronic journals locator database. Discusses access to local and regional libraries, including the Fenway Library Consortium. Computer-based information and quiz take approximately one hour to complete.
Credit, none; degree requirement; must be completed before a student can register for courses beyond the student’s first two semesters at MCPHS.

INF 102
Research Methods and Database Searching
Students learn the basic concepts of research, including search strategy and retrieval techniques using keyword and subject searching. Includes an introduction to the libraries’ research databases. Computer-based information and quiz take approximately 75 minutes.
Prerequisite: INF 101; credit, none; degree requirement; must be completed before a student can register for courses beyond the student’s first two semesters at MCPHS.

INF 103
Advanced Research Methods
Presents sophisticated searching techniques and the use of other computerized sources. Includes evaluating information found on the Internet and selection of specialty databases. Also includes overviews on copyright, plagiarism, and citation of sources. Computer-based information and quiz take approximately 90 minutes.
Prerequisites: INF 101, 102; credit, none; degree requirement; must be completed before a student can register for courses beyond the student’s first two semesters at MCPHS.

INF 210
Survey of the Literature of Chemistry
Introduces students to the methods used for finding and utilizing chemical information. Print and electronic resources are discussed, including handbooks, indexes, journal and patent literature, online databases, and information from the Internet.
Prerequisites: CHE 231, INF 101, 102, 103, or permission of instructor; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

INF 500
Undergraduate Research Project
Undergraduate students may participate in research in various aspects of information retrieval, analysis, and management as it relates to their individual programs. Consent of the student’s advisor and the library director is required.
Prerequisites: INF 101, 102, 103; credit, 1–2 s.h.; varies.

INF 532
Directed Study
Supervised study in health information literacy, scholarly communication, or informatics involving a survey of existing knowledge, self-instructed and/or faculty-assisted inquiry into previously published data or methodologies, or other faculty-approved study of a nonresearch nature.
Prerequisites: consent of instructor and dean; credit, 1–3 s.h.; varies.

Certificate in Advanced Pharmacy Practice Studies (INT)

INT 201
Intensive TOEFL Prep
This course provides intensive preparation for writing, speaking, listening, and reading as required for the TOEFL Internet-based Test (iBT). The course meets off campus at an ESL affiliate program specializing in preparing students for the TOEFL (iBT) examination. Students may place out of INT 201 through prior language testing.
Prerequisite: admission to the CAPPS program; credits, 3–6 s.h.; spring.

INT 400
Seminar in Pharmacy Practice and Pharmaceutical Sciences I
Part one of a two-semester sequence providing a review of the professional pharmacy curriculum as preparation for the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Equivalency Examination (FPGEE). Students will participate in interactive sessions and apply concepts to pharmacy practice. They will apply drug literature evaluation, practice management, and physical assessment skills. Topics include drug literature evaluation, practice management, physical assessment, biochemistry, biotechnology, infectious diseases, pharmaceutics, and clinical pharmacokinetics.
Prerequisite: admission to the CAPPS program; class, 4 hrs.; credits, 4 s.h.; fall.

INT 401
Seminar in Pharmacy Practice and Pharmaceutical Sciences II
Part two of a two-semester sequence providing a review of the professional pharmacy curriculum as preparation for the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Equivalency Examination (FPGEE). Students will apply concepts to pharmacy practice and drug literature evaluation skills within journal club activities. Topics include medicinal chemistry, pharmacology, pharmacotherapy, pharmacy law / regulatory affairs,
pharmacoepidemiology, pharmacoeconomics, and medication safety. An introduction to FPGEE pharmacy internships is provided.

Prerequisite: INT 400; class, 4 hrs.; credits, 4 s.h.; spring.

INT 500 / INT 501 / INT 502
Pharmacy Internships I and II;
Pharmacy Internships III and IV;
Pharmacy Internships V and VI
Students will be assigned to a series of six supervised pharmacy practice internships in the inpatient and outpatient pharmacy practice settings. During the pharmacy internships, students will gain pharmacy practice experience through structured learning experiences in the inpatient and outpatient settings. They will accumulate the 1,500 hours required for pharmacy licensure by the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

**Liberal Arts (LIB)**

**LIB 104**
Applied Linguistics for Oral Proficiency
Introduces applied linguistics. Students learn about language acquisition, language in society, and the phonology and grammar of American English. Focuses on improving and monitoring the accuracy of their spoken English.
Admission is determined by results of the oral proficiency exam or consent of the instructor.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

**LIB 110**
Introduction to Academic Reading and Writing
This course is an introduction to college-level reading and writing. It covers rhetorical analysis; summary, synthesis, and paragraphing skills; and the development of composition skills, grammar, and vocabulary.
Admission is determined by writing placement or instructor consent. Successful completion is a prerequisite for LIB 111.
Class, 3 hrs.; credits, 3 s.h.; fall.

**LIB 111**
Expository Writing I
Focuses on writing clear and coherent summaries, reports, and essays, with a special focus on understanding, using, and documenting college-level nonfiction texts as evidence for effectively formulating and accurately supporting a thesis.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**LIB 112**
Expository Writing II
Applies LIB 111 skills to writing a research paper and basic literary analysis. Students write a coherent, well-documented paper, requiring library research and the synthesis of professional and popular sources. The literary analysis incorporates knowledge of literary concepts, devices, and techniques.
Prerequisite: LIB 111; co-requisite: INF 102; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**LIB 120**
Introduction to Psychology
Designed to orient students to the scientific study of behavior through the exploration of selected principles and theories of human behavior. Topics include perception, learning and memory, personality development, abnormal behavior, and social influences on behavior.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

**LIB 133**
American Culture, Identity, and Public Life
This course covers a broad sweep of American experiences and examines ways that individuals and communities have perceived themselves as “American.” Students explore how people with differing cultural, ethnic, racial, gender, and socioeconomic backgrounds experienced and contributed to American culture and public life and how they formed American identities. Narratives, ethnographies, histories, and films help develop an understanding of identity formation.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

**LIB 205**
Health Professions Orientation Seminar
This course introduces premedical and health studies majors to the key features of the degree program, including the interdisciplinary curriculum, minor concentration options, and affiliated professional pathway opportunities. It reviews résumé writing, the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT), interview preparation, and career self-assessment.
Prerequisites: BIO 150L, BIO 152, and CHE 132, or permission of instructor; restricted to premedical students; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

**LIB 220**
Introduction to Interpersonal Communication for Health Professionals
Students acquire a theoretical vocabulary for understanding interpersonal communication and for critically examining their commonsense conceptualizations of it. Using case studies and problem-based learning, students learn communication techniques such as displaying empathy, managing groups, being assertive, and managing conflict. Throughout, emphasis is placed on the coordinated and cultural character of interpersonal communication, particularly in patient-centered, interprofessional healthcare contexts.
Prerequisites: LIB 112 and OPE passing score or LIB 253; class, 3
LIB 252
Introduction to Speech
Study and practice of public speaking in order to persuade or inform an audience. Students present several formal and informal speeches and a debate. Emphasizes building confidence and competence in public presentations.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring, summer.

LIB 253
Oral Communication in Health Care
Students learn to improve their speaking and listening skills. They practice speaking formally on biomedical and scientific topics, as well as communicating and writing formally on a variety of topics.
Admission is determined by results of the oral proficiency exam or consent of the instructor.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

LIB 305
Medical College Preparation Course
Students will focus on developing quantitative, written, and verbal reasoning skills in preparation for the MCAT, DAT, or OAT exams. This includes practicing skills related to critical thinking and reading comprehension in scientific disciplines. They also will acquire proficiency in basic medical terminology, as well as learn to apply strategies in regard to taking standardized tests and managing test anxiety. This course does not fulfill the LIB elective distribution requirement.
Prerequisite or co-requisite: PHY 270 or PHY 280 or consent of instructor; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; varies.

LIB 340
Spanish for Health Care Professionals
This course is designed to develop Spanish communication skills in the medical field. Relevant vocabulary/phrases are introduced to enable students to build basic language skills for their work as healthcare providers. The course emphasizes Spanish conversations (patient–healthcare provider) and understanding of written Spanish from documents (medical histories, prescriptions, laboratory results). Some working knowledge of Spanish is necessary.
Prerequisite: Intermediate proficiency in oral and written Spanish; restricted to students in their 3rd year and beyond; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

LIB 420
Interpersonal Communication in the Health Professions
Theory and practice of effective interpersonal communication, including verbal and nonverbal aspects, intercultural communication, empathy, assertiveness, and group process. The class emphasizes an interdisciplinary model of health communication, drawn from readings in the humanities and the social and behavioral sciences.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

LIB 460
Selected Topics in Liberal Arts
In-depth study of a particular topic in writing, speech communication, foreign languages, or semiotics. Course content varies with each offering.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

LIB 480
Premedical and Health Studies
Capstone Seminar
A capstone seminar for Premedical and Health Studies majors focused on independent research. Students discuss research models, submit research proposals for seminar critique, and write interdisciplinary papers that are presented for seminar discussion.
Prerequisite: fourth-year Premedical and Health Studies major or permission of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

LIB 512/5120
Health Care Ethics
Students learn to identify, articulate, and analyze ethical issues in the practice of the biomedical sciences. Drawing on the tools of philosophical bioethics, this course applies established ethical theories and methods of critical thinking to both long-standing and emerging issues. Topics may include some of the following: truth telling, new reproductive technologies, distribution of scarce resources, and responsible conduct of research.
Prerequisite: LIB 112; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

LIB 530
Undergraduate Research Project
Research participation at the undergraduate level in various fields of behavioral sciences, social sciences, and humanities. Consent of instructor and dean.
Prerequisites: LIB 112 and at least one elective in the field selected; credit, 1–3 s.h.; varies.

LIB 532
Directed Study
Supervised study in behavioral sciences, social sciences, and humanities involving a survey of existing knowledge, self-instructed and/or faculty-assisted inquiry into previously published data or methodologies, or other faculty-approved study of a nonresearch nature.
Prerequisites: consent of instructor and dean; credit, 1–3 s.h.; varies.

LIB 590
Health Psychology Field Placement I
Based on their interests, students are matched with a field placement involving research or clinically oriented activities in health psychology. Students meet regularly with the course coordinator to integrate their new experiences with prior knowledge.

**Prerequisite:** Health Psychology major or 12 s.h. of Health Psychology minor coursework and consent of instructor; on-site, 12 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

**LIB 591**  
Health Psychology Field Placement II  
According to their interests, students are matched with a field placement involving research or clinically oriented activities in health psychology. Students meet regularly with the course coordinator on a weekly basis to integrate their new experiences with prior knowledge.

**Prerequisite:** Health Psychology major; on-site, 10 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

**LIB 592**  
Health Psychology Capstone Seminar  
This capstone course for Health Psychology majors focuses on refining literature search techniques and strengthening reading, summarization, and integration skills. Each student selects a topic, conducts library research, presents progress reports, and prepares an APA-style literature review.

**Prerequisites:** Health Psychology major, LIB 590; prerequisite or co-requisite: LIB 591; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

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**Mathematics (MAT)**

**MAT 141***  
Algebra and Trigonometry  
Covers roots, radicals, and fractional exponents; quadratic equations, linear and quadratic functions, graphing techniques, variation, exponential functions, logarithms, log-log and semilog graphs, trigonometric functions, and solving right triangles, with applications to biology, physics, and chemistry.

**Prerequisite:** admission to the BS programs in the School of Medical Imaging and Therapeutics (except for MRI); class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

**MAT 142***  
Mathematics for Nurses  
Students learn to utilize the mathematics required for the Nursing program. Topics include fractions, decimals, percentages, proportions, and conversions within and between metric and nonmetric systems. Emphasis is placed on problem-solving techniques for rational equations and percentage problems, especially on modeling and calculations with solutions, concentrations, drug dosage, and intravenous flow rates. Calculator use is limited. Not for general elective credit.

**Prerequisite:** admission to the Boston BS in Nursing program; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**MAT 143***  
Mathematics for Dental Hygienists  
Students learn to utilize the mathematics required for the Dental Hygiene program. Topics include fractions, decimals, percentages, proportions, algebra, measurement systems, conversion procedures, linear equations, graphing, variation, exponential and logarithmic functions, and basic geometry.

Not for general elective credit.

**Prerequisite:** admission to the BS in Dental Hygiene program; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**MAT 150***  
Precalculus  
This course covers the real number system, and functions and their graphs, including polynomial, rational, exponential, logarithmic, and trigonometric functions, with applications to biology, physics, and chemistry. Students may not receive credit for both MAT 141 and MAT 150.

**Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.**

* Credit may be earned for only one of the following four courses: MAT 141, MAT 142, MAT 143, and MAT 150.

**MAT 151**  
Calculus I  
Derivatives and their interpretations and applications are covered. Topics include limits, derivative rules, implicit differentiation, curve sketching, and optimization problems. Emphasis is placed on polynomial, exponential, and logarithmic functions, with applications to biology, physics, and chemistry.

**Prerequisite:** MAT 150 or equivalent; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

**MAT 152**  
Calculus II  
Integration and its interpretation, techniques, and applications are covered. Topics include indefinite, definite, and improper integrals, as well as first-order differential equations, with applications to biology, physics, and chemistry.

**Prerequisite:** MAT 151 or equivalent; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

**MAT 171**  
Calculus I (Advanced)  
Derivatives and their interpretations and applications are covered in depth. Topics include limits, derivative rules, implicit differentiation, curve sketching, and optimization problems. Emphasis is on applications to biology, physics, and chemistry.

**Prerequisite:** by math placement; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.
MAT 172
Calculus II (Advanced)
Integration and its interpretation, techniques, and applications are covered in depth. Topics include indefinite, definite, and improper integrals, as well as first-order differential equations, partial derivatives, and repeated integrals, with applications to biology, physics, and chemistry.
Prerequisite: MAT 171 or its equivalent; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

MAT 197
Computer Applications
This course provides a hands-on introduction to Microsoft Office applications—word processing, spreadsheets, charting, and presentations—as well as computer concepts that are fundamental to the field of health sciences.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

MAT 261
Statistics
An introduction to descriptive and inferential statistical principles. Topics include summary statistics, regression, normal distribution, hypothesis testing, and estimation of parameters. Emphasis is placed on applications to biology, chemistry, and physics.
Prerequisite: Completion of at least one 100-level mathematics course, or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

MAT 461
Biostatistics
The continuation of MAT 261 covers topics including power analysis and sample size determination, ANOVA, post hoc tests, risk ratios, regression analyses, and selected nonparametric methods. Emphasis is placed on scientific reasoning: reading, writing, interpreting, and validating statistical analyses found in public health, behavioral, and health sciences journal articles. Students will utilize software to develop written and oral presentations.
Prerequisite: MAT 261 or equivalent; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

MAT 530
Undergraduate Research Project
Research participation at the undergraduate level is offered in the fields of computer science and mathematics. Students study a particular subject or research topic in depth.
Prerequisites: consent of instructor and dean; credit, 1–3 s.h.; varies.

MAT 532
Directed Study
Supervised study in computer sciences and mathematics involving a survey of existing knowledge, self-instructed and/or faculty-assisted inquiry into previously published data or methodologies, or other faculty-approved study of a nonresearch nature.
Prerequisites: consent of instructor and dean; credit, 1–3 s.h.; varies.

MAT 763
Advanced Statistics
Covers commonly practiced statistical methods and experimental designs used in research. Topics include analysis of variance, regression, and nonparametric statistics. Some coursework requires interpreting and validating statistical analyses in research papers.
Prerequisite: MAT 261 or its equivalent, or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

Clinical Research (MCR)

MCR 801
Pharmaceutical R&D: From Discovery to Market
The major functions of biopharma R&D groups are to discover, develop, manufacture, and market new drugs. Students will learn about the activities and processes involved in development of a new product from discovery through postmarketing. Candidates for this program include those interested in pursuing a career in the bio/pharmaceutical industry, a regulatory agency, or a clinical site–based research program.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

MCR 802
Research Methodology and the Development of Protocols and Proposals
Students will learn the elements required to develop a scientifically sound clinical protocol or research proposal. They will evaluate the processes required to develop a feasible and relevant research question, understand research methodology, and choose a study design. Candidates for this program include those interested in pursuing a career in the bio/pharmaceutical industry, a regulatory agency, or a clinical site–based research program.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

MCR 803
Conducting Clinical Research Studies
Conducting clinical research according to good clinical practices is key to the success of any clinical study. Students will learn the requirements for the successful conduct of clinical research from the FDA, IRB, industry sponsor, and clinical investigator perspectives. Candidates for this program include those interested in pursuing a career in the bio/pharmaceutical industry, a regulatory agency, or a clinical site–based research program.
Prerequisites: MCR 8X1, 8X2; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.
MCR 804  
**Graduate Project in Clinical Research**  
Students will independently research and develop a clinical protocol and the accompanying study schema, data collection instruments, and informed consent document. Upon completion, they will present and defend their project to a graduate review committee. Candidates for this program include those interested in pursuing a career in clinical research in either the pharmaceutical industry or a clinical site–based research program.  
*Prerequisites: MCR 8X2; self-instruction; credit, 3 s.h.*

**Physician Assistant Studies—Manchester/Worcester (MPA)**

MPA 527  
**Health Care Issues I**  
Designed to provide students with an understanding of psychology as it influences the practice of clinical medicine. Addresses skills in interviewing and communication that are needed in the practice of primary care.  
*Class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.*

MPA 528  
**Health Care Issues II**  
Designed to highlight the medical and legal responsibilities of physician assistants. Emphasis is on medical ethics, medicolegal issues, and healthcare policy.  
*Prerequisite: MPA 527; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.*

MPA 529  
**Health Care Issues III**  
Designed to provide students with a historical perspective of the profession as well as current issues affecting physician assistant (PA) practice. Research methodology is investigated, building on the previous semester's course, including statistical analysis. The student is introduced to the role of the PA in medicine through collective and collaborative instruction.  
*Prerequisite: MPA 528; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.*

MPA 530  
**Clinical Medicine I**  
Utilizing multiple instructional methods, students learn the principles of clinical medicine by incorporating the pathophysiology of disease by system and specialty as well as addressing clinical therapeutics. Includes modules in medical terminology, endocrinology, clinical laboratory medicine, EENT (ears, eyes, nose, and throat), radiology, genetics, and pulmonology.  
*Class, 6 hrs.; credit, 6 s.h.; spring.*

MPA 531  
**Clinical Medicine II**  
Students build upon the knowledge and skills attained in MPA 530 and study the presentation of the following systems and subjects: cardiovascular, gastroenterology, orthopedics, rheumatology, and clinical psychiatry. Disorders are presented by system and specialty in conjunction with clinical therapeutics.  
*Prerequisites: MPA 527, 530, 541, 546; co-requisites: MPA 538, 542, 547; class, 7 hrs.; credit, 6 s.h.; summer.*

MPA 532  
**Clinical Medicine III**  
Students build upon the materials taught in MPA 530 Clinical Medicine I and MPA 531 Clinical Medicine II, and study the presentation of the following systems and subjects: nephrology, neurology, infectious disease, and hematology/oncology.  
*Prerequisites: MPA 530, 531; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.*

MPA 538/538L  
**Patient Assessment I**  
Students learn the foundational skills and techniques required to gather a complete history and perform a thorough physical examination of a simulated patient. Students integrate knowledge obtained in MPA 530. During laboratory sessions, students learn proper use of diagnostic equipment and technique to perform a comprehensive physical examination of the skin, head, neck, eyes, ENT, and CV/PV. They also learn how to perform a mental status exam.  
*Co-requisite: MPA 530; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.*

MPA 539/539L  
**Patient Assessment II**  
Builds upon the foundational skills and techniques learned in MPA 538 to complete a thorough physical examination. Students also learn diagnostic examinations of the pulmonary, abdominal, neurologic, and musculoskeletal systems. They integrate knowledge of the structure and function of the human body, coupled with laboratory sessions emphasizing the proper use of diagnostic equipment and technique, to perform a comprehensive physical examination.  
*Prerequisite: MPA 538; class, 3.5 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; summer.*

MPA 541  
**Pharmacology I**  
Pharmacodynamic, pharmacokinetic, and pharmacotherapeutic principles are introduced to provide a foundation for the study of pharmacology and therapeutics. Combined lecture and active learning exercises are designed to develop the pharmacologic and therapeutic skills that a physician assistant needs to enhance patient care in clinical practice, focusing on autonomic pharmacology as well as pulmonary, inflammatory,
infectious, malignant, and psychiatric diseases. 
Co-requisite: MPA 530; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

MPA 542
Pharmacology II
Students build upon the knowledge and skills obtained in MPA 541. Combined lecture and active learning exercises are designed to develop the pharmacologic and therapeutic skills that a physician assistant needs to enhance patient care in clinical practice, focusing on cardiology, gastroenterology, endocrinology, and neurology.
Prerequisites: MPA 530, 541; co-requisite: MPA 531; class, 3.5 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

MPA 543
Pharmacology III
Students build upon the knowledge and skills obtained in MPA 541 and 542. Combined lectures and active learning exercises are designed to develop the pharmacologic and therapeutic skills that a physician assistant needs to enhance patient care in clinical practice, focusing on inflammatory, infectious, and malignant diseases. Students utilize the clinical literature and evaluate patient cases as they relate to pharmacology.
Prerequisites: MPA 531, 542; co-requisite: MPA 532; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

MPA 544/544L
Clinical Anatomy
Examine human morphology and the fundamental relationships between neurological, musculoskeletal, cardiovascular, gastrointestinal, respiratory, renal, and reproductive systems with conceptual presentations of every major region of the human body. Emphasis is on clinical application of this knowledge.
Class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

MPA 546
Physiology/Pathophysiology I
Students learn integrative human physiology and pathophysiology involving the cardiovascular, pulmonary, renal, and musculoskeletal systems with an emphasis upon homeostatic mechanisms and etiologies of disease. The interrelationships of function and dysfunction at the molecular, cellular, tissue, organ, and systemic level provide a foundation for MPA 530 Clinical Medicine I.
Co-requisite: MPA 530; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

MPA 547
Physiology/Pathophysiology II
Students learn integrative human physiology and pathophysiology involving the gastrointestinal, neurological, endocrine, and reproductive systems with an emphasis upon homeostatic mechanisms and etiologies of disease. The interrelationships of function and dysfunction at the molecular, cellular, tissue, organ, and systemic level provide a foundation for MPA 530 and 532 Clinical Medicine II and III.
Prerequisites: MPA 530, 546; co-requisite: MPA 531; class, 3.5 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

MPA 550
Emergency Medicine
Students learn medical disorders and traumatic injuries that commonly present to the emergency department. Utilizing a case-based format, students learn the appropriate diagnostic and therapeutic measures to treat or stabilize patients with life-threatening trauma or illness.
Prerequisites: MPA 530, 531; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

MPA 552/552L
Medical Procedures and Surgery
Through lectures and laboratory exercises, students learn how to perform procedures such as suturing, splinting, wound care, intravenous insertions, injections, placement of nasogastric tubes, and Foley catheter placement. Students also learn the principles of surgery, including preoperative, intraoperative, and postoperative care, and minor surgical procedures.
Prerequisites: completion of all Year I MPA courses; spring, summer MPA courses; class, 1 hr.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

MPA 554/554L
Special Populations
Students learn about primary care subspecialties, including women’s health, pediatrics, and geriatrics. This class is taught in a modular format using a variety of learning methods, including traditional lectures and interactive techniques, such as case-based learning. Student experiences include simulated patient encounters that facilitate skills in the examination of adult male and female genitalia.
Prerequisites: MPA 530, 531; class, 4 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 5 s.h.; fall.
NOTE: Clinical clerkships represent a full calendar year. Order of rotations is based on availability of sites.

MPA 560
Service Learning
An introduction to the concepts and practice of service, care, and responsibility. Students perform community service and meet in seminars to discuss the work they are doing, thus combining and integrating service and learning.
Class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

MPA 620
Professional Development
During the clinical phase, students prepare for transition to the professional role by developing employment skills and learning about professional practice issues. Students learn a framework necessary to achieve and maintain certification.
Prerequisite: completion of all Year I MPA courses; class, 1.5 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

MPA 622  
Capstone for Physician Assistants  
Students synthesize the knowledge and skills obtained during the program through successful completion of a summative OSCE (objective skills clinical evaluation) and a comprehensive written exam. By displaying competency in both analyzing and integrating patient data, students demonstrate the skills necessary for competent PA practice. Students also develop individual clinical portfolios to provide a framework for lifelong learning.  
Prerequisite: completion of all Year I MPA courses; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

MPAC 600, 601  
Medicine I, II  
These rotations provide clinical experience with common diseases and the manifestation of acute and chronic illnesses. Learning experiences include the traditional approach to direct, initial, and comprehensive care for patients of all ages in inpatient and outpatient settings as well as continuity of care for the individual patient and the family. Students interview and examine patients, synthesize information to identify problems, and formulate and implement therapeutic plans.  
Prerequisite: successful completion of all didactic year courses; experiential, 32–60 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks; credit, 5 s.h./course.

MPAC 602  
Primary Care  
This rotation teaches the application of medical knowledge to the evaluation of primary care problems encountered in general medicine. Understanding of these disorders is accomplished during the accurate collection of data, identification of problems, and development of differential diagnosis and management plans. Students interview and examine patients, synthesize information to identify problems, and formulate and implement therapeutic plans. Health promotion and health maintenance are an integral part of the rotation.  
Prerequisite: successful completion of all didactic year courses; experiential, 32–60 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks; credit, 5 s.h.

MPAC 603  
Pediatrics  
This rotation provides clinical experience with normal infant, child, and adolescent development as well as with common diseases of childhood. Learning experiences include but are not limited to eliciting history from the parent/patient, performing the appropriate developmental screening, and developing a rapport with the patient so that an appropriate physical examination can be performed. Diagnoses of common illnesses and patient/parent education in preventive issues also are emphasized.  
Prerequisite: successful completion of all didactic year courses; experiential, 32–60 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks; credit, 5 s.h.

MPAC 604  
Psychiatry  
This rotation provides clinical experience with patients diagnosed with common psychiatric disorders. The student gains familiarity with the use of the DSM-IV in classifying mental illness and is exposed to a variety of treatment modalities for psychiatric disorders.  
Prerequisite: successful completion of all didactic year courses; experiential, 32–60 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks; credit, 5 s.h.

MPAC 605  
Surgery  
This rotation provides clinical experience with medical conditions requiring surgical treatment and exposes students to the behaviors, techniques, and procedures involved in the setting of the operating suite. Learning experiences include but are not limited to preop histories and physicals, intraoperative procedures and assisting, and postop management of surgical patients.  
Prerequisite: successful completion of all didactic year courses; experiential, 32–60 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks; credit, 5 s.h.

MPAC 606  
Women’s Health  
This rotation provides clinical experience in normal female healthcare including care of the gravid woman. It may also provide an opportunity to become familiar with the stages of labor and the delivery of a healthy term infant, as well as common emergencies encountered during labor and delivery and management of the high-risk pregnancy. Education of patients and preventive care from menarche to menopause and beyond are emphasized.  
Prerequisite: successful completion of all didactic year courses; experiential, 32–60 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks; credit, 5 s.h.

MPAC 607  
Emergency Medicine  
This rotation provides clinical experience with common urgent and emergent health problems. Students are exposed to minor and more serious life-threatening emergencies, as well as some trauma cases. NOTE: This rotation will not be scheduled in the first two clerkships.  
Prerequisite: successful completion of all didactic year courses; experiential, 32–60 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks; credit, 5 s.h.

MPAC 609  
General Elective Rotation  
Upon completion, the student is able to use the problem-oriented approach to elicit a medical history, perform a pertinent physical examination, obtain indicated laboratory studies, assess the results, formulate a management plan,
transmit information, and assist in the implementation of appropriate therapy for the common problems encountered in either of these rotations.
Prerequisite: successful completion of all didactic year courses; experiential, 32–60 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks; credit, 5 s.h.

MPAC 609T
International Rotations
General elective rotation.
Prerequisite: successful completion of all didactic year courses; experiential, 32–60 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks; credit, 5 s.h.

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

MRI 3050
MRI Patient Care
In this online course, students become familiar with the basics of patient care through the use of case studies, online discussions, and up-to-date online and text materials. Topics include patient interactions, transfer and immobilization techniques, vital signs, infection control, medical emergencies, and an introduction to contrast media used in magnetic resonance imaging.
Prerequisite: successful completion of all preprofessional courses as required for the BS MRI program, or admission to the postbaccalaureate BS MRI program; class, 1 hr.; service learning, 4 hrs./wk.; credit, 2 s.h.; 10-week spring.

MRI 310
Care-Provider Skills for Clinical Imaging
The student will become familiar with essential care-provider skills that are utilized by healthcare professionals through service work at a student-assigned placement site. This course utilizes the service learning method of instruction, in which the student will have exposure to communication and personal interactions, compassion and empathy, and professional responsibility as related to addressing patient needs as a future healthcare professional.
Co-requisites: LIB 220, MRI 305; class, 1 hr.; service learning, 4 hrs./wk.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

MRI 401
Physical Principles of Magnetic Resonance Imaging
Students learn the physical principles of magnetic resonance imaging based on the discussion of both classical and quantum physics. Topics include magnetic field properties, electromagnetic spectrum, system hardware, instrumentation, tissue characteristics, spatial localization, and the basics of pulse sequencing.
Prerequisite: successful completion of all preprofessional courses as required for the BS MRI program, or admission to the postbaccalaureate BS MRI program, or admission to the MRI Advanced Certificate program; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

MRI 402
Introduction to Clinical MRI
Students become familiar with the clinical aspects of magnetic resonance imaging. They use information provided in the didactic portion of this course along with lab and clinical experience to acquire the skills related to patient care and safety and the basic flow of a magnetic resonance facility.
Prerequisites: MRI 305, LIB 220; co-requisites: MRI 401, 405; RSC 310; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; 11 weeks plus 40 clinical hrs./wk. for 1 week; summer.

MRI 405
Magnetic Resonance Imaging Safety and Applications
Students learn to understand MRI from the standpoint of safety and clinical application. Personal safety, safety of co-workers, and patient safety and comfort are discussed as primary responsibilities of the technologist. Students learn about special patient care issues unique to MRI through a case study approach.
Prerequisite: admission to the MRI professional phase or Advanced Certificate program; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

MRI 410
Magnetic Resonance Imaging Procedures
Students utilize knowledge obtained in MRI Principles to understand and build standard MRI protocols used for imaging procedures. Protocol parameters, coil selection, and imaging options for all anatomic regions are presented. In addition, students learn advanced imaging procedures, indications for contrast-enhanced imaging, and application of postprocessing procedures.
Prerequisites: MRI 305, 401, 405; RSC 310; or admission to the MRI Advanced Certificate program; co-requisites: MRI 415, 419; PSB 320; RSC 325; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

MRI 415
Magnetic Resonance Image Production and Quality
Students utilize knowledge obtained in MRI Principles to build and apply proper pulse sequence parameters for optimization of MR images. Artifact reduction based on appropriate imaging option selection is discussed. Students learn to maximize image quality while ensuring both the safety and comfort of the patient.
Prerequisites: MRI 401, 402, 405; RSC 310; LIB 220; or admission to the MRI Advanced Certificate program and MRI 401 and 410; co-requisites: MRI 410, 419; PSB 320; RSC 325; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

MRI 420C
Clinical Internship I
Students practice patient care and safety, and become familiar
with coil and protocol selection and basic scanning parameters. They use information provided during the lab to practice patient care and imaging skills at an assigned clinical facility under the direct supervision of a registered MRI technologist. Students have access to the facilities, personnel, examinations, and materials to meet the course objectives.

**Prerequisites:** MRI 401, 405; co-requisites: MRI 410, 415; RSC 325; 16 clinical hrs./wk. for 14 weeks; credit, 5 s.h.; fall.

**MRI 421C Clinical Internship II**
Students practice the skills necessary to obtain high-quality MR images while maintaining the safety and comfort of patients. This progressive competency-based course takes place at a clinical education facility under the direct supervision of a registered MRI technologist. Students have access to the facilities, personnel, examinations, and materials to meet the course objectives.

**Prerequisites:** MRI 401, 402, 405, 410, 415; RSC 310, 325; LIB 220; co-requisite: MRI 430; 32 clinical hrs./wk. for 14 weeks; credit, 10 s.h.; spring.

**MRI 421C Clinical Internship III**
Students achieve competency in obtaining high-quality MR images while maintaining the safety and comfort of patients. This progressive competency-based course takes place at a clinical education facility and uses performance objectives based on the ARRT requirements as a measure of achievement.

**Prerequisites:** MRI 415, 420C, 430; 40 clinical hrs./wk. for 11 weeks; credit, 10 s.h.; summer.

**MRI 425C Advanced Certificate Clinical Internship**
The student will become familiar with the clinical aspects of magnetic resonance imaging and will use the clinical experience to acquire the necessary skills to complete the required performance competencies in order to be eligible to apply for the ARRT MRI registry exam.

**24 clinical hrs./wk.; credit, 8 s.h.; fall.**

**MRI 430 Magnetic Resonance Pathology**
Students recognize common pathology seen on MR images utilizing information and case studies provided online and in text. Applying knowledge gained through the course, students prepare their own case studies demonstrating their ability to select and apply appropriate pathology sequences.

**Prerequisites:** MRI 401, 402, 410; RSC 310, 325; LIB 220; or admission to the MRI Advanced Certificate program and MRI 401 and 410; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

**Medication Safety (MSM)**

**MSM 701 Introduction to Medication Safety**
This course will expose students to medication safety concepts utilized in a variety of settings. Students will critically assess various adverse drug events and recommend corresponding prevention strategies that incorporate both human and system factors. Students will have a Bachelor’s degree and currently be practicing in a healthcare setting.

**Credit, 2 s.h.**

**MSM 702 Introduction to Quality Health Care**
This course will familiarize students with the definition, evolution, and implications of quality in healthcare. Students will utilize various methods to assess quality in healthcare, formulate quality criteria and standards, and apply models for quality improvement. Students will learn how to construct a monitoring system and measure outcomes to successfully implement a quality improvement plan.

**Credit, 2 s.h.**

**MSM 703 Communication and the Team Approach**
**Credit, 2 s.h.**

**MSM 704 Medication Safety Tools, Analysis, and Application**
**Credit, 3 s.h.**

**MSM 705 Longitudinal Application Project**
**Credit, 3 s.h.**

**Nuclear Medicine Technology (NMT)**

**NMT 215/215L Nuclear Medicine Procedures I**
This is the first in a sequence of courses covering the basic theory and techniques of nuclear medicine technology imaging. Scans are discussed in detail to cover the anatomy and physiology, radiopharmaceutical of choice, and imaging techniques, as well as the disease process.

**Prerequisite: BIO 210; co-requisite: NMT 271; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.**

**NMT 216 Nuclear Medicine Procedures II**
Continues discussion of the basic theory and techniques of nuclear medicine technology imaging. Scans are discussed in detail to cover the anatomy and physiology.
radiopharmaceutical of choice, and imaging techniques, as well as the disease process.
*Prerequisite: NMT 215; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.*

**NMT 250**  
*Foundations of Nuclear Medicine Technology Clinical Practice*  
Provides students with the fundamentals of a nuclear medicine operation: equipment, computers, radiation safety, pharmaceutics, and processes. Students spend time in the nuclear medicine laboratory learning through a competency workbook. This gives them hands-on experience in a safe laboratory environment.
*Prerequisite: BIO 210; co-requisites: NMT 216, 272; class, 1 hr./wk. for 5 weeks; experiential, 4 hrs./wk. for 10 weeks; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.*

**NMT 260**  
*Informatics in Nuclear Medicine*  
Introduces students to the basics of computer hardware, principles, and terminology, as well as uses of the computer in nuclear medicine. It provides in-depth knowledge of word processing, spreadsheet, charting, presentation, and database management software applications. Users of the Internet and intranet are studied with emphasis on information searches for academic and professional purposes. Software and hardware interfaces with scintillation cameras are covered.
*Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.*

**NMT 265**  
*Nuclear Cardiology*  
Discusses nuclear cardiology procedures and related information regarding cardiology, such as ECG interpretation, cardiac medications, cardiovascular disease, and the ischemic cascade. Pharmacologic stress agents also will be discussed.
*Prerequisite: NMT 215; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.*

**NMT 270**  
*Radiopharmaceuticals*  
Study of major radiopharmaceuticals used in nuclear medicine. Topics include method of preparation, mechanism of action, quality control, toxicity, cost, and practical considerations regarding their use in nuclear medicine.
*Prerequisite: NMT 271 or equivalent; class, 3 hours; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.*

**NMT 271/271L, 272/272L**  
*Radiation Physics and Instrumentation I and II*  
The basic principles of radiation, atomic and nuclear physics, and instrumentation. Topics include quantum mechanics of atoms and nuclei, properties of radionuclides, interaction of radiation with matter, exposure, dose, health physics, and instrumentation used in the practice of nuclear medicine.
*Prerequisite for NMT 271: PHY 181 or equivalent; prerequisites for NMT 272: NMT 215, 271; co-requisites: NMT 216, 250, 270; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h./course; fall, spring.*

**NMT 275**  
*Positron Emission Tomography*  
Positron emission tomography (PET) physics, instrumentation, and procedures are discussed along with radiopharmaceutical and radioisotope of choice. Image manipulation and standard unit values (SUV) calculations are discussed in detail.
*Prerequisite: NMT 215; co-requisite: NMT 216; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.*

**NMT 330C**  
*Nuclear Medicine Internship I*  
Each rotation provides supervised practical internship education in nuclear medicine technology at hospital or radiopharmacy affiliates. Progression is contingent upon successful completion of previous rotation.
*Prerequisite: NMT 216; clinical, 36 hrs./wk.; credit, 12 s.h.; fall.*

**NMT 332C**  
*Nuclear Medicine Internship II*  
Each rotation provides supervised, practical internship training in nuclear medicine technology at hospital affiliates. Progression is contingent upon successful completion of previous rotation.
*Prerequisites: NMT 330C, RSC 305; co-requisite: NMT 390; clinical, 36 hrs./wk. for 15 weeks; credit, 12 s.h.; spring.*

**NMT 390**  
*Problem Solving in Nuclear Medicine*  
The course is a discussion laboratory where students in the final semester of the Nuclear Medicine program gather in small groups each week with a facilitator and a new case or “problem” to discuss and research. The course is designed to develop the students’ critical thinking skills and tie together information from their didactic coursework and clinical rotations.
*Prerequisites: NMT 215, 216, 330C; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.*

**Nursing (NUR)**

**NUR 205**  
*Nursing History, Knowledge, and Narrative*  
Students learn the vision, mission, core values, and philosophy of MCPHS and the School of Nursing, as well as the history of nursing as it has relevance for contemporary nursing practice. They explore knowledge and values, including the theoretical underpinnings of nursing knowledge, emerging nursing science, and the professional behaviors expected of nursing students. Students gain a broad perspective about contemporary nursing practice through the use of narrative.
NUR 208
Essential Concepts of Nursing
Students gain foundational knowledge about the essential concepts of nursing for the beginning nursing student. They link the history and knowledge of nursing to the student’s own emerging practice. Students examine the essential concepts of nursing practice and nursing science and relate them to existing beliefs and attitudes. Students examine the MCPHS core competencies of critical thinking, communication, assessment, and technical skills, and begin to apply systematic thinking and problem solving to the practice of nursing.
Prerequisite: NUR 205; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; Boston—fall; Worcester—fall, spring; Manchester—fall.

NUR 215/215L
Nursing Skills and Technologies
Students gain foundational knowledge and skills and recognize skill acquisition as an ongoing component of safe and effective nursing practice. They begin to utilize skills and technologies required for delivery of safe and competent nursing care. Students learn to approach skill acquisition as a theoretical and analytical process that involves understanding the relevant scientific principles underlying development of skill mastery. Students actively participate in clinical simulation labs and engage in cooperative learning with guidance from faculty.
Prerequisite: NUR 205; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; Boston—fall; Worcester—fall, spring; Manchester—fall.

NUR 226
Pathophysiologic and Pharmacologic Approach to Nursing Practice
Students build on prerequisite biological sciences courses and gain foundational knowledge regarding pathophysiologic and pharmacological principles. They learn the etiology, pathogenesis, and clinical manifestations of selected health problems across the lifespan in diverse populations, and the efficacious use of pharmaceutical agents, including the nurse’s role in safe medication administration. Students learn the pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics of pharmaceutical agents and their use in health promotion, treatment, and symptom management across the lifespan in diverse populations.
Prerequisites (Boston): BIO 255; NUR 208, 215; LIB 220; co-requisite: NUR 245; class, 6 hrs.; credit, 6 s.h.; Boston—spring; Worcester—fall, spring; Manchester—fall.

NUR 245/245L
Health Assessment and Promotion
Students acquire foundational knowledge of health assessment and health promotion, and their relationship to comprehensive nursing care. They learn to perform a comprehensive and holistic assessment of the patient across the lifespan, including systematic collection, analysis, and synthesis of health data from patients and secondary sources. Students develop the organizational and critical thinking skills necessary for the planning and delivery of nursing care, and integrate the essential nursing core competencies and concepts of health promotion, risk reduction, and disease prevention in the clinical laboratory setting.
Prerequisites: NUR 208, 215; BIO 255; LIB 220; NUR 208 (Boston); class, 42 hrs. per semester; lab, 42 hrs. per semester; credit, 4 s.h.; Boston—fall; Worcester—spring, summer; Manchester—spring.

NUR 250
Chemistry of Nutrition
Students will analyze the basic chemical principles of the science of nutrition and discuss their influence on the promotion of good health and disease prevention. Topics will include a study of the chemical components of food (natural and synthetic), the biochemical breakdown of food, and how nutrients and vitamins function in human metabolism.
Prerequisite: RN licensure; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

NUR 300
Service Learning within the Profession of Nursing
Students acquire foundational knowledge about the characteristics of the nursing professional and the roles and responsibilities of the baccalaureate-prepared nurse through a variety of service learning venues. This experiential learning will allow the student to develop a sense of caring, social responsibility, civic engagement, and cultural competence. The student will participate in community service and meet in seminars to facilitate integration of learning and service. Boston only.
Prerequisite: NUR 226, 245; co-requisite: NUR 325, 330; class, periodic during summer semester; service learning, 1 hr./wk.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

NUR 325/325L
Provider of Care I: Adult and Elder Health
Students apply the concepts and principles acquired in all prior Nursing courses to the provision of holistic nursing care for adults and elders with health problems in diverse clinical settings. They actively participate in the clinical setting and engage in cooperative learning with guidance from faculty and clinical partners. Students begin to apply foundational knowledge of nursing to the development of the essential nursing competencies in the clinical setting. Through immersion in the clinical practice environment, students begin to examine and enact the professional nursing role, as well as beginning to develop professional relationships with patients, clinical partners, and members of the interdisciplinary healthcare team.
NUR 330  
**Nursing Informatics and Health**  
**Care Technologies**  
Students acquire foundational knowledge of nursing and healthcare informatics, gaining an understanding of the theories and social and economic forces influencing the development and application of information and healthcare technologies. They begin to use these technologies in the delivery of nursing care and learn to adapt emerging technologies to clinical nursing practice. Students explore the legal and ethical ramifications of using information and healthcare technologies to improve patient safety and the quality of healthcare and to protect patient privacy.  
Prerequisites: all 200-level courses; co-requisites: NUR 325, or NUR 335, NUR 345; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; Boston—summer; Worcester—summer; Manchester—summer.

NUR 335  
**Provider of Care II: Child-Bearing and Child-Rearing Family Health**  
Students apply the concepts and principles acquired in all prerequisite and concurrent Nursing courses to the provision of care for child-bearing and child-rearing families in diverse populations and clinical settings. They develop and apply a holistic approach to the assessment, care, and management of women of child-bearing age, children of all ages, and families in diverse populations. Students also learn the use of anticipatory guidance as a therapeutic tool to optimize health and wellness.  
Prerequisites: all 200-level courses; NUR 325/325L and 330; class, 3 hrs.; lab/clinical, 9 hrs.; credit, 6 s.h.; Boston—fall; Worcester—fall; Manchester—summer.  
NOTE: The majority of provider courses are front-loaded with 2 weeks of intense didactic components, followed by clinical immersion (30–36 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks).

NUR 345  
**Provider of Care III: Mental and Social Health**  
Students apply the concepts and principles acquired in all prerequisite and concurrent Nursing courses to the provision of care for patients with psychosocial needs and psychiatric disorders in diverse populations and clinical settings, within the context of family and societal forces. They develop their use of self as a therapeutic tool, and focus on a holistic approach to assessment, care, and management of persons with psychosocial issues and selected psychiatric disorders and conditions. Students learn to incorporate contemporary and emerging social and contextual issues as they relate to the mental and social health of patients and their families. Students have opportunities to develop professional relationships with patients, families, clinical partners, and members of the interdisciplinary healthcare team.  
Prerequisites: NUR 325/325L and 330; credit, 6 s.h.; Boston—fall; Worcester—fall; Manchester—summer.  
NOTE: The majority of provider courses are front-loaded with 2 weeks of intense didactic components, followed by clinical immersion (30–36 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks).

NUR 350  
**Scholarly Inquiry**  
This course applies the concepts and principles acquired in all prerequisite and Level I and II courses. It introduces the research process, methods of qualitative and quantitative research, and ethical considerations inherent in research, and it prepares the student to apply critical thinking to evaluate and critique professional literature and other sources of information. The course correlates research to the concepts of evidence-based practice and best practice.  
Prerequisite: all NUR 200-level courses and NUR 330; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; Boston—fall; Worcester—fall; Manchester—spring.

NUR 400  
**Comprehensive Nursing Review**  
Students will continue to develop and expand their professional roles and relationships while integrating course concepts and specific principles of nursing care from across the curriculum. Students will focus on mastery of specific course content via case studies and NCLEX-style questions to enhance critical thinking skills. Students may have the opportunity to provide care to patients in a designated clinical setting specific to their learning needs with the primary focus being the medical/surgical patient population.  
Prerequisite: GPA below 2.7 at completion of SON program. Not open to other students; class, 8 hrs.; experiential, 24 hrs.; credit, 8 s.h.; spring and summer.

NUR 410  
**Professional Role Development**  
Students will examine the historical, philosophical, ethical, and legal aspects of nursing practice; the contemporary issues facing nursing; and the influence of societal trends on nursing practice and on today’s healthcare delivery system.  
Prerequisite: RN licensure; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

NUR 425  
**Provider of Care IV: Community and Home Health**  
Students synthesize and apply the concepts and principles acquired in all prerequisite and concurrent Nursing courses to the provision of care for patients, groups, and populations in community and home-care settings. They learn the community...
assessment processes and identification of resources to optimize health and wellness in selected populations. Students gain an understanding of population health and the epidemiology of disease, and examine the process by which health policy is created, and they trace the evolution of the public health system, including public health nursing. Students develop and expand their professional roles and relationships to provide care to individuals and families in their homes and to the community in a variety of settings.

Prerequisite: all NUR 300-level courses; class, 3 hrs.; lab/clinical, 12 hrs.; credit, 7 s.h.; Boston—spring; Worcester—spring, fall; Manchester—spring, fall.

NOTE: The majority of provider courses are front-loaded with 2 weeks of intense didactic components, followed by clinical immersion (30–36 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks).

NUR 426
Community Health Nursing
This Bridge course for registered nurses provides a theoretical background for the study of community health nursing, emphasizing the assessment of interrelationships between individuals, families, aggregates, and communities in determining the health status of each. Students gain an understanding of health promotion, health maintenance, and disease prevention among populations. The sociopolitical, economic, environmental, and cultural impact on population health is examined.

Prerequisite: associate degree in nursing; class, 3 hrs.; experiential, 5 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

NUR 445
Provider of Care V: Coordinator of Care
Students integrate the concepts and principles acquired in all prerequisite and concurrent Nursing courses. They expand their knowledge and skills to care for patients with complex health problems, including cancer, infectious disease, trauma, and end-of-life care. Students have opportunities to learn and apply the theories and principles of leadership and management in coordinating care for groups or populations.

Prerequisite: all other NUR 300-level courses; class, 1 hr.; seminar/laboratory, 4 hrs.; clinical, 16 hrs.; credit, 8 s.h.; Boston—spring; Worcester—spring, fall; Manchester—spring, fall.

NOTE: The majority of provider courses are front-loaded with 2 weeks of intense didactic components, followed by clinical immersion (30–36 hrs./wk. for 5 weeks).

NUR 450
Member of a Profession and Capstone Leadership Project
The Nursing student begins to transition into the role of graduate nurse. Students explore issues relevant to contemporary and emerging nursing practice, including the regulation and ethics of practice. They gain a foundation for understanding local, state, national, and international initiatives and policies and their impact on health across populations. Students prepare to become responsible and integral members of the local, national, and global nursing community. Students develop beginning leadership skills through the creation and implementation of an approved capstone leadership project, which is undertaken with the guidance of faculty and clinical partners, and which reflects and integrates the synthesis of knowledge, skills, and values gained across the curriculum.

Prerequisite: all 300-level courses; class, 2 hrs.; seminar/leadership project/fieldwork, 1 hr.; credit, 3 s.h.; Boston—spring; Worcester—spring, fall; Manchester—spring, fall.

NUR 532
Directed Study
Supervised study in professional nursing involving a survey of existing knowledge, self-instructed or faculty-assisted inquiry into previously published data or methodologies, or other faculty-approved study of a nonresearch nature.

Prerequisite: consent of instructor or dean; credit varies, 1–3 s.h.; varies.

NUR 701
Professional Role Development in Nursing
In this course, students will compare and analyze the theories and conceptual models relevant to advanced roles in the nursing profession. Students will examine historical and contemporary professional issues related to various advanced roles in nursing. Role differentiation, role transition, and role development will be analyzed in the context of social and healthcare environments. Students will integrate knowledge of role transition and development into advanced nursing practice as clinicians, practitioners, leaders, and/or educators.

Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

NUR 702
Human Diversity, Social, and Policy Issues
The student will learn to examine the social, ethno-cultural, and demographic barriers in seeking and receiving healthcare in the United States and will recommend interventions for assuring the delivery of appropriate and individualized healthcare to diverse populations. The student also will learn about healthcare systems and strategies in order to assume a leadership role in the management of clinical practice.

Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

NUR 703
Advanced Health Assessment
The student will learn to conduct an advanced comprehensive history and a physical and psychological assessment of signs and symptoms, pathophysiologic changes, and psychosocial variations of the client across the lifespan. The student will apply diagnostic reasoning in physical diagnosis and develop a differential diagnosis based on the health history and identified
signs and symptoms.

Class, 3 hrs.; lab, 1 hr.; 45 clinical hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; summer.

NUR 706
Advanced Pathophysiology
In this course, students will critically examine the advanced physiologic and pathologic mechanisms of diseases. The focus of the course is to provide students with advanced concepts and theories related to pathophysiologic processes that occur across the lifespan. Knowledge gained from this course provides a firm foundation for the advanced practice nurse to interpret changes in normal and abnormal function and to assess individuals’ responses to the pharmacologic management of disease processes.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

NUR 707
Advanced Pharmacology
In this course, the Family Nurse Practitioner students will primarily learn knowledge needed for safe medication prescription to and monitoring of clients across the lifespan. Students will apply the basic knowledge and skills of pharmacology and therapeutics used in the treatment of selected health conditions, and they will explore pharmacotherapeutics and drug interactions in relation to common body system illnesses and diseases.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

NUR 708
Research for the Advanced Practice Nurse
Students will learn to utilize new knowledge to provide high-quality healthcare, initiate change, and improve nursing practice. They will learn the advanced nursing research concepts and skills necessary to utilize, analyze, and design basic research within the clinical practice setting. Students will learn key concepts in statistics and the practical use of statistical methods and software necessary for data storage, retrieval, and analysis.
Class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

NUR 709
(see NUR 820)

NUR 809
Family Primary Care I: APN Theory and Intervention
Students will focus on advanced practice nursing and the healthcare management of pregnant women and children. They will provide primary healthcare services to pregnant women or primary care to women with needs related to the reproductive system. During the pediatric section, the student will focus on performing comprehensive health assessments of children and their families. Health promotion and disease/injury prevention will be an integral component of the course. Students also will learn the diagnosis and treatment of common pediatric illnesses and injuries.
Prerequisites: NUR 701, 703, 706, 707; class, 4 hrs.; 180 clinical hrs.; credit, 6 s.h.; fall.

NUR 810
Family Primary Care II: APN Theory and Intervention
Students will focus on advance practice nursing and the healthcare management of adults. They will provide comprehensive primary healthcare services that are evidence based, personalized, and cost-effective to adults with acute and chronic health conditions. Students will learn course content that includes developmental, physiological, and psychosocial changes relative to health maintenance and disease prevention.
Prerequisite: all NUR 700 courses; NUR 809; class, 4 hrs.; 180 clinical hrs.; credit, 6 s.h.; spring.

NUR 811
Family Primary Care III: APN Theory and Intervention
Students will focus on advanced practice nursing and the healthcare management of older adults. They will provide comprehensive primary healthcare services that are evidence based, personalized, and cost-effective to older adults with acute and chronic health conditions. Students will learn course content that includes developmental, physiological, and psychosocial changes relative to health maintenance and disease prevention.
Prerequisites: NUR 809, 810; class, 4 hrs.; 180 clinical hrs.; credit, 6 s.h.; summer.

NUR 820*
Translational Practicum
Students will integrate the knowledge acquired in this program to complete a scholarly project that synthesizes advanced practice knowledge and skills to address substantive nursing practice issues. Each student has the option of selecting a thesis study, a clinical project, or a grant-writing experience addressing a problem in primary care.
Prerequisite: NUR 708; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.
NOTE: NUR 820 will become NUR 709 in the spring 2014 semester.

NUR courses in development:

NUR 505
Organizational Management and Leadership
Credit, 3 s.h.

NUR 509
Educational Theory and Curriculum Design
Credit, 3 s.h.
NUR 510
Curriculum Design, Outcomes Assessment and Design
Credit, 3 s.h.

NUR
Teaching and Learning for Nurse Educators, Practicum
Credit, 3 s.h.

NUR
Health Promotion and Disease Prevention in Primary Care
Credit, 4 s.h.

Physician Assistant Studies–Boston (PAS)

PAS 514
Ethics and Professional Behavior
This course focuses on the history, professional issues, and culture of the physician assistant profession from its inception to present-day status. PA education, requirements for certification and licensure, and organizations involved in the profession are analyzed, along with current issues and policies that affect the practicing PA. Issues such as cultural awareness, ethical decision making, and death and dying are introduced.
Co-requisites: PAS 515, 516, 517, 518; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PAS 515
Genetics
Students analyze basic concepts in molecular genetics and genetic testing, patterns of genetic transmission, population genetics, and pedigree drawing. Application to clinical practice will be emphasized.
Co-requisites: PAS 514, 516, 517, 518; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PAS 516
Primary Care Psychiatry
Students examine psychiatric disorders seen in primary care medicine, including their epidemiology, pathophysiology, clinical presentation, differential diagnosis, natural history, and treatment. By evaluating medico-legal issues, such as referral, voluntary and involuntary commitment, and competency, students further develop critical thinking skills.
Co-requisites: PAS 514, 515, 517, 518; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PAS 517
Human Physiology and Pathophysiology
In this course, students will learn normal physiology and pathophysiology of diseases affecting the autonomic nervous, cardiovascular, lymphatic, hematologic, endocrine, and respiratory systems. Students also will be introduced to the interpretation and application of laboratory and radiographic diagnostic studies to diagnose diseases by organ system, utilizing patient case studies to help develop critical thinking skills.
Co-requisites: PAS 514, 515, 516, 518; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PAS 518
Clinical Pharmacology I
Students analyze the principles of pharmacology, pharmacokinetics, dosage forms, and dose-response relationships. Drugs affecting the autonomic, cardiovascular, and central nervous systems are assessed for their clinical applications.
Co-requisites: PAS 514, 515, 516, 517; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PAS 520
Clinical Pharmacology II
As a continuation of PAS 518, students analyze drugs used to treat hematologic, inflammatory, endocrine, and reproductive disorders, as well as infections and cancer. Application to clinical scenarios is emphasized.
Prerequisites: PAS 514, 515, 516, 517, 518; co-requisites: PAS 524, 527, 529, 535; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PAS 524/524L
Gross Anatomy
Students examine human anatomy and embryology through lectures and cadaver dissection. Relating this knowledge to future clinical applications, students present their findings to their classmates, improving communication skills.
Radiographic images are examined to compare two-dimensional images with three-dimensional anatomical structures. This course provides a foundation for the study of clinical medicine in Year II of the program.
Prerequisites: PAS 514, 515, 516, 517, 518; co-requisites: PAS 520, 527, 529, 535; class, 4 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 5 s.h.; spring.

PAS 527
Human Physiology and Pathophysiology II
In this course, students will learn the normal physiology and pathophysiology of diseases affecting the somatic nervous, reproductive, immunologic, gastrointestinal, and integumentary systems. Students also will be introduced to the interpretation and application of laboratory and radiographic diagnostic studies to diagnose diseases by organ system, utilizing patient case studies to help develop critical thinking skills.
Prerequisites: PAS 514, 515, 516, 517, 518; co-requisites: PAS 520, 524, 529, 535; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.
PAS 529  
Research Methods for Physician Assistants  
Students will develop an understanding of research methodology and design, measurement techniques, statistical analysis, and evaluating research literature. The ethics of research in healthcare and the importance of research in healthcare and the PA profession will be discussed.  
Prerequisites: PAS 514, 515, 516, 517, 518; co-requisites: PAS 520, 524, 527, 535; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PAS 531  
Primary Care Medicine I  
This course fosters understanding of the epidemiology, etiology, natural history, signs, symptoms, physical findings, differential diagnoses, and treatment modalities associated with the areas of dermatology, ophthalmology, otolaryngology, and gastrointestinal systems.  
Prerequisites: PAS 520, 524, 527, 529, 535; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

PAS 532  
Manifestations and Management of Disease I  
Students examine several areas of medicine, including cardiology, pulmonology, endocrinology, and infectious diseases. They develop critical thinking skills by utilizing the medical model of learning, which includes examination of the epidemiology, pathophysiology, clinical presentation, differential diagnosis, natural history, and treatment of disease and injury. Students synthesize information to develop diagnostic skills and treatment plans.  
Prerequisites: PAS 520, 524, 527, 529, 535; class, 6 hrs.; credit, 6 s.h.; fall.

PAS 535  
Electrocardiography  
Students analyze and interpret electrocardiogram (ECG) studies to aid in diagnosing multiple abnormalities, including myocardial infarction, arrhythmias, ischemia, conduction blocks, and chamber hypertrophy.  
Prerequisites: PAS 514, 515, 516, 517, 518; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

PAS 536  
Patient Assessment I  
In this course, students will develop skills in patient interviewing, history taking, documentation of the physical examination, and medical note writing. Students will take medical histories and perform physical examinations on simulated patients and actual patients in a hospital setting.  
Prerequisites: PAS 520, 524, 527, 529, 535; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.
PAS 541  
**Primary Care Medicine II**  
This course fosters understanding the epidemiology, etiology, natural history, signs, symptoms, physical findings, differential diagnoses, and treatment modalities associated with the areas of orthopedics and musculoskeletal conditions, rheumatology, geriatrics, pediatrics, and problems of abuse and neglect.  
*Prerequisites: PAS 531, 532, 536, 537, 538, 538L; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 i.h.; spring.*

PAS 542  
**Manifestations and Management of Disease II**  
Continuing to utilize the medical model of learning first introduced in PAS 532 Manifestations and Management of Disease I, students examine more areas of medicine, including nephrology, urology, hematology/oncology, neurology, and OB/GYN. Students further develop critical thinking skills to formulate diagnoses and treatment plans.  
*Prerequisites: PAS 531, 532, 536, 537, 538, 538L; class, 6 hrs.; credit, 6 i.h.; spring.*

PAS 546  
**Patient Assessment II**  
In this course, students will continue to develop and reinforce their diagnostic and critical thinking skills by composing medical histories and performing physical examinations on patients in a clinical setting. Students develop differential and definitive diagnoses and treatment plans, document their findings, and practice the skill of orally presenting their patients to a student group and a PA.  
*Prerequisites: PAS 531, 532, 536, 537, 538, 538L; clinical, 4 hrs.; credit, 2 i.h.; spring.*

PAS 547  
**Clinical Therapeutics II**  
Students develop an approach to the integration and review of pathophysiology for specific diseases and its application in clinical evaluations and therapeutic options for patients. The student evaluates and addresses the clinical therapeutic management of assigned acute and chronic diseases. Students will solve problems using patient case–based formats.  
*Prerequisites: PAS 531, 532, 536, 537, 538, 538L; clinical, 4 hrs.; credit, 2 i.h.; spring.*

PAS 590  
**Directed Study**  
Individual didactic study directed by faculty in an area of expertise.  
*Prerequisite: permission of instructor; credit, 1–3 i.h.; spring, summer, fall.*

PAS 590L  
**Directed Study Laboratory**  
Individual clinical study directed by faculty in an area of expertise.  
*Prerequisite: permission of instructor; credit, 1–3 i.h.; spring, summer, fall.*

PASC 600, 607  
**Medicine I and II Clerkships**  
These clerkships provide clinical experience with common diseases and the manifestation of acute and chronic illnesses. Learning experiences include the traditional approach to direct, initial, and comprehensive care for patients of all ages in inpatient and outpatient settings as well as continuity of care for the individual patient and the family. Students interview and examine patients, synthesize information to identify problems, and formulate and implement therapeutic plans.  
*Prerequisite: all didactic phase courses; clinical, approx. 300 hrs. (Medicine I); clinical, approx. 240 hrs. (Medicine II); credit, 5 i.h. each.*

PASC 601  
**Pediatrics Clerkship**  
This clerkship focuses on the recognition and management of common childhood illnesses; the assessment of growth and development; and the counseling of parents regarding preventive healthcare, development, nutrition, and common psychosocial problems.  
*Prerequisite: all didactic phase courses; clinical, approx. 240 hrs.; credit, 5 i.h.*

PASC 602  
**Psychiatry Clerkship**  
This clerkship exposes students to patients with a variety of emotional illnesses and disabilities in order to develop informed history taking and mental status examination skills. The ability to recognize and categorize psychiatric problems, and the techniques of early intervention and psychiatric referral are stressed.  
*Prerequisite: all didactic phase courses; clinical, approx. 240 hrs.; credit, 5 i.h.*

PASC 603  
**Surgery Clerkship**  
This clerkship provides an orientation to patients of various ages with surgically disease. The learning experiences emphasize the preoperative evaluation and preparation of patients for surgery, assistance during the intraoperative period, and the management of postoperative complications.  
*Prerequisite: all didactic phase courses; clinical, approx. 300 hrs.; credit, 5 i.h.*

PASC 604  
**Emergency Medicine Clerkship**  
This clerkship provides an in-depth exposure to illnesses and injuries sustained by children and adults that necessitate...
emergency care. Emphasis is on examination skills and the performance of procedures essential to the management of acute problems. 

Prerequisite: all didactic phase courses; clinical, approx. 300 hrs.; credit, 5 s.h.

PASC 605
Women's Health Clerkship
This clerkship provides an exposure to the spectrum of women’s health problems and issues. Emphasis is on family planning and birth control, recognition of sexually transmitted diseases, cancer detection, prenatal care and delivery, and the evaluation of gynecological problems.

Prerequisite: all didactic phase courses; clinical, approx. 240 hrs.; credit, 5 s.h.

PASC 606
Primary Care Clerkship
This clerkship teaches the application of medical knowledge to the evaluation of primary care problems encountered in general medicine. Understanding of these disorders is accomplished during the accurate collection of data, identification of problems, and the development of differential diagnosis and management plan. Students interview and examine patients, synthesize information to identify problems, and formulate and implement therapeutic plans. Health promotion and health maintenance are an integral part of the clerkship.

Prerequisite: all didactic phase courses; clinical, approx. 240 hrs.; credit, 5 s.h.

PASC 608
Elective Clerkship
This clerkship is designed to provide the student with an elective opportunity in a variety of medical specialties of interest to the student or to extend experience in any of the required rotations. The student will be able to recognize conditions in these specialties so that he or she can refer patients appropriately and/or work within the medical discipline.

Prerequisite: all didactic phase courses; clinical, approx. 240 hrs.; credit, 5 s.h.

Public Health (PBH)

PBH 250
Introduction to Public Health
This course introduces and provides exposure to the five core areas of public health, including biostatistics, environmental health sciences, epidemiology, healthcare organization and policy, and social and behavioral sciences. Students will gain knowledge of key terminology, common analytic measures, and the three core functions of public health: assessment, assurance, and policy development.

Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PBH 330
Epidemiology
This course is designed to provide a foundation of epidemiologic terminology, concepts, and measures. Students will identify key sources of data, calculate basic epidemiology measures, and evaluate the strengths and limitations of epidemiologic reports. Additionally, students will gain exposure to the concepts of epidemiologic study design, association, and causality, as well as the epidemiologic approach to disease intervention.

Prerequisites: PBH 250 or BIO 346 and MAT 461; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PBH 340
The Environment and Public Health
This course explores the key areas of environmental public health and covers topics in the development and prevention of environmental health problems. Using the perspectives of population and community, students will gain an understanding of individual and community interactions with the environment, the impact on health of environmental agents, and specific applications of environmental public health concepts.

Prerequisite: BIO 255, PBH 250; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PBH 420
Community Health
This course introduces and applies public health perspectives and tools to community health issues. Students engage in problem-based learning using case studies; assess community health needs; identify public health resources; and develop health prevention, education, and promotion strategies. Students apply community health principles and acquire in-depth knowledge of specific health topic areas through group and individual projects.

Prerequisite: PBH 250 Introduction to Public Health and PBH 330 Epidemiology; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PBH 435
Public Policy and Public Health
Students will evaluate U.S. public health infrastructure, policymaking processes, and decision making. Within cultural, environmental, political, and economic contexts, they will investigate historical and contemporary public health problems, initiatives, controversies, and intervention strategies. Students will perform analysis of both U.S. domestic and global public health performance and the consequences for human health and well-being.

Prerequisite: fourth-year Public Health major; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.
Pu–LgicL
Field Placement
This course provides exposure to real-world public health. Students will be assigned to outside public health–related agencies and, under the direction of the University faculty advisor, will design a mutually beneficial project that can be undertaken with the selected agency. At the conclusion of the semester, students will present a poster detailing their assigned agency and the specific project undertaken.
Prerequisite: fourth-year Public Health major, PBH 250 and PBH 330; class, intermittent; on-site, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

Pu–LgkcL
Public Health Capstone Seminar
The public health capstone seminar is a culminating experience designed to synthesize the knowledge, skills, and abilities students have acquired during the entire course of the Public Health program. The seminar will include instructions for writing the capstone paper, strategies for professional presentations, creation of an academic curriculum vitae, preparation of IRB documents, and discussions about professional practices and ethics.
Prerequisite: fourth-year Public Health major; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

NOTE: PBH courses at the 700 and above level are all online.

Pu–LjcdLL
Survey of Public Health
Addresses new and emerging issues in the field of public health. Provides an overview and historical context for the discipline. Students will learn about the 10 essential services of public health. Examples will be provided of how public health may be structured and delivered at the local, county, state, and federal levels.
Credit, 3 s.h.

Pu–LjchLL
Introduction to Environmental Health Sciences
Provides an overview of the major issues in environmental health. Students will learn basic techniques to assess, control, and prevent environmental health hazards.
Credit, 3 s.h.

Pu–LjdcLL
Introduction to Health Policy and Management
Introduces healthcare policy and services, to include organization, delivery, payment for, and finance of healthcare. Students will discuss historical and current government interventions to ensure access, cost containment, and quality of healthcare.
Credit, 3 s.h.

Pu–LjihLL
Community Health Assessments
Reviews the theory and practice of community assessment in public health. Community assessment focuses on measuring a community’s health status and its determinants. It also focuses on assessing a community’s capacity to improve health. Qualitative and quantitative methods will be introduced.
Prerequisites: PBH 701, PBH 750; credit, 3 s.h.

Pu–LkcdLL
Community Organizing
Introduces concepts of community engagement, organization, and development for empowering communities to address the
social determinants of health. Examines the role of public health practitioners, grassroots activists, and other community members in stimulating social, political, and economic approaches to promote community health. Provides skills for the creation of partnerships through coalition building and reviews strategies for public policy advocacy.

_Credit, 3 s.h._

**PBH 805**

**Maternal and Child Health**

Introduces the principles and practices of public health and maternal and child health. Students will examine the social determinants of health and development of women, infants, children, and adolescents.

_Credit, 3 s.h._

**PBH 810**

**Principles of Public Health**

**Emergency Preparedness**

Introduces the concepts of public health emergency preparedness. Students will discuss complex public health responses at the local, state, and federal level. An emphasis will be placed on how public health fits into the National Response Framework and the National Preparedness System to prevent, respond to, recover from, and mitigate against natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other man-made disasters.

_Credit, 3 s.h._

**PBH 815**

**Mass Communication and Health**

Students will integrate social marketing and other strategic communication principles into a formal communication plan. To complete the plan, students will profile target audiences, conduct formative research, frame messages, and create a written or visual communication product. An emphasis will be placed on critical thinking and building practical written and visual communication skill sets.

_Credit, 3 s.h._

**PBH 890**

**Public Health Practice Experience**

Provides field experience for all MPH candidates. Students will select a public health agency, healthcare facility, nonprofit organization, or other health-related site. Students must submit a proposal to their faculty advisor before registering. Students also will be evaluated by an on-site supervisor. A minimum of 120 clock hours is required.

_Prerequisites: PBH 701, PBH 750; experiential, 8 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h._

**PBH 895**

**Preparatory Seminar, Culminating Experience**

Provides an opportunity for collaboration with students and faculty. The intent is to introduce students to the culminating experience requirement. The duration of the seminar is five days, and students must have completed 12 semester hours in the program prior to registering.

_Prerequisites: completed at least 12 s.h. of coursework toward the MPH; credit, 1 s.h._

**PBH 898**

**Culminating Experience**

The culminating experience requires students to synthesize and integrate knowledge acquired in coursework and apply theories and principles of public health. The product of the culminating experience demonstrates the student’s application and integration of knowledge and skills in the investigation, analysis, synthesis, and evaluation of real-world public health practice issues.

_Prerequisites: completed at least 30 s.h. of coursework toward the MPH; credit, 3 s.h._

**Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy (PEP)**

**PEP 801**

**Quantitative Methods in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy**

This course provides students with an overview of the research design and quantitative methodologies in economic and social sciences. The course also provides a review of the research process and the development of research ideas by examining published studies in the areas of pharmacoeconomics, comparative effectiveness, health economics, pharmacoepidemiology, and outcomes research.

_Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall._

**PEP 802**

**Introduction to Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy**

This course provides students with an overview of the economic and policy issues of the pharmaceutical and medical device markets. The course also describes the roles of the different agents participating in the pharmaceutical and medical device markets.

_Prerequisite: PSB 320 or equivalent (international students only); class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall._

**PEP 803**

**Qualitative and Survey Methods in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy**

This course provides students with an overview of qualitative research design and methodology applied to social sciences. The course also provides an understanding of the survey research process and its application in the areas of comparative effectiveness, health policy, outcomes research, and illness and
drug behaviors. The relationship between qualitative and quantitative research also is explored throughout the course.

Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PEP 804**
Regression Analysis in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy

This course provides students with an overview of regression methods. The course also provides a working knowledge of the application of the array of regression models to research in the areas of pharmaeconomics, comparative effectiveness, health economics, pharmacoepidemiology, and outcomes research.

*Prerequisites: PEP 801, MAT 763, or DRA 807; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.*

**PEP 805**
Behavioral Theories of Health, Illness, and Drug Use

This course provides students with an overview of the behavioral theories of health, illness, and drug use, and with the knowledge required for selecting health behavior theories to conduct research applicable to the areas of pharmaceutical economics and policy.

Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PEP 806**
Pharmacoepidemiology Applications

This course introduces epidemiology as the scientific method of public health and explores how it is applied to measuring drug use and identifying drug-use problems. Many lifesaving discoveries have been made through the study of drug epidemiology, now called pharmacoepidemiology, including major adverse drug reactions, new beneficial effects of drugs, the causes and spread of drug epidemics, and predicting the drug supply needs for an entire country.

*Prerequisites: PEP 801, PEP 803, MAT 763, or DRA 807; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.*

**PEP 810**
Global Pharmaceutical Policy

This course provides students with an overview of the effect of globalization on the research and development, production, distribution, and utilization of drugs and medical devices. The course also will provide an analysis of globalization effects on access to healthcare, pharmaceuticals, and medical devices.

*Prerequisites: PEP 802, PSB 320 (international students only); class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.*

**PEP 811**
Pharmaceutical Marketing Applications

This is an introduction to the marketing of pharmaceuticals and medical devices. The course discusses the concepts, issues, and practices associated with the marketing of pharmaceuticals and medical devices in the United States and in the international arena. Case analysis is used to demonstrate the relationship between pharmaeconomics and outcome research and the marketing of healthcare products.

*Prerequisites: PEP 802, PSB 320 (international students only); class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.*

**PEP 812**
Health Care Management Applications

This course covers the key concepts and functions of management, including strategy, operations, finance, and information systems. It introduces students to leadership issues in performance improvement, team management, and organizational change. This course also presents the application of management theory and practice to the management of healthcare organizations.

*Prerequisites: PEP 802, PSB 320 (international students only); class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.*

**PEP 813**
Pharmacoeconomic Applications

This course provides students with a review of the advanced quantitative analysis methodologies applied to pharmaeconomics and outcomes research. The course also explores current debates related to the evaluation of outcomes and cost, and the economic assessment of pharmaceuticals and medical devices.

*Prerequisite: PEP 801; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.*

**PEP 814**
Health Care Decision Analysis

This is an advanced course in the methodologies and applications of decision analysis in healthcare. The course focuses on the use of decision analysis in pharmaeconomics and policy research. It provides the student with the knowledge to conduct decision analysis studies in the economic evaluation of healthcare technologies and services.

*Prerequisites: PEP 801, PEP 802, and MAT 763 or DRA 807; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.*

**PEP 870**
Graduate Seminar in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy

This course is a weekly seminar involving graduate students, department faculty, and invited speakers.

*Prerequisite: completion of first year of MS or PhD program; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall, spring.*

**PEP 880**
MS Thesis Research in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy

The MS thesis research involves research under the supervision of a faculty advisor(s). It requires approval of the proposal by the Advisory Committee.

*Prerequisite: completion of the first year of the MS program; credit, 1–2 s.h.; fall, spring.*
PEP 890
PhD Dissertation Research in Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy
The PhD dissertation research involves 2–5 semester hours of research under the supervision of a faculty advisor(s). It requires approval of the proposal by the Advisory Committee. Prerequisite: completion of the first two years of the PhD program; credit, 2–5 s.h.; fall, spring.

Physics and Radiopharmacy (PHY)

PHY 181
General Physics
This course is a noncalculus presentation of classical physics for students in allied health programs. Topics include Newton’s laws of motion, work and energy, simple harmonic motion, and waves. The course also covers electricity, magnetism, and atomic physics. Prerequisite: MAT 141 or equivalent; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

PHY 270
Foundations of Physics I
In this introductory calculus-based course, students study concepts, principles, and applications of physics drawn from classical mechanics. Emphasis is placed on interpreting basic problems and translating between verbal, pictorial, diagrammatic, symbolic, mathematical, and graphical representations. Recommended for students requiring a broad knowledge of basic physics. PHY 272L provides the associated laboratory for degree programs requiring it. Prerequisite: MAT 152 or equivalent; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

PHY 272L
Foundations of Physics I Laboratory
This introductory calculus-based laboratory, taken concurrently with PHY 270 for those degree programs that require it, provides hands-on experience that assists and enriches student learning. Emphasis is placed on interpreting basic problems and translating verbal, pictorial, diagrammatic, symbolic, mathematical, and graphical representations. Co-requisite: PHY 270; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall, spring.

PHY 274/274L
Foundations of Physics II
In this introductory course/laboratory, students study the concepts, principles, and applications of electricity and magnetism, DC circuits, ray and wave optics, and atomic and nuclear physics. Emphasis is placed on interpreting basic problems in terms of physics concepts and principles, and translating between verbal, pictorial, diagrammatic, symbolic, mathematical, and graphical representations. Recommended for students requiring a broad knowledge of basic physics.

PHY 280/PHY 280L
Physics I
In this in-depth calculus-based course/laboratory, students study the concepts, principles, and applications of rigid body mechanics, mechanical vibrations and waves, sound, and mechanical properties of fluids and solids. Emphasis is placed on critical analysis, problem solving, pathways to solutions, and assessing mathematical results. Recommended as preparation for professional school admissions tests (MCAT, OAT, and DAT). Prerequisite: PHY 270 or equivalent; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

PHY 284/284L
Physics II
In this in-depth calculus-based course/laboratory, students study the concepts, principles, and applications of electricity and magnetism, DC and AC circuits, ray and wave optics, and atomic and nuclear physics. Emphasis is placed on critical analysis, problem solving, pathways to solutions, and assessing mathematical results. Recommended as preparation for professional school admissions tests (MCAT, OAT, and DAT). Prerequisite: PHY 270 or equivalent; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

PHY 371
Applied Radiopharmacy
This clerkship affords students exposure to and participation in the practice of radiopharmacy. It includes the purchasing, compounding, storage, dispensing, and quality control of radioactive pharmaceuticals. The student also observes clinical diagnostic procedures in nuclear medicine and attends conferences. Prerequisite: PHY 385 or equivalent; admission by consent of instructor; clinical clerkship, 4 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall, spring.

Pharmacy Practice–Boston (PPB)

PPB 325
Introduction to Practice Management I
Students are introduced to the concepts of pharmaceutical care, professionalism, and the role of the pharmacist in a variety of practice settings. Students also will gain knowledge in preparation for their introductory pharmacy practice experience (IPPE) rotations as well as their integration into the advanced practice management (APM) laboratory. Students will attend weekly lectures. Prerequisite: third-year standing in PharmD program; recitation, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.
PPB 335  
**Introduction to Practice Management II**  
Students are introduced to the concepts of pharmaceutical care, professionalism, and the role of the pharmacist in a variety of practice settings. Students also will gain knowledge in preparation for their introductory pharmacy practice experience (IPPE) rotations as well as their integration into the advanced practice management (APM) laboratory. Students will attend weekly lectures.  
*Prerequisite: PPB 325; class, 1 hr.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.*

PPB 414  
**Virology and Anti-infectives**  
Students will learn about the commonly used antibiotic, antiviral, and antifungal agents through an integration of the medicinal chemistry, pharmacology, and therapeutics of these agents. The therapeutic management, recognition, and prevention of important infectious diseases, antibiotic allergies and resistance, as well as immunization, will be discussed using a variety of problem-based and active-learning techniques.  
*Prerequisites: fourth-year standing, BIO 255, PSB 441, 451; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.*

PPB 419  
**Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience I (IPPE I)**  
The IPPE I course provides fourth-year students with an introductory community rotation. This course will provide students with pharmacy practice experience with active learning in a community practice setting with an opportunity to begin the development of basic practice skills and to interface with patients and healthcare providers. Rotations are assigned through the Office of Experiential Education and are available in the summer preceding the fourth year or the fall or spring semesters of the fourth year. This rotation will consist of a 160-hour rotation to be completed in the time assigned.  
*Prerequisite: all third-year required courses; experiential hrs., 160 total; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.*

PPB 445  
**Therapeutics I**  
Students become familiar with the rational application of drugs to ensure optimal therapeutic outcomes in common disease states through discussion and selection of appropriate drug regimens, correct application of laboratory and other monitoring parameters to determine efficacy and adverse reactions, identification of drug interactions, dosing and individualization of therapy, and determination of therapeutic endpoints and goals. Sequence of topics is closely adapted to those concurrently taught in PSB 441 and 451. Integrated patient cases bridge science and practice.  
*Prerequisites: PSB 328, 329; co-requisites: PSB 441, 450, 451, and PPB 485; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.*

PPB 446  
**Therapeutics II**  
This course is a continuation of a sequence of courses that addresses the principles of pharmacotherapeutics and the functional consequences of major diseases (see PPB 445 description). The sequence of topics is closely adapted to those concurrently taught in PSB 442 and 454. Integrated patient cases bridge science and practice.  
*Prerequisites: PPB 445, 485; PSB 441, 450, 451; co-requisites: PPB 441 and PSB 430, 442, 454; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.*

PPB 485  
**Drug Literature Evaluation**  
Students retrieve, evaluate, and apply medical and pharmacy literature. Assignments develop the student’s skills in applying literature to clinical problem solving.  
*Prerequisites: fourth-year standing, PSB 424; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.*

PPB 502  
**Over-the-Counter Drugs / Self-Care**  
Students learn about nonprescription medications, herbs, vitamins, homeopathic products, and medical and parapharmaceutical devices used by patients for self-treatment and disease-state monitoring in such common illnesses as cough and cold, dermatological and gastrointestinal disorders, pregnancy, and analgesia.  
*Co-requisites: PSB 441, 451; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.*

PPB 519  
**Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience II (IPPE II)**  
The IPPE II course provides fifth-year students with an introductory institutional rotation. This course will provide students with pharmacy practice experience and active learning in hospital practice or other institutional practice settings, including an opportunity to begin the development of basic practice skills and interface with patients and healthcare providers. Rotations are assigned through the Office of Experiential Education and are available in the summer preceding the fifth year or the fall or spring semesters of the fifth year. This rotation will consist of an 160-hour rotation to be completed in the time assigned.  
*Prerequisite: all fourth-year required courses; experiential hrs., 160 total; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.*

PPB 526  
**Common Threads: Pain and Addiction**  
Students will be introduced to principles related to pain management and addiction medicine with emphasis on how these areas of healthcare may overlap in clinical practice. Students will learn practical approaches to the management of
pain and addiction as well as behavioral interventions including motivational interviewing techniques. Legal and regulatory issues related to pain and addiction will also be emphasized.

**Prerequisites:** PPB 555; co-requisite: PPB 556; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PPB 527**
Interpretation of Lab Data
The student will delineate and identify commonly used laboratory tests and interpret their results in diagnosing and monitoring diseases. By relating tests to the patient’s overall condition, the student will employ the principles of monitoring and determining drug effectiveness and toxicity in assessing patient outcomes.

**Prerequisites:** PPB 414; PSB 454, PSB 442; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PPB 528**
Medication Safety
This course is designed to expose pharmacy students to pertinent topics in the area of patient and medication safety. The course provides a specific focus on topics relating to issues surrounding the provision of safe, high-quality patient care in inpatient and outpatient settings. A culture of medication safety also will be examined as a way to improve and increase the quality of care provided by interdisciplinary teams of healthcare professionals. Students will apply medication safety concepts during small-group discussions and group presentations. Supplemental online learning activities and assignments also will be included in the required coursework.

**Prerequisites:** PPB 414; PSB 454, PSB 442; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PPB 530**
Undergraduate Research Project
Research participation at the undergraduate level is offered, with emphasis on developing the methods and techniques to conduct research.

**Prerequisites:** permission of instructor and approval by department chair; lab, 3–9 hrs.; credit, 1–3 s.h.

**PPB 532**
Directed Study
This course provides faculty-directed study to an individual student wishing to explore a particular aspect of a pharmacy practice–related topic in greater detail. Emphasis is placed on analysis of the pharmacy and medical literature.

**Prerequisites:** permission of instructor and approval by department chair; lab, 3–9 hrs.; credit, 1–3 s.h.

**PPB 533**
Pharmacotherapeutics of Women’s Health

This interdisciplinary women’s health professional elective is designed to expose students to the health and social issues faced by women throughout their lifespan. Through lecture, in-class case discussions, outside class reading assignments, and poster presentation, students will evaluate and apply evidence-based medicine to discuss and develop comprehensive treatment plans for female patients throughout the lifespan.

**Prerequisites:** PPB 555; co-requisite: PPB 556; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.

**PPB 534**
Clinical Care for the Aging Patient
Students will be exposed to the health and social issues faced by the geriatric population in this blended-format professional elective. Through classroom and online activities, students will evaluate and apply evidence-based medicine to discuss and develop comprehensive treatment plans for patients. This 3-credit professional elective includes three hours of class time divided between online and campus-based lectures/activities.

**Prerequisites:** PPB 446, 485; co-requisite: PPB 556; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PPB 535**
Herbal Supplements
This course reviews the trends, epidemiology, manufacturing practices, regulations, and pharmaceutics, as well as resources, in the contemporary use of herbal supplements. An evidence-based approach is used to discuss clinical and therapeutic uses of herbal supplements and their roles in the treatment of diverse conditions. Adverse reactions, contraindications, and precautions of specific herbal supplements are addressed.

**Prerequisites:** PSB 442, permission of instructor; co-requisite: PSB 454; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring every other year.

**PPB 536**
Oncology Elective
Students will discuss oncology topics, including the different cancers and medications used in their treatment as well as the role of the pharmacist in the care of patients with cancer. They will debate ethical and financial considerations as well as international concerns in the field of oncology. Students will apply literature assessment skills to formulate rational, evidence-based treatment decisions.

**Co-requisite:** PPB 556; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PPB 537**
Veterinary Pharmacy
This course introduces veterinary pharmaceuticals and their use in veterinary medicine. The application of drug therapy to large, small, and exotic animals to obtain optimum therapeutic outcomes and the opportunity to provide veterinary pharmacy services in a community or hospital setting are emphasized. Additional emphasis is placed on the selection of appropriate...
drugs and drug regimens for selected species for common disease states. Both over-the-counter and prescription medications are studied.

Prerequisites: PPB 414; PSB 432, 454; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PPB 538
Global Infectious Diseases
An interdisciplinary course designed to expose students to a broad range of topics in global infectious diseases, this course provides a specific focus on topics in travel medicine in the context of global infectious disease. In addition to pharmacotherapeutics, the public health, cultural, sociopolitical, psychosocial, and pharmacoeconomic aspects of global infectious diseases also are addressed. Students apply interdisciplinary concepts through participation in service learning as well as small group discussions and presentations. The service learning component is designed to provide students with a structured learning experience that combines community service with explicit learning objectives, preparation, and reflection.

Prerequisites: PPB 414, PSB 454; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

PPB 539
Advanced Topics in Neurology and Psychiatry
Students will learn more in-depth knowledge regarding the major neurologic and psychiatric diseases and the medications utilized in their treatment. Information on medication management of these illnesses will be discussed and relevant journal articles evaluated within each class. Students will apply evidence-based medicine principles to the conditions reviewed and the methods by which they are treated.

Prerequisites: PPB 446 and 485; co-requisite: PPB 556; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PPB 540E
Complementary and Alternative Medicine
Provides an overview of various alternative healing practices such as homeopathy and Chinese, chiropractic, Ayurvedic, and Shamanic medicine. Concepts of the health-belief system, administration and monitoring of therapy, and socioeconomic issues are explored for each discipline through lectures and experiential presentations from practitioners.

Prerequisite: BIO 151; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; every other year.

PPB 545/545L
Advanced Practice Management I
This first part of the overall advanced practice management course emphasizes the pharmacist as the primary provider of pharmaceutical care. Didactic and laboratory experiences focus on advanced aspects of pharmacy practice, including patient counseling, physical exams, managerial applications, compliance with legal requirements, exploring complex ethical and patient care issues, and self-directed learning.

Prerequisites: PPB 335, 414, 419; PSB 442, 454; prerequisites/co-requisites: PPB 502, 551, 555; PSB 432; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PPB 546/546L
Advanced Practice Management II
The second part of the advanced practice management course builds on the knowledge and skills acquired in part one of this course. Emphasis is on the pharmacist as the primary provider of pharmaceutical care. Didactic and laboratory experiences focus on the advanced aspects of pharmacy practice, including patient counseling, physical exams, managerial applications, compliance with legal requirements, exploring complex ethical and patient care issues, and self-directed learning.

Prerequisite: PPB 545; prerequisites/co-requisites: PPB 552, 556; PSB 411; class, 3 hrs., lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

PPB 549
Pharmacy Practice Managed Care
This course provides a general overview of managed-care principles with emphasis on selected topics to illustrate the role of pharmacy practice, including real-life examples and challenges. The student is introduced to managed-care pharmacy, from the review of cost-containment strategies and evidence-based medicine in formulary management to the examination of cutting-edge developments.

Prerequisite: PPB 446; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PPB 551, 552
Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics Seminar I, II
This course involves case presentations followed by discussion of the presented material using the problem-based learning approach. Cases, journal clubs, and consults provide the opportunity for in-depth exploration of pharmacotherapeutic topics. Elements of clinical practice are incorporated into the small-group discussion to duplicate a real-life clinical environment.

Co-requisite for PPB 551: PPB 555; co-requisite for PPB 552: PPB 556; seminar, 3 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall, spring.

PPB 555
Advanced Therapeutics I
This is the third of four courses that are sequenced over four semesters. Students will integrate and apply pharmacological and biopharmaceutical principles on an advanced level. Using evidence-based medicine, the student will focus on individualizing drug therapy and solving complex medication-related problems in the treatment of selected disease states in oncology, nephrology, cardiology, and gastroenterology.

Prerequisites: PSB 430, 442, 454; PPB 414; co-requisites: PSB 432, 502, 545, 551; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.
PPB 556
Advanced Therapeutics II
Continuation of Advanced Therapeutics I. This is the last of four courses that are sequenced over four semesters. Students will integrate and apply pharmacological and biopharmaceutical principles on an advanced level. Using evidence-based medicine, the student will focus on individualizing drug therapy and solving complex medication-related problems in the treatment of selected disease states in pediatrics, pulmonary medicine, geriatrics, neurology, psychiatry, endocrinology, and dermatology.
Prerequisites: PPB 432, 502, 545, 555, 551; co-requisites: PPB 546, 552; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

PPB 600
Principles of Pharmaceutical Care
Introduces students to the concept of pharmaceutical care and the pharmacist’s responsibility for ensuring optimal healthcare outcomes for the patients they serve. This course is designed to prepare students for future pharmacotherapeutic courses. Clinical skills focused on include collection, organization, and evaluation of the patient and drug information needed to render optimal pharmaceutical care recommendations; physical assessment skills; oral and written healthcare communications; and clinical problem solving.
Prerequisite: Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway student; class, 3-day intensive campus-based orientation; online coursework; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PPBC 601–606
Advanced Pharmacy Experience Programs
These courses offer students experiences in which they communicate with patients, professionals, and peers; identify clinical problems; and formulate solutions. Clinical clerkship represents a full academic year (1,440 hours) of clinically oriented rotations offered primarily at off-campus sites. All rotations are six weeks in length. Required rotations: patient medicine, institutional pharmacy practice, ambulatory care, and community pharmacy practice.
Elective rotations: chosen from such areas as administration, cardiology, critical care medicine, drug information, emergency medicine, gastroenterology, home healthcare, infectious disease, neonatology, nephrology, neurology, oncology/hematology, obstetrics/gynecology, pediatrics, poison information, and psychiatry. One elective must be a patient care elective.
Prerequisite for all rotations: all required courses; no elective or required course may be taken with rotations; experiential, 40 hrs./wk.; 240 hrs. total; credit, 6 s.h. for each rotation.

PPB 623, 625, 633
Pharmacotherapeutics I, II, and III—Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway
This sequence of courses addresses the principles of pharmacotherapeutics and functional consequences of major diseases. Discussion focuses on therapeutic problem solving and the evaluation of treatment strategies commonly used in clinical practice. Emphasis includes selection of appropriate treatment regimens and monitoring parameters; assessment of adverse drug reactions, drug interactions, and drug-induced diseases; determination of therapeutic endpoints and goals; and individualization of therapy based on pharmacokineti

PPB 623A, 625A, 633A
Pharmacotherapeutics I, II, and III Practice and Seminar
This series of courses engages students in the provision of pharmaceutical care. It involves small-group case discussions and experiential coursework. Students will present and discuss patient care activities from their practice sites that correspond to topics and concepts learned in the pharmacotherapeutic course series. Cases, journal clubs, and pharmacy consults are discussed using audio and/or textual online discussion boards.
One oral patient case presentation is made by students each semester on campus. Students are expected to spend a minimum of five hours each week conducting patient care activities at the practice sites. These activities are reviewed by a faculty preceptor.
PPB 623A co-requisite: PPB 623; PPB 625A co-requisite: PPB 625; PPB 633A co-requisite: PPB 633; class, 1 meeting per semester; online coursework; credit, 5 s.h.

PPB 668
Pharmacotherapy Module VIII
Three options are available to the student regarding the format of this module: (1) completion of a project by the student to improve pharmacy practice within the student’s own practice site, or completion of a clerkship under the supervision of a faculty member either as (2) one four-week rotation or (3) two two-week rotations. Rotations are conducted on a full-time basis (40 hours per week). This module may be completed any time after the student has successfully completed 17 semester hours of credit.
Prerequisites: Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway

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student; PPB 623, 625, 633; experiential, 160 hrs./semester; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**PPB 668A**  
**Pharmacotherapeutics IV Practice and Seminar**  
This course is a continuation of Pharmacotherapeutics I, II, and III Practice and Seminar. This course further engages students in the provision of pharmaceutical care at their practice sites. More complex and extensive patient care activities are expected and evaluated by faculty preceptors. Practice site activities are presented to small groups using online discussion boards. Students are expected to spend a minimum of 10 hours each week conducting patient care activities at the practice sites. Students are required to make one formal presentation on campus.  
**Prerequisites:** PPB 623A, 625A, 633A; class, 1 campus meeting; online coursework; credit, 4 s.h.

**PPB 6720**  
**Drug Literature Resources and Evaluation**  
This course focuses on three specific aspects relative to the medical literature: retrieval methods, evaluation techniques, and clinical application. The types of medical literature are presented, compared, and contrasted with regard to their applicability to clinical problem solving. Clinical situations and drug-related problems are presented throughout the course to illustrate the application of the literature as a primary component of the clinical problem-solving process.  
**Prerequisite:** PPB 600 and Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway student; class, 1 campus-based meeting; online coursework; credit, 3 s.h.

**PPB 6810**  
**Clinical Pharmacokinetics**  
This course involves clinical applications of pharmacokinetic principles. Emphasis is placed on the identification of actual and theoretical factors that contribute to variabilities in pharmacokinetic parameters and associated pharmacological responses. Several dosing methods are critically explored, contrasted, and applied using a case history approach.  
**Prerequisite:** PPB 600 and Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy student; class, 1 campus-based meeting; online coursework; credit, 2 s.h.

**Pharmaceutical Sciences–Boston (PSB)**

**NOTE 1:** In the Doctor of Pharmacy program, the minimum acceptable grade in any required course with a PSB prefix is C–. D grades may be awarded, but students must repeat the course.  
**NOTE 2:** A number of PSB courses are being developed, and updated descriptions will be on the website (www.mcpsh.edu) when available.

**PSB 210**  
**Macroeconomics**  
This macroeconomics course provides a foundation for understanding fiscal and monetary policies in a free market. Major course topics include supply-and-demand analysis, inflation, unemployment, and gross national product.  
**Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.**

**PSB 215**  
**Microeconomics**  
The student will be introduced to the principles of microeconomics, which focus primarily on the basic theories of supply and demand as they relate to individuals and to individual businesses. Also, the student will examine how the forces of supply and demand affect decisions regarding the production and marketing of goods and services.  
**Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.**

**PSB 261**  
**Management**  
This course provides the management concepts and analytical methods to effectively plan, organize, direct, control, and evaluate business objectives. It emphasizes the efficient utilization of human, physical, and financial resources.  
**Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.**

**PSB 301**  
**Pharmacology for Allied Health Professionals**  
This introductory course is designed to familiarize students with commonly used drugs, their mechanisms of action, their indications, and major adverse effects. The course follows a disease-based format and includes pharmacotherapy of cardiovascular, CNS, endocrine, bacterial, and malignant conditions. Principles of drug administration and pharmacokinetics also are presented.  
**Prerequisites:** BIO 210 and CHE 210 or PSB 340; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 315**  
**Business Statistics**  
The student will learn to use descriptive statistics with an emphasis on the business environment. Also, the student will develop practical skills such as how to use statistics as a technology to develop data and how to use the data to make better business decisions. The student will be challenged to think statistically and communicate the statistical findings effectively.  
**Prerequisite:** MAT 261; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 320/3200**  
**Introduction to Health Care Delivery**  
This course introduces the complex areas of healthcare delivery from public policy perspectives. Lecture and classroom
discussions provide interdisciplinary approaches to difficult
political, social, and economic issues that confront healthcare
practitioners and the public.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

PSB 328
Physiology/Pathophysiology I
This comprehensive course deals with the principles of
mammalian physiology and a basic understanding of human
anatomy. It emphasizes the maintenance of normal functions
and various abnormalities or stresses within the systems.
Prerequisites: BIO 151, 152, CHE 232, or their equivalents;
class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

PSB 329
Physiology/Pathophysiology II
This is a continuation of the principles of mammalian
physiology, human anatomy, and elements of pathology
presented in PSB 328. It includes discussions of the following
systems: cardiovascular, respiratory, gastrointestinal, renal,
metabolic, and reproductive.
Prerequisite: PSB 328 or its equivalent; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.;
spring.

PSB 331
Biochemistry I
The physical-chemical properties of the major classes of
biomolecules are studied with particular emphasis on the
relationship between these properties and the structure and
function of biomolecules.
Prerequisites: third-year standing, MAT 152, BIO 152, and
CHE 232 or their equivalents; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 332
Biochemistry II
The metabolic processes of the expression of genetic material,
energy production and storage, and synthesis of biomolecules
are studied. Proper nutrition is examined utilizing the processes
that integrate and regulate metabolism.
Prerequisite: PSB 331 or its equivalent; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.;
spring.

PSB 333L
Introductory Biochemistry Laboratory
Introduces the physical methods used to isolate, identify, and
characterize proteins and nucleic acids.
Prerequisite: PSB 331; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

PSB 335
Pharmaceutical Technology
Describes the different stages of drug formulation and explores
different pharmaceutical excipients, preformulation testing,
and different pharmaceutical unit operations, with an emphasis
on quality assurance and GMP. The course provides an
overview of animal testing and manufacturing scale-up.
Applications of theories are emphasized through group
projects, research, and active participation in discussions.
Prerequisite: PSB 340; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 340
Pharmaceutics I
A study of the mathematical, physicochemical, and biological
principles concerned with the formulation, preparation,
manufacture, and effectiveness of pharmaceutical dosage forms.
Prerequisites: third-year standing, CHE 232, MAT 152, PHY
270; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

PSB 341
Pharmaceutics II
This course is a continuation of Pharmaceutics I, PSB 340.
Prerequisite: PSB 340; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 343L
Pharmaceutics Laboratory I
Designed for the student to apply pharmaceutical principles
and to develop proficiency when compounding oral and
topical formulations.
Co-requisite: PSB 340; recitation, 1 hr.; lab, 3 hrs. every other
week; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

PSB 344L
Pharmaceutics Laboratory II
Continuation of PSB 343. The laboratory is designed for the
student to apply pharmaceutical principles and employing aseptic techniques.
Prerequisites: PSB 340, PSB 343; co-requisite: PSB 341;
recitation, 1 hr.; lab, 3 hrs. every other week; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

PSB 346
Physico-chemical Properties of Drug Molecules
This course reviews the basic physico-chemical principles as
applied to small-molecule drug development, the
pharmacological activities of such drugs, and their mechanisms
of action in various disease states. Focuses on an understanding
of organic functional groups and absorption, metabolism,
distribution, and excretion of drugs. Drug-receptor interactions
will be explored using selected examples.
Prerequisite: PSB 332; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 350L
Industrial Pharmacy Laboratory
Students develop pharmaceutical industry hands-on skills,
including optimizing formula and formulation processes,
testing the quality of final dosage forms, and communicating
the experimental results using proper scientific terminology.

Prerequisite: PSB 343L; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

PSB 359
Marketing
This course is an introduction to marketing as a functional area of the business enterprise, including an analytical review and managerial approach to problems in the pricing and distribution of goods and services in the marketplace.

Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 370
Analytical Methods in Pharmacology and Toxicology I
In this laboratory-based course, students will be introduced to and given the opportunity to perform standard molecular biology and animal-handling techniques commonly used in drug discovery and developmental research.

Prerequisite: third-year student in BS in Pharmacology/Toxicology program; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 371
Analytical Methods in Pharmacology and Toxicology II
This course is a continuation of PSB 370, focusing on students' performance of standard molecular, biochemical, and analytical techniques used in drug discovery and developmental research.

Prerequisite: PSB 370; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 372
Analytical Methods in Pharmacology and Toxicology III
This course is a continuation of PSB 371, focusing on students' performance of more advanced molecular, biochemical, and analytical techniques used in drug discovery and developmental research.

Prerequisite: PSB 371; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 375
Fundamentals of Drug Development
The student will become familiar with physical, chemical, and biological principles underlying the discovery of drug molecules and the design, manufacture, and testing of pharmaceutical products.

Prerequisites: BIO 210, CHE 210; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

PSB 401
Pharmacology and Toxicology Seminar I
In this seminar-based course, students will be introduced to the reading, evaluation, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of scientific literature as it relates to pharmacology and toxicology. This course is intended to be taken concurrently with Analytical Methods of Pharmacology and Toxicology I (PSB 370) to integrate conceptual knowledge with practical experience.

Prerequisite: BIO 260; co-requisite: PSB 370; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

PSB 402
Pharmacology and Toxicology Seminar II
This course is a continuation of PSB 401 in which students will read, evaluate, analyze, interpret, and present scientific literature as it relates to pharmacology and toxicology. This course is intended to be taken concurrently with Analytical Methods of Pharmacology and Toxicology II (PSB 371) to integrate conceptual knowledge with practical experience.

Prerequisite: PSB 401; co-requisite: PSB 371; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

PSB 403
Pharmacology and Toxicology Seminar III
This course is a continuation of PSB 402 in which students will read, evaluate, analyze, interpret, and present scientific literature as it relates to pharmacology and toxicology. This course is intended to be taken concurrently with Analytical Methods of Pharmacology and Toxicology III (PSB 372) to integrate conceptual knowledge with practical experience.

Prerequisite: PSB 402; co-requisite: PSB 372; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

PSB 404
Pharmacology and Toxicology Seminar IV
This course is a continuation of PSB 403 in which students will read, evaluate, analyze, interpret, and present scientific literature as it relates to pharmacology and toxicology.

Prerequisite: PSB 403; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

PSB 410
FDA and Regulatory Affairs
This course introduces the regulatory, legal, and strategic aspects of pharmaceutical regulation and law through readings, lectures, and discussion. It explores the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and its authority over the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. Topics include prescription, over-the-counter, biologic, device, and cosmetics approval and regulation.

Prerequisite: PSB 320; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 411
Pharmacy Law
This course examines the state and federal legal requirements associated with pharmacy practice and operations, including regulation of pharmacy personnel, pharmacies, pharmacy departments, controlled substances, dispensing functions, and prospective drug review and counseling.
Prerequisite: fourth-year standing; PPB 325, 335; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 412
Medical Patients’ Rights and Professionals’ Liabilities
This course facilitates the identification and analysis of medical patients’ legal rights from the beginning to the end of life, and healthcare providers’ corresponding legal responsibilities.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

PSB 415
Accounting
This course introduces the principles and practices of modern accounting. Lectures and classroom discussion provide a basic understanding of how business transactions are recognized and how this information is used in making business decisions. Accounting rules, measures, formulas, ratios, and techniques are covered in this overview course.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 416
Managerial Accounting
With financial accounting as a foundation, the student will become familiar with the accounting principles, concepts, and techniques that are used by healthcare providers to guide them in decision making. As such, the student will focus on topics such as cost-revenue relationships, cost systems, and the preparation and analysis of budgets.
Prerequisite: PSB 415 or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 418
Pharmacoeconomics
This course introduces students to economics in healthcare delivery with an emphasis on the selection of drug therapy and formulary management. Covers various pharmacoeconomic quantitative methods, including decision analysis and quality-of-life assessment.
Prerequisites: MAT 261, PSB 210; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 420/420L
Pharmaceutical Analysis/Laboratory
This course introduces the hypothesis and practice of drug analysis. It covers the preparation of drug samples for analysis, developing and validating different analytical methods, and detection and analysis of drug metabolites and degradation products. Lab experiments are planned to help students apply the techniques learned in class and build their hands-on skills.
Prerequisite: CHE 232; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 421
Pharmacoepidemiology
Pharmacoepidemiology is introduced through concepts and methods used to measure the source, diffusion, and use of drugs in populations. Emphasis is placed on determining pharmaceutical care outcomes and identifying potential or real drug-use problems.
Prerequisite: Postbaccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy Pathway student; online coursework; credit, 2 s.h.; fall, spring.

PSB 422
Drug Education
Principles and methods of drug education, for both medical and nonmedical drug use, are presented and discussed, with an emphasis on the actual development and implementation of specific informational materials and educational programs.
Prerequisite: PSB 329 or equivalent, or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 423
Pharmaceutical/Health Care Marketing
This course introduces students to the concepts, issues, and practices associated with marketing of healthcare in the United States. Particular attention is paid to servicing, product development, and sales to a variety of healthcare customers, including hospitals and other providers, as well as managed care organizations and other consumers. The marketing of healthcare on a more general level also is explored. Case analysis is used to demonstrate various marketing concepts.
Prerequisite: PSB 359; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 424
Research Methods in Pharmacoepidemiology
Pharmacoepidemiology is introduced through concepts and methods used to measure the source, diffusion, and use of drugs in populations. Emphasis is placed on determining pharmaceutical care outcomes and identifying potential or real drug-use problems.
Prerequisite: third-year standing (PharmD program only); class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

PSB 425
Health Care Management
This course introduces students to theories and practices of business development and management in a variety of healthcare settings, including hospitals, integrated systems, and managed care organizations, and in pharmacy services. Explores current management techniques and performance measurement practices used by various professionals in the provision of healthcare services.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 430
Pharmacokinetics I
This course is a study of absorption, distribution, metabolism,
and elimination (ADME) processes using compartmental concepts and factors that influence these processes. Emphasis is placed upon determination of pharmacokinetic parameters from blood/urine data following administration of a single dose of drugs by various routes. Additionally, the course includes topics on the influence of physiochemical and formulation factors on the bioavailability of drugs and therefore on their in vivo performance.

**Prerequisite:** PSB 340; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 432**  
**Pharmacokinetics II**  
This course is a continuation of Pharmacokinetics I with discussion on the influence of the physiochemical factors on the bioavailability of drugs and their in vivo performance. It includes the kinetics of drug disposition following administration by intravenous infusion and intravenous bolus and oral multiple dosing; discusses the pharmacokinetics of drugs that follow a two-compartment model and the principles of nonlinear kinetics; and involves clinical applications of pharmacokinetic principles and factors that contribute to the variability in the pharmacokinetics of selected drugs.  
**Prerequisite:** PSB 430; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**PSB 435**  
**Introduction to Business**  
This course introduces students to the fundamentals of business on a cross-functional and comprehensive level. It explores all major business disciplines and is designed for those students who have little or no business background.  
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

**PSB 436**  
**Business Policy**  
This course introduces students to business responsibility by exploring the relationship between shareholders and stakeholders. Students learn that social responsibility includes not only philanthropy but also a focus on fulfilling the political, legal, economic, and ethical responsibilities expected by the business stakeholders.  
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

**PSB 438**  
**Ethics and Research Integrity**  
This course examines the principal ethical, legal, and regulatory concepts that formally govern clinical research, including informed consent and evaluations of risk. It focuses on the implication of the preclinical data and good laboratory practices for clinical trials and discusses conflicts of interest and the assurances necessary for research integrity and reliability.  
**Prerequisite:** PSB 410; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 440**  
**Molecular Biotechnology**  
This course reviews molecular and cellular biology and emphasizes the application of recombinant DNA technology to present-day biotechnology. The course reviews both the theoretical and practical aspects of recombinant protein expression, vaccine design, and gene therapy.  
**Prerequisite:** PSB 332 or equivalent, or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 441**  
**Medicinal Chemistry I**  
This course is a study of the effect of chemical functional groups on the physiochemical properties, biological activity, and kinetics of medicinal agents. Agents affecting the autonomic nervous system are considered in detail. Drugs acting on the central nervous system are introduced. Integrated with PSB 451.  
**Prerequisites:** fourth-year standing, PSB 332 or its equivalent; co-requisite: PSB 451 or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**PSB 442**  
**Medicinal Chemistry II**  
This course is a continuation of CHE 441. The discussion of central nervous system agents is concluded. The topics of cardiovascular agents, diuretics, endocrine hormones, antidiabetic agents, and anticancer drugs are discussed in detail. Integrated with PSB 454.  
**Prerequisite:** PSB 441 or its equivalent; co-requisite: PSB 454 or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 444**  
**Organizational Development**  
A thorough review of organizational development and improvement practices is the basis for this course, including the roles and values of such corporate attributes as training and resource development, culture, planning, and strategy implementation. The focus of lectures and materials is on the identification of organizational strengths and weaknesses as well as the remedy of the latter.  
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

**PSB 445**  
**Sales of Pharmaceuticals and Medical Products**  
This course explores sales and selling strategies for medical products in a regulated environment, including selling/negotiation techniques and sales agreements, emphasizing the special concerns of the FDA regarding promotional material, advertising, and sales collateral in a regulated environment, including off-label uses.  
**Prerequisite:** PSB 423; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 446**  
**Health Care Finance**
A thorough understanding of the principles and concepts of finance as they apply to the healthcare industry is provided. The course utilizes financial tools and strategies to understand the business of the healthcare environment.

**Prerequisite:** PSB 320 or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 447 Fundamentals of Business Law**
Introduces students to the study of law as it relates to business organizations. Explores all aspects of the court system and judicial process, including torts, contracts, and employment. Emphasis is placed on the relationship between the law and ethics.

Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 448 Business Communication**
Introduces the student to the basic concepts, theories, and principles of oral and written, including electronic, communication as they relate to the business environment. Demonstrates the importance of effective business communication, both formal and informal. Explores the basic patterns of business letters and the fundamentals of report writing.

Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

**PSB 450 Pharmaceutical Biotechnology**
Students learn the fundamental principles and concepts in recombinant DNA technology and its application to pharmaceuticals. Students apply these principles to the design and use of therapeutic proteins, vaccines, and nucleic acids, including small interfering RNA (siRNA), antisense molecules, and gene therapy in various disease states. Students learn about federal regulatory issues relating to these biotechnological products.

Prerequisite: PSB 332; co-requisites: PSB 451, 441; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 i.h.; fall.

**PSB 451 Pharmacology I**
This course introduces the student to the science of pharmacology, with emphasis on the basic principles of pharmacology, gene therapy factors modifying drug responses, dose-response relationships, and in-depth consideration of the effects of drugs on the autonomic nervous system; on antacids, histamine, and eicosanoids; and on the central nervous system. Integrated with PSB 441.

Prerequisites: fourth-year standing, PSB 329 or its equivalent; co-requisite: PSB 441 or consent of instructor; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 i.h.; fall.

**PSB 453**

**Experimental Pharmacology**
This elective hands-on laboratory is designed to give the interested student an opportunity to engage in pharmacological research, with emphasis on cardiovascular pharmacology. The use of the rat as an in vivo model for the investigation and evaluation of antihypertensive agents, and the use of in vitro isolated heart and atrial preparations are examples of the types of experimentation that are performed by students. Laboratory reports and an oral presentation are required. Enrollment is limited to six fourth-year students.

Prerequisites: PSB 451 and consent of instructor; lab, 6 hrs.; credit, 2 i.h.

**PSB 454 Pharmacology II**
This course is a continuation of PSB 451, and the discussion of central nervous system drugs is concluded. Cardiovascular, renal, and endocrine pharmacology is presented. In addition, cancer chemotherapy and antiasthmatics will be presented. Integrated with PSB 442.

Prerequisite: PSB 451 or its equivalent; co-requisite: PSB 442 or consent of instructor; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 i.h.; spring.

**PSB 456 Entrepreneurship**
This course introduces students to the process of developing, financing, growing, and exiting a business venture. The course includes how to protect intellectual capital; how to raise capital, both in the private and public markets; and how to value a company for a sale or merger. The role of venture capitalists, investment bankers, and angels as a source of capital is discussed.

Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 i.h.; varies.

**PSB 457 Pharmacognosy**
The student will understand and discuss natural products from plants and their manufacture, assay, and use in humans. The themes to be emphasized include the procedures of chemical analysis (extraction, isolation, and analysis of plant constituents) and the pharmacological methods to study the medicinal properties of plants (pharmacodynamics of plant constituents).

Prerequisites: PSB 442, PSB 454, or consent of instructor; class, 3 hr.; credit, 3 i.h.; spring.

**PSB 458 Pharmaceutics Seminar**
Students develop the abilities to search, evaluate literature, and deliver presentations. The course includes presentations from visiting scientists from local pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies on the latest developments in the pharmaceutical field.

Co-requisite: PSB 335; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 i.h.; spring.
PSB 460  
Principles of Toxicology I  
This lecture-based course is designed to introduce the student to the discipline of toxicology with an emphasis on its application to basic science research. The principles of toxicology, including non-organ-targeted and organ system–targeted toxicity, will be discussed, as well as the mechanisms of toxicity; toxicokinetics; chemical carcinogenesis; and genetic, liver, and kidney toxicity.  
Prerequisite: PSB 329; co-requisite: PSB 462; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 461  
Principles of Toxicology II  
This course is a continuation of PSB 460. Cardiovascular, hematological, and respiratory toxicology are presented. Applications in the field of toxicology are presented and discussed.  
Prerequisite: PSB 460; co-requisite: PSB 464; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 462  
Basic Pharmacology I  
This lecture course is designed to introduce the student to the science of pharmacology, with emphasis on its application to basic science research. Principles of pharmacology, including pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic relationships, will be discussed, as well as the effects of drugs on the autonomic nervous system, cardiovascular system, renal system, and eicosanoids.  
Prerequisite: fourth-year BS in Pharmacology/Toxicology program; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 464  
Basic Pharmacology II  
This course is a continuation of PSB 462, presenting the effects of drugs on the central nervous, respiratory, and endocrine systems. Additionally, antibiotics, antivirals, and antifungals, as well as cancer chemotherapy and antiasthmatics will be presented.  
Prerequisite: fourth-year BS in Pharmacology/Toxicology program; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 530  
Undergraduate Research Project  
Research participation is provided at the undergraduate level for superior students, with emphasis on the methods and techniques of research. Offered at the discretion of the division.  
Prerequisites: permission of instructor and approval by division director; lab, 3–6 hrs.; credit, 1–3 s.h.; varies.

PSB 532  
Directed Study  
Faculty-directed study is provided to an individual student wishing to examine a particular topic in pharmacology in greater detail. Emphasis is placed on the student’s analysis of the scientific literature. Faculty-assisted instruction in all areas of pharmacology is available.  
Prerequisite: consent of instructor and department chair; credit, 1–3 s.h. (6 s.h. maximum); varies.

PSB 535  
Senior Research Project or Industrial Internship  
Research participation is provided at the undergraduate level for superior students, with emphasis on the methods and techniques of research. Offered at the discretion of the division.  
Prerequisites: permission of instructor and approval by division director; lab, 3–6 hrs.; credit, 1–3 s.h.

PSB 540  
Principles of Clinical Research  
Students will examine the principles and practices necessary for the ethical conduct of human clinical research. Regulations, methodology, procedures, documentation, and reporting essential for compliance with good clinical practice (GCP) guidelines will be discussed. Students will apply these principles to a project and classroom exercises. Roles of multidisciplinary healthcare professionals and opportunities in the clinical setting and biopharmaceutical industry will be identified.  
Prerequisites: PSB 454; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 541  
Principles of Pharmaceconomics and Outcomes Research  
This course provides an overview of pharmaceconomics (PE) and outcomes research (OR) concepts and methodologies, and aims to provide future practitioners with the knowledge and skills needed to understand and utilize information from PE and OR studies in the decision-making process.  
Prerequisite: fifth-year standing in the PharmD program; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 720  
Good Manufacturing Practices Compliance  
This course explores in depth the promulgated regulations through which the federal government controls drugs, cosmetics, and diagnostics. Major emphasis is placed on understanding the need for and the intent of regulations and developing mechanisms for implementation and compliance.  
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

PSB 802  
Chemistry of Macromolecules  
This course covers the structure, stability, properties, isolation, purification, identification, and synthesis of proteins. Bases of theoretical and experimental approaches to conduct protein-binding studies are considered in detail.  
Prerequisite: PSB 332 or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.
**PSB 807/807L
Unit Operations**
This course imparts a firm understanding of various industrial operations used in the manufacturing of pharmaceutical dosage forms in order to lay a foundation for other courses dealing with the specific aspects of dosage form development and manufacture.
Class, 2 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

**PSB 809
Advanced Physical Pharmacy**
This course provides analysis of the theory of physical chemical properties, such as solubility, diffusion, dissolution, interfacial phenomena, and rheology, and their application in the development of dosage forms.
Prerequisite: PSB 340 or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**PSB 811
Advanced Physiology I**
The basic aspects of cell physiology, including nerve and muscle cell function as well as the central nervous, autonomic nervous, and endocrine systems, are studied in relation to homeostasis.
Prerequisite: consent of instructor; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

**PSB 812
Advanced Physiology II**
A continuation of PSB 811. Circulatory, respiratory, and renal systems are examined.
Prerequisite: PSB 811; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 815
Drug Metabolism**
The metabolism of drugs and other foreign compounds is considered. Emphasis is placed on those substances that are of therapeutic importance. Phase I and Phase II metabolism, hepatic and intestinal drug metabolism, pharmacogenetics variability, active metabolites and toxicity, drug-drug and herbal-drug interactions, in vitro systems, in vivo methods, and inducers of CYP450 isozymes are all considered in depth.
Prerequisite: PSB 332 or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

**PSB 818/818L
Laboratory Rotations**
These rotations provide new graduate students with the opportunities to gain preliminary hands-on experience in laboratory techniques and to identify an area of research that is of potential interest.
Lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.

**PSB 819
Graduate Seminar**
This interdisciplinary seminar is required for all graduate students in the pharmaceutical sciences and offered each semester.
Class, 1 hr./wk.; credit, 1 s.h. with a cumulative maximum of 3 s.h. for MS and 6 s.h. for PhD.

**PSB 820
Advanced Medicinal Chemistry I**
The rational utilization of drug structure-activity relationships in the design of new drugs is considered. Specific topics include enzyme inhibition as a tool to develop new therapeutic agents and the AIDS virus as a potential target for drug design.
Prerequisite: PSB 442 or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 822
Enzyme Kinetics**
This course is an introduction to the steady-state and rapid-equilibrium kinetics of enzyme-catalyzed reactions. Velocity equations for unireactant and multireactant enzyme reactions are studied through the computer modeling of kinetic data. The kinetics of various enzyme inhibitors also are examined.
Prerequisite: PSB 802 or consent of instructor; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

**PSB 824/824L
Colloidal and Interfacial Phenomena**
This course studies interfacial and colloidal properties that are of chemical, biological, and pharmaceutical significance. Surface thermodynamics, properties of monomolecular films, rheological measurements, and micellization are studied from a theoretical consideration and a practical approach.
Prerequisites: PSB 808, 809; Physical Chemistry; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

**PSB 825
Controlled Drug Delivery**
This course is a study of the principles involved in the formulation of various controlled-release drug dosage forms and mechanisms responsible for drug release. The emphasis is placed on the orally administered dosage forms and transdermal delivery systems.
Prerequisites: PSB 808; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

**PSB 826
Targeted Drug Delivery**
The study of the principles involved in the formulation of various controlled-release drug dosage forms and mechanisms of drug release from such dosage forms. The emphasis is placed on transdermal and peptide/protein drug delivery systems.
Prerequisites: PSB 808; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.
PSB 835
Advanced Pharmacokinetics
This course is an advanced study of pharmacokinetic principles pertaining to ADME processes as they apply to mammillary and other complex pharmacokinetic models. It emphasizes the utility of multicompartment concepts in the analysis of blood/urine data following the administration of the drug by intra- and extravascular routes.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PSB 836
Pharmacodynamics
A detailed study is made of the chemistry, mechanism of action, and pathologic indication of certain cardiovascular and psychotherapeutic agents. More limited studies of certain antispasmodic compounds and analgesic substances lend support.
Prerequisites: PSB 841, 842, or equivalents; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

PSB 837
Vascular Physiology and Pharmacology
This course provides the interested student with a detailed study of the systemic and pulmonary circulations. An emphasis is placed on the physiological and pharmacological regulation of vascular tone.
Prerequisites: PSB 811, 812, or equivalents; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.

PSB 840
Advanced Biopharmaceutics
This course is a study of the physicochemical properties and formulation factors that affect biological availability and the processes of drug absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion. Pharmacokinetic aspects of drug therapy, graphical representation, and interpretation of blood and urine data are emphasized.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PSB 841
Advanced Pharmacology I
The pharmacological response is examined as the interactions between the physicochemical properties of a drug and the body tissues. Explores the interactions of drugs with whole tissues and individual receptors. Emphasis is placed on the analysis of ligand-binding data.
Class, 3 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

PSB 842
Advanced Pharmacology II
The principles, methods, and techniques employed in the evaluation of drug effectiveness are presented together with information on drug interactions with receptors to produce a physiologic response. Emphasis is placed on the functioning of G protein–linked receptors.
Class, 3 hrs.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

PSB 846
Advanced Toxicology
Considers the absorption, distribution, and excretion of a toxicant, metabolism of toxic substances, and various drug-related and non-drug-related factors influencing toxicology. Emphasis is placed on the systemic site of action for toxins, the types of injury produced in specific organs or systems, and the agents that produce such injury.
Prerequisite: PSB 842; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

PSB 850
Pharmacogenomics
Pharmacogenomics is the study of the entire spectrum of human genes that determine drug response and is the impetus for the development of personalized medicine. This course examines known interrelationships between drug efficacy or toxicity and the causal genetic variants. Fundamental principles of genetics and gene expression are discussed, as well as the analytical techniques specific to genomics. Recent publications related to pharmacogenomics and its clinical consequences are analyzed.
Prerequisite: graduate status or permission of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

PSB 851
Bio-organic Chemistry
This course reviews the organic chemistry of biological catalysts, including the essentials of enzymatic reactions. Emphasis is placed on enzyme and coenzyme structure and functions, mechanisms of action, and modes of inhibition.
Prerequisite: PSB 332 or consent of instructor; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

PSB 855
Care and Use of Laboratory Animals
This course provides information for the graduate student on the various animal welfare agencies and the proper care and use of laboratory animals involved in scientific experimentation.
Class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

PSB 860
Chromatography
This course discusses the practical application of chromatography, with emphasis on liquid chromatography, reviewing the theory and basic principles of chromatography as a separation tool and the techniques of method development and validation.
Prerequisites: graduate admission and CHE 717 or equivalent, or consent of instructor; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.
PSB 861
Chromatography Laboratory
This lab provides experience in the development and validation of the HPLC method for the analysis of pharmaceuticals by evaluating the effects of molecular structures and the selection of columns and mobile phases in the practical development of the HPLC method.
Co-requisite: PSB 860 for graduate students without previous instrumentation experience; lab, 6 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

PSB 865
Drug Screening
This course provides practical training in the qualitative evaluation of drug compounds from the standpoint of type of response and possible site and mechanism of action, based on differential pharmacological characteristics, and the classification of these compounds according to determinative response features into proper pharmacologic categories.
Prerequisite: PSB 841, 842, or equivalent, or consent of instructor; class, 1 hr.; lab, 4 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

PSB 872
Special Problems in Pharmacology
A student may be permitted by the Graduate Council to undertake a less extensive investigation than that of the PhD dissertation or to participate in a field study program at an off-campus site. This investigation/field study program is conducted in the areas of the student’s major or minor field of study and is open to all doctoral graduate students having completed at least two years of doctoral study and two semesters of research credits. Students are expected to prepare a proposal including the nature of the fieldwork, the study objective, the field study site, the fieldwork supervisor and other topics related to the student’s major/minor field of study. The proposal is to be approved by the student’s Graduate Advisory Committee several months prior to beginning the program. At the conclusion of the field study program, the student and field supervisor submit a report to the Graduate Advisory Committee and the Dean of Research and Graduate Studies. A cumulative maximum of 2 semester hours may be applied toward the graduate degree. The amount of credit awarded for a special problem is subject to review by the Graduate Advisory Committee and the Dean of Research and Graduate Council. This course is not subject to tuition remission.
Credit, 1–2 s.h.; varies.

PSB 875/875L
Pharmaceutical Dosage Forms Design
This course studies the application of pharmaceutics, physical pharmacy, and pharmacokinetics in a systematic approach to the design and development of pharmaceutical dosage forms. It includes preformulation, selection of dosage form and its excipients, selection of processes, application of quantitative techniques of optimization, and process of drug registration.
Class, 2 hrs.; lab, 9 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

PSB 880
Research
Four (4) semester hours required for the master’s degree and 7 or 8 semester hours required for the doctorate, including 1 seminar hour. In no case shall more than 3 research credits be taken until after the proposal has been approved by the Graduate Advisory Committee and the Dean of Research and Graduate Studies.
Time and credit to be approved by the major professor.

PSB 895
Graduate Study Extension
All degree students are expected to remain continuously enrolled each semester, excluding summer semesters, until all requirements for the degree have been completed. Students maintain continuing registration by indicating PSB 895 Graduate Study Extension on the registration form and paying a fee.
Credit, none.

Radiography (RAD)

RAD 201C, RAD 202C
Radiography Internship I, II
Supervised clinical experience in radiography. The student observes and performs diagnostic imaging procedures while completing required competency evaluations. Two rotations, one of 15 weeks’ and one of 10 weeks’ duration. Progression contingent upon successful completion of previous rotation. (Locations pending approval.)
Prerequisites for RAD 201C: RAD 205, 210, 220, 240 and RSC 305; prerequisite for RAD 202C: RAD 201C; experiential, 16 hrs./wk. spring, 32 hrs./wk. summer; credit, 4 s.h. (201C), 5 s.h. (202C).

RAD 205
Radiography Foundations
This course introduces radiography students to the use of ionizing radiation in healthcare. Topics include the principles of radiation safety, radiologic credentialing and professional organizations, customer service, and an overview of the history of radiology and medicine.
Prerequisite: accepted into the Radiography program; class, 1 hr.; experiential, 70 hrs./semester; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

RAD 210/210L
Radiographic Procedures I
This course includes instruction in positioning terminology, anatomy, and image evaluation utilized during radiographic procedures. Special considerations relating to trauma and pediatric patients are discussed. Simulated exams are performed.
Prerequisites: BIO 110, 210; RAD 205; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

RAD 211/211L
Radiographic Procedures II
This course includes operating room procedures, portable radiographic procedures, skull and facial bone radiography, and procedures requiring contrast media. The indications and contraindications of contrast media are discussed, and laboratory simulation is utilized.
Prerequisite: RAD 210; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

RAD 220/220L
Radiographic Exposure Principles I
This course explains and discusses X-ray production and emission, X-ray-matter interactions, image receptors, exposure factors, processing, and other factors related to image production.
Prerequisites: MAT 141 or 151; RAD 205 and 240; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

RAD 221/221L
Radiographic Exposure Principles II
This course is a continuation of Radiographic Exposure Principles I, with a focus on image quality and evaluation. The design and utilization of a quality assurance program to achieve optimal image quality with minimal radiation dose are discussed.
Prerequisites: RAD 220, 240; class, 3 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

RAD 240
X-ray Radiation Physics
Students study the X-ray circuit, rectification, thermionic diode tubes, and the production and characteristics of X-rays.
Prerequisites: MAT 141, 150, or 151; PHY 181 or equivalent; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

RAD 250
Image Critique in Radiography
Students develop critical thinking skills and integrate information from didactic courses and clinical rotations through small-group discussions of case studies.
Prerequisites: RAD 211, 221, 240; class, 3 hrs. (5 weeks); credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

RAD 303C
Radiography Internship III
This is a supervised clinical experience in radiography. The student observes and performs diagnostic imaging procedures while completing required competency evaluations.
Prerequisite: RAD 202C; experiential, 24 hrs./wk.; credit, 6 s.h.; fall.

RAD 304C
Radiography Internship IV
This is a continuation of the internship sequence. Students perform radiographic procedures under the supervision of a qualified radiographer and successfully complete the required competency evaluations. Progression is contingent upon successful completion of previous rotation.
Prerequisite: RAD 303C; experiential, 24 hrs./wk.; credit, 6 s.h.; spring.

RAD 370
Problem Solving in Radiography
Offered in the final semester of the Radiography program to integrate and synthesize the full content of the program utilizing a combination of online and classroom activities, including problem-solving and self-assessment techniques, to improve clinical decision-making skills.
Prerequisites: RAD 211, 221, 240; RSC 305, 310; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

Radiologic Science (RSC)

RSC 110
Medical Terminology for the Radiologic Sciences
The course consists of a medical terminology overview with a major emphasis on the radiologic sciences.
Prerequisite: enrollment in the MRI, Nuclear Medicine Technology, Radiation Therapy, or Radiography program; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

RSC 287
Radiation: Protection and Biology
This course presents the basic principles, concepts, and procedures of radiation protection and radiobiology. Topics include radiation units; principles of radiation protection; absorbed dose calculations; health physics procedures; radiation exposure regulations; and reduction of radiation exposure to patients, personnel, and the environment.
Prerequisite: NMT 271, RAD 240; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

RSC 305
Patient Care in Imaging
This course introduces basic patient care techniques related to radiology and nuclear medicine departments. Lecture topics include sterile and aseptic techniques, phlebotomy, patient mechanics, infection control, communication, and monitoring of vital signs.
Prerequisites: BIO 210; CHE 210; MAT 141, 150, or 151; PHY 181; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.
RSC 310/3100
Cross-sectional Anatomy
In this predominantly online course, students learn to identify the major anatomic structures, vasculature, and organ systems depicted in axial, sagittal, and coronal planar images. These systems include head, neck, chest, abdomen, pelvis, and vertebral column.
Prerequisites: BIO 210 or equivalent; CHE 220; MAT 141, 150, or 151; PHY 181 or 270; class, online plus 10 hrs. total classroom; credit, 3 s.h.; summer, fall.

RSC 315
CT Imaging
This course is designed to provide students with an overview of CT instrumentation, imaging applications, physics, data acquisition, and history. Students will learn to apply theory to different types of CT equipment and data acquisition systems.
Prerequisite: RTT 260 or NMT 271 or RAD 240; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

RSC 325
Clinical Pathophysiology
This course focuses on the clinical pathogenesis of human disease as a consequence of abnormalities and alterations of normal physiologic function, based on a cellular and molecular framework. Study will center on the interrelationship between the pathophysiologic mechanisms of disease and treatment of certain oncologic diseases as they affect the results of diagnostic imaging and laboratory testing.
Prerequisites: BIO 210; CHE 220; MAT 141, 150, or 151; PHY 181 or 270; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

RSC 420
Computed Tomography Pathology and Procedures
This course is designed to provide the foundations of computed tomography (CT) procedures and common diseases diagnosed via CT. Each pathologic procedure indication is examined from its description, etiology, associated symptoms, and diagnosis with appearance on CT. Students will match pathologic processes with the appropriate procedures; choose scan parameters; perform patient history assessments, preparation, filming, and archiving; and review CT images for anatomy, quality, and pathology.
Prerequisites: RSC 310, 315; admission to the CT Certificate program; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

RSC 425C
CT Clinical Practicum I
This course is designed to allow the students hands-on experience documenting and performing CT exams within the clinical setting under the direct supervision of a registered technologist. This course is competency based, and students will be assessed through competency exams and clinical objectives.
Prerequisites: RSC 310, 315, 325; BIO 110, 210; admission to the CT Certificate program; clinic, 32 hrs./wk. for 12 weeks; credit, 9 s.h.; summer.

RSC 435C
CT Clinical Practicum II
This course is designed to allow the student to gain hands-on experience at documenting and performing advanced CT procedures within the clinical setting under direct and indirect supervision by a registered technologist. This is a competency-based course, and students will be assessed through competency exams and clinical objectives.
Prerequisites: RSC 425C, admission to the CT Certificate program; clinical, 32 hrs./wk. for 12 weeks; credit, 9 s.h.; fall.

RTT 201C, RTT 202C, RTT 203C
Radiation Therapy Internship I, II, and III
This internship sequence provides supervised participation in the practice of radiation therapy to complete required competencies. Three rotations, two of 14 weeks’ and one of six weeks’ duration. Progression is contingent upon successful completion of previous rotation. RTT 201C and 202C have an evening clinical procedure lab component to be completed at a clinical affiliate hospital.
Prerequisites: RSC 110, 305, 325; co-requisites: RTT 260, 280 for RTT 201C; clinic, 16 hrs./wk., fall and spring semesters; 24 hrs./wk. summer session; credit, 4 s.h./course.

RTT 235
Clinical Oncology
This 14-week course covers the clinical principles of radiation oncology. The major site-specific oncologic diseases will be emphasized. Case-based discussions and student-centered presentations will facilitate integration of theory with clinical practice.
Prerequisites: RTT 201C, 260, RSC 305; co-requisites: RTT 202C, 262; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

RTT 260
Foundations of Radiation Therapy I
Part I of a two-part foundations course. Basic principles of the radiation therapy profession will be highlighted. Discussions focusing on key agendas and professional societies will surround professionalism. Radiation therapy concepts will be examined, including cancer nomenclature, the radiation oncology team, phases of cancer treatments, basic principles of carcinogenesis, diagnosis, and cancer management tools. The needs of the cancer patient are probed to include nutritional needs as they relate to treatment. Radiation and its properties are examined. Radiation therapy equipment and basic
parameters are integrated as related to the clinical environment. Diagnostic radiography principles are reviewed.

**Prerequisites:** RSC 110, 305, 325; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

**RTT 262**
Foundations of Radiation Therapy II
Part II of a two-part foundations course. The focus is on assessment-based tests of concepts covered in the first foundation course. It includes (but is not limited to) critical thinking exercises (peer reciprocal questioning and answering).

**Prerequisites:** RTT 201C, 260, 280; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

**RTT 280**
Medical Radiation Physics I
This course is a noncalculus examination of the basic concepts and principles in radiation and nuclear physics, including math / classical physics review; radioactive decay; radionuclide production; and x-ray circuitry, particle generators, production, and properties.

**Prerequisite:** PHY 181, RSC 325; co-requisites: RTT 260, RTT 201C; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**RTT 281**
Medical Radiation Physics II
This course is a continuation of RTT 280. Topics include radioactive decay, high-energy treatment machines, particulate/photon interactions, quality of radiation, x-ray intensity and exposure, measurement of radiation, and radiation protection. It emphasizes the concepts applicable to radiation therapy.

**Prerequisites:** RTT 280, 201C; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**RTT 283**
Physics for Treatment Planning
This course is a detailed presentation of the principles, aims, and techniques of applying radiation to the human body. It covers dose calculation methods and comparison of isodose curves for various radiation energies and beam arrangements, with emphasis on performing calculations.

**Prerequisites:** RTT 201C, 280; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

**RTT 304C, RTT 305C**
Radiation Therapy Internship IV, V
Continuation of the internship rotations, which provide supervised participation in the practice of radiation therapy to complete required competencies. Didactic and clinical knowledge of previous course content will be reintroduced with progression contingent on successful completion of clinical competencies. Two rotations of 15 weeks’ duration.

**Prerequisite:** RTT 203C; clinic, 24 hrs./wk.; credit, 6 s.h./course.

**RTT 340**
Radiation Therapy Quality Assurance and Laboratory
Topics include the purposes and principles of a quality assurance program in radiation therapy, quality control procedures, effect of beam geometry on imaging and treatment technique, methods of radiation measurement, and machine calibration.

**Prerequisites:** RTT 281, 304C; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

**RTT 345**
Brachytherapy
Students will examine and understand of physical properties, uses, dose calculation methods, and care of radionuclides used in therapeutic applications of brachytherapy. Surface applicators and interstitial and intracavitary implants are discussed. Radiation protection as related to radionuclide use is presented.

**Prerequisites:** RTT 281, 283, 304C; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

**RTT 361**
Radiation Therapy I with Laboratory
An in-depth presentation of the use of radiation therapy in the treatment of cancers involving specific areas of the body. Topics covered include anatomy, epidemiology and etiology, presenting symptoms, pathology, treatment, and outcomes of treatment. Sites presented include skin cancers; sarcomas; and cancers of the digestive tract, female reproductive organs, breast, and urinary systems. A clinical laboratory is conducted for each site to determine radiation therapy treatment techniques.

**Prerequisites:** RSC 325, 262, 203C; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**RTT 362**
Radiation Therapy II with Laboratory
A continuation of RTT 361. Sites include cancers of the organs of the head and neck, lung cancers, lymphomas, endocrine and brain tumors, the leukemias, and pediatric tumors. A clinical laboratory and a case-based seminar are incorporated weekly for each site to determine radiation therapy treatment techniques.

**Prerequisites:** RTT 304C, 361; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**Social Sciences (SSC)**

**SSC 230**
Cultural Anthropology
An introduction to the concepts, principles, and major areas of anthropology. The course focuses on the similarities and differences among the world’s peoples. A variety of topics are studied, including symbolic anthropology, religion, kinship, social organization, ecology, and economics.

**Prerequisite:** LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.
SSC 240
Social Science Problems
Introduces the concepts and methods of the social sciences through analysis of selected contemporary social problems caused by major socioeconomic, political, and technological trends in modern society.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 340/3400
Survey of Modern American History
An introductory survey of U.S. history from 1860 to the present. Selected historical themes and problems are studied in depth.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 341/3410
History of Western Civilization I
A study of Western civilization from its origins in the Near East through the development of the Greek, Roman, and medieval worlds. The rise of European nation-states from the Middle Ages to the Reformation is examined.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 342/3420
History of Western Civilization II
A study of Western European social, political, cultural, and intellectual traditions and economic development from the Reformation to 1890. Western Civilization I is not a prerequisite.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 345
Immigrant Experience
This course explores the history of immigration to the United States from 1790 to the present. Goals include developing an understanding of the continual role migration has played in the peopling of the United States and of the ways in which newcomers have experienced life in America. Topics include family, community, ethnic identity, work, assimilation, nativism, and immigration reform.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 354
The Family in Society
Examines the sociocultural context and the social psychology of contemporary family life, focusing upon the experiences of family members and upon the impact of the wider social and economic world upon family life.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 420
20th-Century Popular Music and Culture
Students will develop an understanding of 20th-century popular music’s evolution in American history. The course’s focus is the relationship between popular music and race, class, gender, politics, generations, identity, sexuality, technology, consumption, and globalization. Students will develop critical listening skills and the ability to communicate different approaches to the study of popular music.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 430
The Fifties: An Introduction to American Studies
Studies the cultural patterns, social tensions, and historical tendencies in the 1950s. Readings and media survey the cold war, atomic culture, McCarthyism, civil rights, gender and family, affluence and material culture, literature, the arts, and popular culture.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 431
The Sixties: An Introduction to American Studies
An application of American studies methodology, this course examines the cultural, social, and political patterns and tensions in the historical context of the 1960s. Readings and media survey the Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon presidential administrations; changes in everyday life; social protest movements; journalism; and popular culture and the arts.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 432
Medical Anthropology
The course is comparative and holistic, focusing on culture and its influence on disease and healthcare. The significance of sociocultural factors, type/frequency of disease in a population, explanatory models, and the social construction of illness are explored.
Prerequisites: LIB 133, SSC 230; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

SSC 440
Women in History
This course focuses on the historical context of economic, political, social, and cultural issues that have affected women. Such themes as gender roles, status, class, position, myths, stereotypes, and images of women in culture are explored.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 443
Europe in the 20th Century
A study of Europe as a cultural entity. The European national relationships and divergences in political, social, economic, and cultural development from 1890 to the present are examined in the light of common experiences, conditions, and events.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.
SSC 444
Cigarettes in American Culture
This course analyzes the cultural meaning of the cigarette in the 20th-century United States by considering the rise and fall in cigarette consumption, scientific study of tobacco harms, production and marketing, policymaking, and litigation concerning the tobacco industry.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 445
The Irish in America
Students study significant moments in Irish-American history and learn to interpret Irish-American identity. Students will discover, analyze, and critically assess historical, social, and cultural issues involving an enduring Irish immigration, diaspora, and negotiation of Irish-American ethnic identity. They will learn to assess social struggle, social tension, and cultural expressions of Irish and/or Irish-American identity, learning about Irish contributions to America.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 452
Urban History
This course explores the evolution of American cities. We will examine many factors that shape urban development and lifestyles, including immigration, interactions between peoples of different cultures and classes, and how urban dwellers have experienced and responded to a variety of issues (health, poverty, local politics, housing, conflict) and natural and man-made disasters.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 475
Selected Topics in Social Sciences
Designed to accommodate a small group of students who are interested in studying in depth a particular topic in anthropology, history, or political science. Course content changes each year offered.
Prerequisite: LIB 133 and one history elective, or consent of instructor; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; varies.

SSC 495
Evolution of the Health Professions
Introduces the history and politics of healthcare in America. Medicine, nursing, pharmacy, and public health are examined in the context of healthcare organizations, popular conceptions of health and illness, and consumer movement challenges.
Prerequisite: LIB 133; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall, spring.

School of Optometry—Worcester (OPT)

OPT 610/610L
Human Anatomy and Physiology
This course provides foundational knowledge of human anatomy and physiology from the optometric perspective. Accordingly, the course emphasizes the anatomy and physiology of the body. Students will be able to develop an appropriate, detailed knowledge of anatomy of the human and to develop a multidimensional understanding of the anatomical relationships of the structures in the body. They will apply the principles of anatomy to clinical cases and develop functional knowledge for ocular anatomy, microanatomy, neuroanatomy, physiology, pathology, physical diagnosis, and systemic and ocular disease courses.
Prerequisite: admission to OD program; class, 3 hrs., credit, 3 s.h.; lab, 2 hrs., credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 611
Ocular Anatomy and Physiology
The mission of this course is to provide students with a foundational knowledge of human ocular anatomy and physiology appropriate for an optometrist. Students will learn about the anatomical organization of eye components as well as physiology associated with the eyes’ functioning from a clinical perspective.
Prerequisites: OPT 610, 614; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

OPT 612
Ocular Biochemistry and Physiology
Students will gain a foundational knowledge of the biochemical and physiological processes of the human body appropriate for an optometrist.
Prerequisite: OPT 610; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

OPT 613
Neuroanatomy and Physiology
The mission of this course is to provide foundational knowledge of human neuroanatomy appropriate for an optometrist. Students will learn about the head and neck, and undertake a detailed survey of cranial nerves as well as the parasympathetic and sympathetic nervous systems.
Prerequisite: OPT 610, 611, 614; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

OPT 614
Developmental Biology
This course will introduce students to the histology of various tissue types and human organ systems and the embryonic development of ocular structures as well as the mechanisms involved in their formation. This course will enable a better understanding of histological aspects related to the human
body as well as developmental aspects of the human eye.
Class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

OPT 620/620L
Vision Science and Perception
Students will gain foundational knowledge about vision science in perception and color vision appropriate for an optometrist. The course emphasizes these topics from a clinical perspective.  
Prerequisite: OPT 630; co-requisite: OPT 631; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

OPT 621/621L
Ocular Functions and Neurology
This course presents the oculomotor system and its associated neurology. Eye movements are described in detail, including the basic types and their purpose, mechanisms, and controlling neurology. The course also looks at clinical manifestations of anomalies of these eye movements. Accommodation and vergence also are presented in similar fashion. Amblyopia and strabismus are presented in detail, including their associated clinical signs and diagnostic and prognostic measures.  
Prerequisite: OPT 620; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 1 hr.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

OPT 630/630L
Geometrical Optics
Students will learn geometrical optics appropriate for an optometrist.  
Prerequisite: admission to OD program; class, 5 hrs.; credit, 5 s.h.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 631/631L
Geometrical, Physical, and Visual Optics
Students will learn visual and physical optics appropriate for an optometrist.  
Prerequisites: OPT 630, 631L; class, 5 hrs.; credit, 5 s.h.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

OPT 632/632L
Ophthalmic Optics
Students will learn ophthalmic optics appropriate for an optometrist.  
Prerequisites: OPT 631, 631L; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

OPT 650/650C/650L
Clinical Optometry I
This course provides clinical education on basic examination elements, including ocular terminology, clinical hygiene and equipment care, case history, visual acuity, utilization of pretesting equipment, sphygmomanometry, stereoacuity, color vision, and documentation utilizing electronic health records. Students must demonstrate competency for individual basic skills used in a primary care examination, communicate appropriate principles of professionalism, and identify normal findings.  
Prerequisites: OPT 650; co-requisites: OPT 652/652L, 80% pass.
rate on clinical proficiencies to perform techniques under supervision in EVC; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

OPT 671C
Primary Care Clinic and Grand Rounds
Students will gain experience in primary care and optical clinical settings and in clerkship with a preceptor. Students will utilize skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will understand how to make oral and PowerPoint presentations on clinical cases. Students will gain the ability to differentiate between pertinent and nonpertinent information. Students will gain public speaking skills.
Prerequisite: OPT 670; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

OPT 690/690C
Communication, Cultural Competency, and Public Health
This course provides foundational knowledge about the significance and challenges of communication within and across cultures. Students will understand the basic differences in cultural approaches to healthcare, cultural competence, and biomedical and sociocultural constructs of perceived illness. In addition, this course provides foundational knowledge of public health issues from an optometric perspective. Students will gain an appreciation for national and international public health issues; the social, legal, and economic impacts of public health policy; and the relevance of epidemiological studies in epidemic and endemic disease.
Prerequisite: admission to OD program; class, 1 hr.; experiential, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 691L
Learning, Information, and Independent Study
This course acquaints students with learning strategies, time management, study skills, and various types of knowledge acquisition. It emphasizes independent study that is personalized and designed to enhance skills developed in other courses, such as literature reviews, research design and interpretation, and statistics. Students will engage in personal educational development through a writing process in which a research topic is developed and presented.
Prerequisite: admission to OD program; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 692
School Screening
Students will provide vision screenings to school-aged children in area public school systems. They will utilize basic examination elements learned in the Clinical Optometry sequence and will be supervised by a licensed optometrist.
Prerequisite: admission to OD program; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 693
Scholarship Seminar
Students will learn how to develop scholarly presentations in the form of posters, papers, and review articles. They will interact with mentors and advisors to promote scholarly presentations at local and national optometric conferences.
Prerequisite: OPT 691L; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

OPT 694
Spanish for Optometry Professionals
Students will become familiar with healthcare terminology in Spanish. They will be able to perform basic examination and assessment elements in Spanish. Students will understand the importance of communication.
Prerequisite: OPT 690; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

OPT 695
Service Learning
This course focuses on the development of skills and attitudes essential for care providers. Students engage in service learning, an educational method in which students perform service work that meets others’ needs and through which they develop an understanding of professionalism. Service-learning experience is essential in becoming a member of a healthcare profession.
Prerequisite: admission to OD program; class, 1 hr.; service learning, 2 hrs. (for 10 weeks); credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 696
Cultural Competence in Eye Care
This course focuses on the importance of cultural competency in optometric patient care. Through videos, journal articles, and case discussions, the student will identify culturally competent models of care and the skills necessary for culturally competent patient care.
Prerequisites: OPT 690; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

OPT 697
Rest Home Care
Students will provide care to patients at Dodge Park Rest Home and Day Club. Students will utilize basic examination elements learned in the Clinical Optometry sequence and will be supervised by a licensed optometrist. This course is intended for optometry students.
Prerequisites: OPT 650/650C; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; varies.

OPT 699
Research / Independent Study
The course goals are to provide students with a better understanding of optometric research, research design, and research methodology. Students will analyze, develop, and reflect upon a research study chosen by the faculty with student input.
Prerequisites: OPT 691, 691L; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring, summer.
OPT 710
Systemic Pharmacology
Students will develop a firm understanding of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics. They will understand the application of systemic pharmacology with an optometric perspective. Students will understand drug-drug interactions, drug mechanisms, and side effects.
Prerequisites: OPT 610, 610L; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

OPT 711
Human Pathology
Students will understand the basic concepts related to microbiology and immunology as well as the concepts of altered health states.
Prerequisites: OPT 610, 610L; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

OPT 712
Ocular Pharmacology
Students will demonstrate knowledge of ocular pharmacological principles, including preparations, bioavailability, routes of administration, mechanisms of action, contraindications and side effects, and treatment and management.
Prerequisite: OPT 710; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

OPT 713
Pathophysiology
Students will understand the mechanisms of pathophysiology related to systemic health.
Prerequisite: OPT 711; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

OPT 720/720L
Vision Science and Human Development
This course presents vision science related to vision development in the infant and child, and changes in vision with aging. The course covers the effects of early environmental restrictions, changes in vision with aging, visual perceptual skills, and anomalies of child development.
Prerequisite: OPT 621; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; lab, 2 hrs., credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 740
Legal Aspects of Optometry
This course provides clinically relevant legal education on matters confronting optometric providers. Legal terminology, safety, privacy, fraud, malpractice liability, tort reform, administrative law, business/tax law, and contracts will be covered.
Prerequisite: OPT 651; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 741/741L
Practice and Business Management I
Students will be introduced to the functional business and management areas necessary to operate an eye care practice. They will review the principles of strategy, finance and accounting, marketing, human resources, operations management, and information technology as applied to eye care practice. Students will become familiar with business process analysis and problem solving.
Prerequisite: OPT 651; class, 1 hr.; lab, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

OPT 742/742L
Practice and Business Management II
Students will have the opportunity to explore in depth the specifics of how to review and analyze practice opportunities and operating challenges in terms of employment, partnership, geographic practice expansion, acquiring practices, adding technology and its acquisition, and adding providers and services.
Prerequisite: OPT 741; class, 1 hr.; lab, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

OPT 750
Anterior Segment Ocular Disease
Students will understand the etiology, signs and symptoms, and treatment and management of various anterior segment ocular diseases and disorders.
Prerequisite: OPT 611; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

OPT 751/751L
Clinical Optometry IV
This course provides clinical education on examination elements, including advanced anterior segment and posterior segment assessment, while incorporating relevant basic science components. Students must demonstrate competency in individual basic skills used in a primary care examination, communicate appropriate principles of professionalism, and identify normal findings.
Prerequisites: OPT 653, 653L; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; lab, 2 hrs., credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 752/752L
Contact Lenses
Students will be introduced to all aspects of contact lens care. Students will learn about contact lens materials and design, fitting techniques, and patient management.
Prerequisites: OPT 750, 751, 751L; class, 4 hrs., credit, 4 s.h.; lab, 2 hrs., credit, 1 s.h.; experiential, 2 hrs.; spring.

OPT 753
Posterior Segment Ocular Disease
This course provides instruction regarding the classification, epidemiology, anatomy, physiology, and pathology of posterior segment ocular diseases and the critical understandings necessary for diagnosis, treatment, and management of the various conditions. Elements including definitions,
classifications, clinical techniques, utilization of equipment, and proper documentation utilizing electronic health records will be emphasized.

Prerequisites: OPT 750; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.

OPT 754/754C/754L
Low Vision and Geriatrics
Students will learn fundamental low-vision principles, principles of magnification, utilization and selection of low-vision devices, and therapeutic treatment and management.

Prerequisites: OPT 753; class, 2 hrs., credit, 2 s.h.; lab, 2 hrs., credit, 1 s.h.; experiential, 4 hrs., credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

OPT 755/755L
Pediatric Vision
Students will learn about the needs of the pediatric population and about pediatric vision testing, treatment, and management. Students also will understand the social and academic demands on the pediatric population.

Prerequisites: OPT 650, 650L; class, 2 hrs., credit, 2 s.h.; lab, 2 hrs., credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

OPT 756
Binocular Vision
Students will learn binocular vision testing, treatment, and management, with emphasis on adult treatment and management.

Prerequisites: OPT 650, 650L; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; summer.

OPT 770C
Primary Care Clinic, Vision Screenings, and Grand Rounds
Students will gain experience in primary care and optical clinical settings and in conducting vision screenings utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to differentiate between normal and abnormal clinical findings. Students will develop an understanding of clinical protocols, billing and coding, and compliance. Students will develop communication skills, including taking a medical history, patient education, and public speaking. Students will develop case presentation skills.

Prerequisite: OPT 653; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 771C/771L
Primary Care Clinic, Vision Screenings, and Grand Rounds
Students will gain experience in primary care and optical clinical settings utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to differentiate between normal and abnormal clinical findings. Students will learn to develop and articulate initial patient management strategies. Students will develop an understanding of clinical protocols, billing and coding, and compliance.

Prerequisites: OPT 653, 653L; lab, 2 hrs., credit, 1 s.h.; experiential, 12 hrs., credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

OPT 772C
Primary Care Clinic with Specialty Rotations
Students will gain experience in primary care clinical settings and specialty services utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will participate in ocular disease, pediatric, contact lens, low vision, and community health clinics. Students will gain the ability to differentiate between normal and abnormal clinical findings. Students will learn to develop and articulate initial patient management strategies.

Prerequisites: OPT 751, 753, 771C; co-requisites: OPT 754, 755, 756; experiential, 8 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

OPT 790
Learning / Independent Study
Students will reflect on their learning styles and develop an integrated case report with basic and clinical science components. Students will learn to incorporate material learned in previous years as it relates to patient care.

Prerequisite: OPT 691L; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

OPT 795
Interdisciplinary Service Learning
This course focuses on the development of skills essential for care providers in an interdisciplinary setting. Though the work that students do in the local community is, in most instances, not directly related to healthcare, the skills that students develop by doing this work and reflecting on it are critical to effective teamwork in healthcare and students’ professional education.

Prerequisite: OPT 695; class, 1 hr.; service learning, 2 hrs./w.k. for 10 wks.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 796
Optical Business Management
The student will learn the components of developing and managing a successful optical dispensary. Students will learn strategies for frame, lens, and equipment selection; pricing; inventory management; and staffing. The student will learn about third-party billing for optical materials and regulatory compliance issues.

Co-requisite: OPT 741; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

OPT 799
Research / Independent Study
The course goals are to provide students with a better understanding of optometric research, research design, and research methodology. Students will analyze, develop, and reflect upon a research study chosen by the faculty with student input.
Prerequisite: OPT 691L; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall, spring, summer.

OPT 850/850L
Grand Rounds Seminar Series
Students will learn about focused clinical seminar topics and present grand rounds reports to the class for discussion and reflection.
Prerequisite: OPT 751/751L; class, 1 hr.; lab, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 851
Glaucoma
This course provides fundamental instruction regarding the classification, epidemiology, anatomy, physiology, and pathology of glaucoma and the critical understandings necessary for diagnosis, treatment, and management of the disease. Definitions, classifications, clinical techniques, utilization of specialized equipment, and proper documentation utilizing electronic health records will be emphasized.
Prerequisite: OPT 751L; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

OPT 852/852L
Binocular Vision and Vision Therapy
Students will review binocular vision disorders and be introduced to vision therapy methods. Students will utilize laboratory time to demonstrate competency and understanding of vision therapy and specialized binocular vision techniques.
Prerequisite: OPT 756; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; lab, 2 hrs., credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 853/853L
Advanced Treatment Options in Eye Care
Students will understand advanced treatment options including surgical management and the importance of co-management.
Prerequisite: OPT 756; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 1 hr.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

OPT 854
Systemic Disease
This course provides instruction regarding the classification, epidemiology, anatomy, physiology, and pathology of eye-relevant systemic diseases as well as the critical understandings necessary for effective and proper diagnosis, treatment, and management of the various ocular conditions resulting from systemic disorders.
Prerequisites: OPT 712, 713; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

OPT 870C
Primary Care Clinic
Students will gain experience in primary care clinical settings, utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to develop differential diagnoses and clinical assessments. Students will learn to develop and articulate initial patient management strategies. Students will develop an understanding of clinical protocols, billing and coding, and compliance.
Prerequisites: OPT 751/751L; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 871C
Ocular Disease Clinic I
Students will gain experience in the diagnosis and treatment of ocular disease, utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to develop differential diagnoses and clinical assessments with initial and ongoing patient management strategies for a variety of ocular diseases. Students will develop an understanding of clinical protocols, billing and coding, and compliance.
Prerequisites: OPT 751, 751L, 753; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 872C
Contact Lens Clinic I
Students will gain experience in the fitting and assessment of contact lenses, utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to select contact lenses, evaluate the lens fit, and provide appropriate follow-up care. Students will develop an understanding of clinical protocols, billing and coding, compliance, and practice management issues related to contact lens care.
Prerequisites: OPT 751, 751L, 752, 752L; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 873C
Low Vision Clinic I
Students will gain experience in the examination and management of patients with visual impairment, utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to develop clinical assessments with patient management strategies for visual impairments. Students will develop communication skills including taking a medical and activities-of-daily-living history, patient education, and interdisciplinary referrals and reports.
Prerequisites: OPT 751, 751L, 754; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 874C
Community Health Clinic I
Students will gain experience in multidisciplinary community healthcare clinical settings, utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to develop differential diagnoses and clinical assessments. Students will learn to develop and articulate initial patient management strategies. Students will develop an understanding of clinical protocols, billing and coding, and compliance.
Prerequisites: OPT 751, 751L; experiential, 8 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

OPT 875C
Ocular Disease Clinic II
Students will gain experience in the diagnosis and treatment of ocular disease, utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to develop advanced testing strategies, differential diagnoses, clinical assessments, and patient management strategies for a variety of ocular diseases. Students will develop an understanding of clinical protocols, billing and coding, and compliance.
Prerequisites: OPT 751C; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

OPT 856C
Pediatric and Binocular Vision Clinic
Students will gain experience in the examination and treatment of children, utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to select appropriate testing to evaluate the binocular and accommodative systems of patients of all ages. Students will learn to develop differential diagnoses, assessments, and management strategies for pediatric ocular and visual anomalies.
Prerequisites: OPT 751, 751L, 755, 755L, 756; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

OPT 877C
Contact Lens Clinic II
Students will gain experience in the fitting and assessment of contact lenses, utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to select contact lenses, evaluate the lens fit, and provide appropriate follow-up care for routine and advanced contact lens fittings.
Prerequisite: OPT 872C; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

OPT 878C
Low Vision Clinic II
Students will gain experience in the examination and management of patients with visual impairment, utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to coordinate interdisciplinary rehabilitative care for the visually impaired patient. Students will develop clinical assessments with initial and ongoing patient management strategies for visual impairments.
Prerequisite: OPT 873C; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

OPT 879C
Community Health Clinic II
Students will gain experience in multidisciplinary community healthcare clinical settings, utilizing skills learned in the Clinical Optometry course sequence. Students will gain the ability to develop differential diagnoses and patient management strategies. Students will develop the ability to coordinate care with members of a multidisciplinary health and human service team.
Prerequisite: OPT 874C; experiential, 8 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

OPT 880C
Clinical Choice
Students will gain additional experience in a clinical setting of their choice, including primary care, community health, ocular disease, contact lens, pediatrics / binocular vision, and low vision. Students will gain further skills in the development of differential diagnoses, clinical assessment, and patient management in their chosen area. Students will develop an understanding of clinical protocols, billing and coding, and compliance.
Prerequisite: consent of instructor; experiential, 4 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

OPT 890
Ocular Nutrition
Students will learn about the importance of ocular nutrition, current supplements, contraindications, and usage. Students will review pertinent research on ocular nutrition and learn through case reports.
Prerequisites: OPT 751, 751L; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

OPT 891
Sports Vision
Students will learn about sports vision assessment and therapeutic management for various sports.
Prerequisites: OPT 751, 751L; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

OPT 899
Research / Independent Study
The course goals are to provide students with a better understanding of optometric research, research design, and research methodology. Students will analyze, develop, and reflect upon a research study chosen by the faculty with student input.
Prerequisite: OPT 691; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall, spring, summer.

OPT 950/950L
Interdisciplinary Capstone Experience
Students will perform case reviews on a piece-by-piece basis in an interprofessional team. Students will understand the roles of each healthcare professional within the team.
Prerequisites: OPT 751, 751L; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

OPT 951
Clinical Seminar
Students will perform case reviews on a piece-by-piece basis.
Prerequisites: OPT 751, 751L; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

OPT 952/952L
Interdisciplinary Capstone Experience
Students will perform case reviews on a piece-by-piece basis.
Prerequisites: OPT 751, 751L; class, 1 hr.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

OPT 970-976C
Interdisciplinary Capstone Experience
Clinical externship represents a full academic year of clinical rotations offered primarily at off-campus sites. All rotations are 12 weeks in duration. Students will gain experience in patient care in a variety of settings, including hospitals, community health centers, private practices, specialty clinics, and multidisciplinary settings.
Prerequisites: OPT 751, 751L; experiential, 40 hrs./wk. for 6 weeks; credit, 6 s.h./rotation; 42 s.h. total; summer.

OPT 999
Research / Independent Study
The course goals are to provide students with a better understanding of optometric research, research design, and research methodology. Students will analyze, develop, and reflect upon a research study chosen by the faculty with student input.
Prerequisites: OPT 691, 693; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

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PPW 330
Introduction to Pharmaceutical Care I
Introduces pharmacy practice. Topics for discussion include an introduction to prescriptions, law, pharmacy practice settings, patient counseling, major drug categories, parenterals, basic concepts of pharmaceutical care, basic calculations, and professionalism.
Prerequisite: admission to PharmD program; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

PPW 331
Introduction to Pharmaceutical Care II
The purpose of this course is to introduce the student to the various aspects and opportunities in pharmacy in addition to the concept of professionalism through lectures, discussion, written assessment, self-reflection, and experiential opportunities.
Prerequisites: PSW 350, PPW 330; class, 2 hrs.; self-instruction, 1 hr.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

PPW 333/333L
Introduction to Pharmaceutical Care III
Introduces the student to the basic aspects of pharmacy operations and pharmaceutical care in the institutional and community settings. Emphasizes the role of the pharmacist in relation to patient counseling, assessment of drug safety and efficacy, patient outcomes, and communication with other healthcare professionals.
Prerequisite: all required courses; class, 1 hr.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

PPW 335
Self-Care Therapeutics
This course will examine the principles and application of nonprescription medicine for self-treatable conditions. Utilizing a case-based approach, students will learn how to design an appropriate therapeutic plan. Emphasis will be placed on the role of the pharmacist in determining the appropriate use of nonprescription medications.
Prerequisites: successful completion of fall and spring semesters of P1 year; class, 4.5 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

PPW 340
U.S. Health Care and Public Health Systems
An overview of the complex issues, policies, controversies, and proposed solutions that surround the systems of healthcare delivery and public health in the United States.
Class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; fall.

PPW 343
Postgraduate Education Preparation
This course prepares students for postgraduate education and provides opportunities to practice and develop core skills required of pharmacy practice residents and fellows. Students will learn the differences between residency and fellowships and develop professional portfolios to correspond with their postgraduate training.
Co-requisites: concurrent enrollment in all required P2 courses and GPA ≥ 2.7; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; varies.

PPW 345
Pharmacy Ethics and Professionalism
Employing foundational principles and the ETHICS format, students will engage in case study discussions to better understand the components of the pharmacy code of ethics and their implications for pharmacy practice. This course seeks to elaborate on points such as whether ethical practitioners are born or made and whether ethical practice is based on opinion or a systematic approach.
Co-requisite: concurrent enrollment in all required P1 courses; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.
PPW 346
Selected Topics in Community Pharmacy
This course will provide second-year pharmacy students with an introduction to specific topics in the rapidly developing area of community pharmacy practice. The course will introduce and emphasize the role of the community pharmacist in both daily community pharmacy operations and extended cognitive roles and responsibilities.
Prerequisite: PPW 401; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

PPW 352
Emergency Preparedness / Bioterrorism
Provides an overview of emergency management concepts and functions as well as an understanding of the various microorganisms used as agents of mass destruction. Students examine agent characteristics, vaccines, and therapeutic and prophylactic treatments.
Class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; varies.

PPW 353
Addressing the Health Literacy Challenge
A study of the nature and scope of the health literacy problem as it impacts the delivery of healthcare. Students, working individually or in teams, practice techniques for assessing health literacy skills and health information, and propose and present projects that address low health literacy.
Prerequisites: PPW 346, PSW 350; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; varies.

PPW 354
Emergency Medicine
Examines the pharmacotherapy of selected surgical, medical, psychiatric, and toxicologic emergencies. Students gain in-depth exposure to illnesses and injuries sustained by children and adults that necessitate emergency room care. Emphasizes optimizing medication-related outcomes in terms of appropriate therapy selection, patient education, safety and efficacy evaluation, and the determination of individual therapeutic endpoints.
Class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; varies.

PPW 355
Drug Interactions
This drug interactions elective will provide a general overview of the various types of drug interactions that commonly occur in clinical practice, outlining the major mechanisms of interaction and the major classifications of drugs. Discussions will focus on pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic drug interactions as well as interactions involving the biotransformation pathways. Patient case studies are used to help the student apply learned information in practice and to illustrate clinical evidence, mechanism, importance, and management of drug interactions.
Prerequisite: PPW 490; co-requisite: concurrent enrollment in all required courses; credit, 2 s.h.; varies.

PPW 362
Critical Care Medicine
Topics include a specific focus on diagnosis, treatment choices, monitoring parameters, and therapeutic outcomes in the critically ill adult patient. Students also will gain an in-depth understanding of the pharmacist’s role in the care of the critically ill patient.
Co-requisite: PPW 492; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring; Worcester only.

PPW 364/PSW 364A
Infectious Disease: Bugs and Drugs
This course is designed to provide an overview of infectious diseases and the concepts that are elementary to designing antibacterial pharmacotherapeutic plans. Emphasis is placed on infectious disease pathophysiology, epidemiology, bacterial susceptibility profiles, culture specimen collection techniques, antibacterial susceptibility testing, and bacterial resistance.
Class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

PPW 370
Directed Study
Individual study directed by a faculty member in an area of her or his expertise. Faculty-assisted instruction using existing or previously known data and information. Eligible students must have earned a cumulative minimum 2.7 grade point average and completed or be enrolled in all required courses consistent with their current academic standing.
Prerequisites: permission of instructor or school dean; credit varies. NOTE: Students are limited to 4 credits of Directed Study electives in the PharmD program.

PPW 371
Introduction to the Biopharmaceutical and Pharmaceutical Industry
An introduction to the industry with a focus on biopharmaceuticals. Students learn about clinical trial development, drug approval processes, pharmacovigilance, regulation, and patient safety, along with novel therapeutics including gene-based and stem cell–based therapies. Scientific, regulatory, policy, and ethical issues in the industry are explored.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer; Worcester only.

PPW 371Q.A
Medication Safety
This course will expose students to medication safety in a variety of settings. The purpose of the course is to apply tools and resources that will facilitate sound practice decisions and work habits that will optimize patient safety.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer; Worcester only.
PPW 372
**Medicine in the News**

Literature evaluation is essential to patient-specific pharmacotherapy. Pharmacists are the most accessible health professionals and require the background to put medical news into context by answering patient questions about current issues and their health. This course examines current medical topics from peer-reviewed literature and the news. The course challenges students to interpret and apply the findings in various scenarios. Reviews of current medical literature are emphasized to augment the core curriculum and reinforce the idea of journal reading as an important form of postgraduate continuing education.

*Prerequisite: Successful completion of first year; co-requisites: PPW 491, PSW 482; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; varies; Worcester only.*

PPW 373
**Oncology Pharmacy**

Introduces second-year PharmD students to oncology medications and selected therapeutic situations that may confront a practicing pharmacist. Topics include processing chemotherapy orders, management of chemotherapy side effects, management of febrile neutropenia, management of tumor lysis syndrome, stem cell transplants, herbals in oncology, drug interactions in oncology, cancer screening, targeted therapies, and development of anticancer drugs.

*Prerequisites: PPW 491, 494; PSW 481; co-requisites: PPW 492, PSW 483; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer; Worcester only.*

PPW 376
**OTC Applied Case Studies**

This course will examine the principles and application of over-the-counter (OTC) drug therapy in the treatment of common disease states. Emphasis will be placed on the role of the pharmacist in determining the appropriate use of OTC medications. Utilizing a case-based approach, students will learn how to select appropriate OTC drug regimens, monitor for the safe and efficacious use of drugs, determine therapeutic endpoints, and individualize OTC drug therapy.

*Prerequisite: PPW 490; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring; Worcester only.*

PPW 378
**Pharmacy Management and Outcomes Assessment**

Students are introduced to the concepts of management and decision making within the parameters of a business operation applicable to various practice sites. Further, the principles and tools of pharmacoeconomics and outcomes assessment that are commonly used to study the impact of pharmacy care services are presented.

*Prerequisites: PPW 340, PSW 360; class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 s.h.; spring.*

PPW 379
**Drug Literature Evaluation and Informatics in Health Care**

Introduces retrieval methods; evaluative techniques; and application of the various forms of primary, secondary, and tertiary medical and pharmacy literature. This course utilizes a student-centered approach; students actively develop the skills needed to apply the literature to pharmaceutical care issues. Additionally, an introduction to informatics and their use in pharmacy and healthcare systems will be provided.

*Prerequisite: PPW 330; co-requisite: PPW 331; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.*

PPW 401
**Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience (IPPE)—Community Pharmacy**

**Intermediate Experiential Rotation**

The IPPE community pharmacy rotation is designed for the pharmacy student to actively participate in a supervised program of pharmacy practice in a community pharmacy setting. Students will gain experience and confidence by applying their classroom and laboratory training to solve practice-related problems that arise through providing patient care services. The intermediate experiential rotation is designed for the pharmacy student to actively participate in a supervised program of pharmacy practice in a community or institutional setting. Students gain experience by applying their classroom and laboratory training in solving practice-related problems that arise through providing patient care services in a pharmacy practice setting. The student gains confidence and competence as he or she transitions from student to practitioner.

*Prerequisites: Successful completion of all P1 courses PPW 330, 331, 333, 379; PSW 315, 340, 360, 362; no elective or required course may be taken concurrently; experiential, 40 hrs./wk.; credit, 510 s.h.; 48-week rotation; fall.*

PPW 402
**Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience (IPPE)—Institutional Pharmacy**

The IPPE institutional pharmacy rotation is designed for the pharmacy student to actively participate in a supervised program of pharmacy practice in an institutional pharmacy setting. Students will gain experience and confidence by applying their classroom and laboratory training to solve practice-related problems that arise through providing patient care services.

*Prerequisites: Successful completion of all P1 courses; no elective or required course may be taken concurrently; experiential, 40 hrs./wk.; credit, 5 s.h.; 4-week rotation; fall.*

PPW 470
**Introduction to Advanced Pharmacy Practice I**

This course is designed to prepare the student for the Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience course sequence. Topics will include the intricacies of data retrieval and synthesis while providing a formal introduction to the mechanics of case
presentation through patient presentations and oral drug consultations.

Prerequisite: all required courses; experiential; seminar, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

PPW 471

Introduction to Advanced Pharmacy Practice II

Students will participate in classroom seminars covering topics including orientation to Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience (APPE) rotations. They will also participate in a leadership seminar and complete the APhA Immunization Certificate program.

Co-requisites: concurrent enrollment in all P2 courses; class, 3 hrs./wk. for 10 weeks; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

PPW 490, 491, 492

Pharmacotherapeutics I, II, and III

This sequence of courses examines the principles and application of rational drug therapy in the treatment of the common disease states. Utilizing a case-based approach, students learn how to select appropriate drug regimens based on patient-specific data and pharmacokinetic principles of specific drugs and disease states, monitor for the safe and efficacious use of drugs, determine therapeutic endpoints, and individualize drug therapy.

Prerequisites: all required courses; co-requisites: PSW 481, 482, 483; credit, 4 s.h., 8 s.h., 6 s.h., respectively; fall, spring, summer, respectively.

PPW 494

Clinical Assessment

This course introduces the student to various physical assessment techniques and clinical laboratory parameters used to monitor the safe and efficacious utilization of medications. The fall semester of this course provides the student with background didactic information necessary for assessment of disease states in adult and pediatric patients, allowing further application in a hands-on laboratory setting in the spring.

Prerequisites: all required courses; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

PPW 495

Clinical Assessment Laboratory

This laboratory course provides a hands-on, systems-based application of clinical assessment techniques and medication therapy management concepts. Students will utilize these techniques to assess a patient’s need for pharmacotherapy as well as monitor therapeutic outcomes and adverse events.

Prerequisites: all required courses; laboratory, 3 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

PPWC 500

Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience I: Internal Medicine I

The student participates in a six-week advanced clinical rotation in internal medicine. During this experience, the student identifies and solves actual drug-related problems of patients by applying and reinforcing the knowledge learned in the previous didactic and experiential phases of the curriculum. The student develops the ability to assimilate pertinent data using a variety of sources and methods used in the provision of pharmaceutical care. The student also enhances communication skills by interacting with healthcare professionals, patients, and other students.

Prerequisites: successful completion of Years 1 and 2; experiential, 6 s.h.; varies.

PPWC 501

Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience II: Ambulatory Care

The student participates in a six-week advanced clinical rotation in ambulatory care. During this experience, the student identifies and solves actual drug-related problems of patients by applying and reinforcing the knowledge learned in the previous didactic and experiential phases of the curriculum. The student develops the ability to assimilate pertinent data using a variety of sources and methods used in the provision of pharmaceutical care. The student also enhances communication skills by interacting with healthcare professionals, patients, and other students.

Prerequisites: successful completion of Years 1 and 2; experiential, 6 s.h.; varies.

PPWC 502

Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience III: Institutional Pharmacy

The student participates in a six-week advanced clinical rotation in advanced institutional pharmacy practice. During this experience, the student identifies and solves actual drug-related problems of patients by applying and reinforcing the knowledge learned in the previous didactic and experiential phases of the curriculum. The student develops the ability to assimilate pertinent data using a variety of sources and methods used in the provision of pharmaceutical care. The student also enhances communication skills by interacting with healthcare professionals, patients, and other students. The student also is required to provide two hours of pharmacy operations experience to the institutional site. This includes activities related to pharmaceutical distribution and dispensing, and other appropriate assignments.

Prerequisites: successful completion of Years 1 and 2; experiential, 6 s.h.; varies.

PPWC 503

Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience IV: Community Pharmacy

The student participates in a six-week advanced clinical rotation in advanced community pharmacy practice. During this experience, the student identifies and solves actual drug-related problems of patients by applying and reinforcing the
knowledge learned in the previous didactic and experiential phases of the curriculum. The student develops the ability to assimilate pertinent data using a variety of sources and methods used in the provision of pharmaceutical care. The student also enhances communication skills by interacting with healthcare professionals, patients, and other students. The student also is required to provide two hours of pharmacy operations experience to the community site. This includes activities related to pharmaceutical distribution and dispensing, and other appropriate assignments.

Prerequisites: successful completion of Years 1 and 2; experiential, 6 s.h.; varies.

**PPWC 504, 505**
Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience V, VI: Elective Rotations
An advanced pharmacy practice elective that provides students with experience in any one of the related fields of pharmacy. These may include a pharmaceutical company, specialty areas such as psychiatry or oncology, clinical research, drug information, or pharmacy management.

Prerequisites: successful completion of Years 1 and 2; experiential, 6 s.h.; varies.

**PPW 550**
Graduation Poster Presentation
Graduation Poster Presentation is a required, 1-credit course offered during the senior year of pharmacy school while students are involved in the advanced pharmacy practice experience (APPE). Students identify relevant topics or therapeutic matters related to pharmacy. Each student creates a poster discussing that pharmacotherapeutic matter with the support and approval of a faculty preceptor. The culmination of the course is students’ presenting their posters at the Poster Forum to faculty, staff, and peers. Exemplary posters will be considered for an award to be given during the awards ceremony held at graduation.

Prerequisites: successful completion of Years 1 and 2; co-requisites: PPW 500, 501, 502, 504; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; varies.

**PSW 300**
Biochemistry I
A study of the structure, physical/chemical properties, function, and interactions of molecules found in biological systems: amino acids, peptides, and proteins; nucleotides and nucleic acids; carbohydrates; lipids; and hybrid molecules.

Class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

**PSW 301**
Biochemistry II / Nutrition
The course covers the metabolism of molecules found in biological systems, energy storage and utilization, and molecular biosynthesis and its regulation; the storage, use, and replication of genetic information; and an overview of human nutrition, including standards and guidelines, weight control, and food-drug interactions.

Prerequisite: PSW 300; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 i.h.; spring.

**PSW 311**
Pharmaceutics
Introduction to drug delivery systems and the physical and chemical properties of drugs that can be applied to pharmacy practice.

Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 i.h.; fall.

**PSW 312/312L**
Pharmaceutics II
Calculations required to determine the correct dosage of medication based on individual patient needs and characteristics as well as quantities of ingredients necessary to prepare extemporaneously compounded prescriptions are taught in this course. Students will learn to use pharmaceutical equipment and supplies to prepare a variety of solid and liquid dosage forms and injectable medications in the weekly laboratory exercise.

Prerequisite: PSW 311; class, 1.5 hrs.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 i.h.; spring.

**PSW 313**
Pharmacokinetics/Biopharmaceutics
Students will be introduced to the principles of biopharmaceutics and pharmacokinetics, and how they affect dosage regimen design and therapeutic efficacy evaluations. The impact of the physical and chemical nature of drugs and dosage forms will be studied as they relate to drug absorption, distribution, metabolism, and elimination.

Prerequisite: PSW 311; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 i.h.; spring.

**PSW 320**
Human Physiology and Pathophysiology I
Study of basic principles of human physiology and the pathophysiological basis of disease in humans. The course focuses on the comparative study of functions of organ systems and their relationship to the etiology, pathogenesis, and clinical manifestation of diseases in humans. Emphasis is on the fundamentals of cell structure and function, genetics, the autonomic and central nervous systems, muscles and motor function, the endocrine system, the hematopoietic system, the immune system, the gastrointestinal system, and the pathology of infectious disease.

Class, 4 hrs.; credit, 4 i.h.; fall.

**PSW 322**
Human Physiology and Pathophysiology II
This course is in sequence to course PSW 320. The course focuses on the comparative study of functions of organ systems and their relationship to the etiology, pathogenesis, and clinical
manifestation of diseases in humans, with particular emphasis on the cardiovascular system, reproductive system, respiratory system, urinary system, and kidneys. Successful completion of this course requires integration of the physiological and pathophysiological core concepts of cellular, neuronal, hematopoietic, and endocrine systems covered in PSW 320. Prerequisites: PSW 300, 301, 320, 323, 340; class, 4.5 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

PSW 323 Immunology
The course is designed to prepare students to meet the daily requirements of a practicing pharmacist in understanding the immunological consequences of the drugs they will administer. At the end of this course, the student will understand how the immune system functions and how it responds to regulate physiological homeostasis in the presence of infectious disease, autoimmune disease, allergies, transplantation, and cancer. The student will be able to apply this knowledge to pharmaceuticals that target immune system dysfunction. Prerequisite: PSW 320; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

PSW 350 Service Learning
An introduction to the concepts and practice of service, care, and responsibility. Students perform community service and meet in seminars to discuss the work they are doing, thus combining and integrating service and learning. Class, 1 hr.; fieldwork, 2 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; fall.

PSW 351 Nanobiotechnology
This course provides an introduction to the principles and applications of nanotechnology with emphasis on its applications in medicine. It introduces the scientific principles relevant at the nanoscale dimension and provides the student with the tools necessary to understand the field. This course will focus on cancer as an example of a disease that is targeted with nanosystems for detection and therapy. Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

PSW 352 Medicinal Chemistry Research
Students use the skills learned in previous organic chemistry laboratories and apply them to an original project in the field of breast cancer research. Each student synthesizes one novel compound using multistep organic synthesis. Prerequisites: consent of instructor, completion of P1 courses, and PSW 481; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; varies.

PSW 355 Directed Study
Individual study directed by a faculty member in an area of her or his expertise. Faculty-assisted instruction using existing or previously known data and information. Eligible students must have earned a cumulative minimum 2.7 grade point average and completed or be enrolled in all required courses consistent with their current academic standing. Prerequisite: consent of instructor; credit, 2 s.h.; spring, summer. NOTE: Students are limited to 4 credits of Directed Study electives in the PharmD program.

PSW 360 Pharmacy Law
This course introduces the student to the state and federal regulations that govern the practice of pharmacy. Topics include but are not limited to the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act; the Controlled Substances Act; the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act; the Poison Prevention Act; and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, as well as specific state rules and regulations. Class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

PSW 364 Infectious Disease: Bugs and Drugs
This course is designed to provide an overview of infectious diseases and the concepts that are elementary to designing antibacterial pharmacotherapeutic plans. Emphasis is placed on infectious disease pathophysiology, epidemiology, bacterial susceptibility profiles, culture specimen collection techniques, antibacterial susceptibility testing, and bacterial resistance. Prerequisites: PSW 320, 322, 380, 481; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

PSW 365 Medical Myth Busters: Evidence-Based Approach
When interacting with patients and customers, pharmacists are often asked their opinions about nontraditional, nonprescription remedies and treatments. This course is designed to provide information about some of these commonly asked questions and about these remedies. Students will learn how to examine the scientific evidence for and against the efficacy, safety, and mechanism(s) of action (if any) of various purported therapies and how to present this information to their customers and patients. Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

PSW 367 Doping: Performance-Enhancing Drugs
This course is designed to provide information about commonly used and abused performance-enhancing drugs. Students will develop an understanding of where to find and how to examine evidence about the mechanism(s) of action, physiological effects, and adverse consequences of these drugs, and where to find information about the agencies charged with tracking and testing for them. Prerequisites: PSW 320, 322, 380, 481; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.
PSW 371
Research Project
Independent research directed by a faculty member in an area of her or his expertise. The student’s work will generate new data or knowledge or apply significantly new methodologies to analyze previously published data. Eligible students must have earned a cumulative minimum 2.7 grade point average and completed or be enrolled in all required courses consistent with their current academic standing.
Prerequisite: consent of instructor; credit, 1–2 s.h.

PSW 373
Pharmacogenomics: An Introduction to Personalized Medicine
Introductory study of pharmacogenomics and the factors responsible for differing responses of different individuals to specific drug therapy. Includes analyses of polymorphisms and their implications for pharmacotherapy.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

PSW 374
Advanced Pharmacy Preparation Lab
Compounding unique dosage forms to accommodate patient (human and animal) needs has become a popular niche market in independent community pharmacies. This course teaches students how to assess patient needs and to prepare these commercially unavailable products. In the laboratory, students learn to use specialized equipment designed specifically to aid in the preparation of a variety of dosage forms.
Prerequisite: PSW 314; class, 1 hr.; lab, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; varies.

PSW 375
History, Pathophysiology, and Treatment of HIV/AIDS
This course is designed to provide an in-depth understanding of infectious diseases of relevance to practicing pharmacists, HIV/AIDS and the opportunistic infections associated with it. Students will develop a detailed understanding of the history, transmission, pathophysiology, diagnosis, treatment, and outcomes of these specific diseases. Identification and management of these illnesses, including therapeutic and prophylactic treatments, will be discussed.
Class, 3 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

PSW 380
Basic Principles of Pharmacology, Toxicology, and Medicinal Chemistry
Prerequisites: PSW 301, 315, 320; class, 4.5 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

PSW 481
Pharmacology, Toxicology, and Medicinal Chemistry I
This course, along with PSW 482 and 483, involves a coordinated approach for learning structure-activity relationships, mechanism of drug action, and toxicity profiles for selected classes of drugs for common disease states. Emphasis is on drugs affecting the cardiovascular system and neurotransmission.
Prerequisite: successful completion of all first-year courses; co-requisite: PPW 490; class, 5 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

PSW 482
Pharmacology, Toxicology, and Medicinal Chemistry II
This course, along with PSW 481 and PSW 483, involves a coordinated approach for learning structure-activity relationships, mechanism of drug action, and toxicity profiles for selected classes of drugs for common disease states. Emphasis is on drugs used in the treatment of diseases of the cardiovascular system and central nervous system, and therapies for treatment of pain and inflammation.
Prerequisites: PSW 481 and PPW 490; co-requisite: PPW 491; class, 6 hrs.; credits, 6 s.h.; spring.

PSW 483
Pharmacology, Toxicology, and Medicinal Chemistry III
This course, along with PSW 481 and 482, involves a coordinated approach for learning structure-activity relationships, mechanism of drug action, and toxicity profiles for all the major classes of drugs for common disease states. Emphasis is on drugs used in the treatment of infectious diseases and cancer.
Prerequisites: PSW 482 and PPW 491; co-requisite: PPW 492; class, 4.5 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

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PTH 501
PT as a Profession
Students learn the history of the profession, scope of practice, and how to apply the core values of the APTA to professional practice expectations. They will attain an understanding of the role of the physical therapist in primary, secondary, and tertiary care and prevention. This course will include ethics and professionalism, communication, cultural competence, and the role of the physical therapist as an educator.
Prerequisite: DPT student; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.
PTH 510
Foundations of PT Management I
This course is designed to provide a basic practical understanding of patient management skills used in physical therapy practice, including infection control, the use of a medical record and documentation, oral and written communication, vital signs, body mechanics, transfer techniques, range-of-motion exercises, guarding techniques for patient ambulation, and the measurement of assistive devices. 
Prerequisite: DPT student; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PTH 515
Foundations of PT Management II
Topics include the anatomical and physiological responses to applied physical agent modalities, including the appropriate selection and application of these modalities to meet specific patient needs. Students will have the opportunity to become competent in the selection, application, and proper documentation of commonly used electrotherapeutic modalities, thermal agents, and hydrotherapy applications. Theories underlying these patient interventions are explored in detail. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I fall semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PTH 520
Clinical Medicine and Pathology I
Students will acquire foundational knowledge of the pathological processes of major body systems. General medicine, laboratory medicine, and pathophysiology as related to patient conditions that impact physical therapy management will be addressed. This first course will focus on the cardiopulmonary and integumentary practice patterns. 
Prerequisite: DPT student; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

PTH 525
Clinical Medicine and Pathology II
Students will acquire foundational knowledge of the pathological processes of major body systems. General medicine, laboratory medicine, and pathophysiology as related to patient conditions that impact physical therapy management will be addressed. This second course will focus on the musculoskeletal and neurological practice patterns. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I fall semester; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PTH 530
Clinical Human Anatomy I
Students will learn normal anatomy, function, and pathology with emphasis on the skeletal, articular, and muscular systems. In this first course, students will focus on upper-body anatomy. Students will use a regional approach to study surface anatomy, range of motion, and clinical palpation. In the laboratory experience, students will study human anatomy preparations and anatomy models. 
Prerequisite: DPT student; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

PTH 535
Clinical Human Anatomy II
Students will learn normal anatomy, function, and pathology with emphasis on the skeletal, articular, and muscular systems. In this second course, students will focus on lower-body anatomy. Students will use a regional approach to study surface anatomy, joint range of motion, and clinical palpation. In the laboratory experience, students will study human anatomy preparations and anatomy models. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I fall semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PTH 540
Evidence for PT Practice I
Students are introduced to the foundation of scientific inquiry in physical therapy, including library search methods, establishment of research questions, research methods, research ethics, and AMA format. 
Prerequisite: DPT student; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

PTH 545
Evidence for PT Practice II
Students are introduced to the concepts of scientific inquiry as related to clinical practice and clinical outcomes. Students use current PT literature to explore the use of best research evidence and outcomes measurement, applying critical appraisal techniques. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I fall semester; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

PTH 550
Pharmacology
Students are introduced to the basic principles of pharmacology, including pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics. The pharmacology of drug classes used in the management of disorders of the nervous, musculoskeletal, cardiovascular, respiratory, pain, integumentary, and endocrine systems, as well as infectious and neoplastic diseases, will be addressed. Emphasis will be placed on how pharmacology interacts with physical rehabilitation. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I fall semester; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

PTH 552
PT in the Acute Care Environment
This course is designed to prepare physical therapy students to safely manage patients in acute and critical care settings. The course will focus on integrative analysis of multiple disease processes (spanning all practice patterns: musculoskeletal,
neuromuscular, cardiovascular, pulmonary, and integumentary) and their respective medical and surgical management that is relevant to physical therapy management. 

**Prerequisite:** DPT student; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**PTH 554**  
**Lifespan Motor Control**  
The course will examine neural, behavioral, and physical mechanisms that contribute to the control of movement in humans (motor control) over the lifespan. The focus will be on motor control in healthy persons across the lifespan. The course also will examine factors that influence the learning of new motor skills (motor learning) as a result of practice and/or experience.  

**Prerequisite:** successful completion of DPT Year I spring semester; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

**PTH 556**  
**Human Gait**  
This course will cover the examination, evaluation, and beginning treatment interventions for human gait and balance. The focus will be on gait analysis and will include standardized measures. Students will explore control mechanisms, including pattern generators, motor and sensory mechanisms, cognitive systems, and nonneural contributions to locomotion. Task-oriented mobility interventions such as body weight support treadmill training will be introduced.  

**Prerequisite:** successful completion of DPT Year I spring semester; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

**PTH 558**  
**Clinical Kinesiology**  
This course is designed to study normal movement through the analysis of muscle and joint function. Emphasis will be placed on the analysis of major joints and regions of the body. The laboratory portion of this course is designed to provide the student with the clinical skills of goniometry and manual muscle testing to assess joint mobility and muscle performance.  

**Prerequisite:** successful completion of DPT Year I spring semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

**PTH 560**  
**Standardized Measurement in PT Practice**  
Students will learn information about measurement in physical therapy. Topics to be covered include measurement levels, reliability, validity, sensitivity, and specificity of standardized measurements in physical therapy. Specific measurement tools at different levels of the ICF will be covered across the four practice patterns.  

**Prerequisite:** successful completion of DPT Year I fall semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 565**  
**PT Cardiopulmonary Patient Management**  
This course covers physical therapy management of patients needing cardiovascular and pulmonary care. The laboratory component presents examination skills and clinical applications of physical therapy intervention. The lecture part of the course includes the etiology, pathology, and prognosis of common cardiopulmonary conditions. Medical, surgical, and physical therapy management for these conditions will be addressed in both lecture and laboratory sessions.  

**Prerequisite:** successful completion of DPT Year I spring semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

**PTH 570**  
**Integrated Clinical Education I**  
This first course provides students with opportunities to synthesize and integrate content from concurrent courses to patient encounters in clinical settings. The focus of this course will be professional communication and behavior, and the application of clinical skills learned in concurrent courses. This is accomplished through seminars, reflection, service learning, learning activities, case studies, and observation.  

**Prerequisite:** DPT student; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

**PTH 575**  
**Integrated Clinical Education II**  
This second course provides students with opportunities to synthesize and integrate content from concurrent and previous courses to patient encounters in clinical settings. The focus of this course will be professional communication and behavior, and the application of clinical skills learned in concurrent and previous courses. This is accomplished through seminars, reflection, service learning, learning activities, case studies, and observation.  

**Prerequisite:** successful completion of DPT Year I fall semester; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 580**  
**Professional Issues in PT Practice I**  
Students will learn about the roles and responsibilities of a physical therapist within the healthcare system. Methods of healthcare delivery and issues of access, availability, and financial coverage will be examined.  

**Prerequisite:** successful completion of DPT Year I spring semester; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; summer.

**PTH 601**  
**Clinical Imaging**  
This course will introduce students to diagnostic imaging principles and techniques as applied to physical therapy assessment and management. The course will emphasize radiographic anatomy, common normal variants, and pathological and traumatic conditions. In addition to standard
radiographic techniques, other imaging techniques, such as CT scan, nuclear medicine, angiography, magnetic resonance imaging, and ultrasound imaging, will be addressed. 

Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I summer semester; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

**PTH 610**
**Musculoskeletal Patient Management I**
Students learn the etiology and pathology of common orthopedic disorders of the lower extremities. Medical, surgical, and physical therapy management will be discussed. Students learn the theoretical basis and clinical application of examination, assessment, diagnosis, prognosis, and intervention for conditions that are commonly encountered by physical therapists. In the lab portion of this course, students learn examination skills, differential diagnosis, and clinical application of intervention approaches for selected musculoskeletal conditions.

Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I summer semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**PTH 615**
**Musculoskeletal Patient Management II**
Students learn the etiology and pathology of common orthopedic disorders of the upper extremities. Medical, surgical, and physical therapy management will be discussed. Students learn the theoretical basis and clinical application of examination, assessment, diagnosis, prognosis, and intervention for conditions that are commonly encountered by physical therapists. In the lab portion of this course, students learn examination skills, differential diagnosis, and clinical application of intervention approaches for selected musculoskeletal conditions.

Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II fall semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 620**
**Musculoskeletal Patient Management III**
Students learn the etiology and pathology of common orthopedic disorders of the spine. Medical, surgical, and physical therapy management will be discussed. Students learn the theoretical basis and clinical application of examination, assessment, diagnosis, prognosis, and intervention for conditions that are commonly encountered by physical therapists. In the lab portion of this course, students learn examination skills, differential diagnosis, and clinical application of intervention approaches for selected musculoskeletal conditions.

Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II spring semester; class, 1 hr.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

**PTH 630**
**Neuromuscular Patient Management I**
This course covers the foundations of the physical therapy examination and evaluation, and an introduction to interventions with patients with neurological deficits. The laboratory component presents examination skills and clinical applications of integrated intervention approaches. The lecture part of the course includes the etiology, pathology, and physical therapy management of adult nonprogressive disorders that affect the central nervous system.

Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II fall semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 635**
**Neuromuscular Patient Management II**
This course builds upon skills learned in Neuromuscular Patient Management I and focuses on the application and critical analysis of evidenced-based treatment approaches. The lecture part of the course includes the etiology, pathology, and physical therapy management of adult progressive disorders that affect the central nervous system as well as nonprogressive disorders of the spinal cord and peripheral nervous system.

Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II spring semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

**PTH 640**
**Evidence for PT Practice III**
In a small group, students develop a proposal for a supervised investigation and begin supervised work with a faculty research advisor. Ongoing work includes critical appraisal of related literature. This course is constructed as an independent study in which students are required to arrange meetings, mini lectures, and/or one-on-one tutoring sessions with the assigned research advisor.

Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I summer semester; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

**PTH 645**
**Evidence for PT Practice IV**
In a small group, students continue a supervised investigation and supervised work with a faculty advisor on a predetermined topic from the prior semester’s work. This course is constructed as an independent study in which students are required to arrange meetings, mini lectures, and/or one-on-one tutoring sessions with the assigned research advisor.

Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II fall semester; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 650**
**Therapeutic Exercise**
Students will focus on the role of therapeutic exercise as an intervention utilized by physical therapists. Students will become skilled in exercise prescription and execution of exercise to address impairments, functional limitations, and disabilities seen across the lifespan. The role of exercise as a tool in prevention programs as well as with patients on bed rest is explored.
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I summer semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**PTH 652**
**Neuroscience**
Students learn basic neuroanatomy and neurophysiology with an emphasis on issues that have clinical relevance to physical therapy rehabilitation. Emphasis will be placed on developing an understanding of human performance and motor control. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I summer semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**PTH 654**
**Orthotics and Prosthetics**
This course includes theory, current clinical practices, and an opportunity for practicing management techniques related to environmental adaptations and assistive technology, including prosthetics, orthotics, seating, and mobility. Examination and implementation of physical therapy interventions in the management of patients requiring assistive technology is explored through lectures and a lab. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I, summer semester; class, 2 hrs.; lab, 2 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; fall.

**PTH 656**
**PT Management for the Geriatric Patient**
This course provides a survey of geriatric concerns relating to each of the body systems. The changes normally expected with aging are contrasted with pathological changes. Emphasis of this course will be on screening, examination, evaluation, and intervention when working with the older adult. Nutrition, pharmacology, and health promotion and wellness also will be addressed. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II fall semester; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 658**
**PT Management for the Pediatric Patient**
This course provides a survey of pediatric concerns relating to each of the body systems and the corresponding physical therapy management of the child, from the newborn period through adolescence. Emphasis is on development, including motor patterns, sensory integration, and oral-motor skills; setting-specific considerations; health promotion and wellness for children with and without disabilities; and family-therapist collaboration and communication. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II fall semester; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 660**
**Professional Issues in PT Practice II**
Physical therapy students continue to examine issues related to the role and responsibilities of the physical therapist in professional practice. Effective communication, cultural competency, ethical and moral decision making, leadership, delegation, supervision, and other professionalism issues are covered. The guiding documents of the APTA are used as tools for this course. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II fall semester; seminar, 2 hrs.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 665**
**Professional Issues in PT Practice III**
Students will learn the basic concepts and principles of management as they apply to the administration and direction of physical therapy services. Included are development planning and design, fiscal management, principles of supervision, legal issues, and quality assurance. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II spring semester; class, 3 hrs.; credit, 3 s.h.; summer.

**PTH 670**
**Integrated Clinical Education III**
This third course provides students with opportunities to synthesize and integrate content from concurrent and previous courses and apply it to patient encounters in clinical settings. The focus of this course will be professional communication and behavior as well as the application of clinical skills learned in concurrent and previous courses. This is accomplished through seminars, reflection, learning activities, case studies, and observation. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year I summer semester; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; fall.

**PTH 675**
**Integrated Clinical Education IV**
This fourth course provides students with opportunities to synthesize and integrate content from concurrent and previous courses and apply it to patient encounters in clinical settings. The focus of this course will be professional communication and behavior as well as the application of clinical skills learned in concurrent and previous courses. This is accomplished through seminars, reflection, learning activities, case studies, and observation. 
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II fall semester; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 680**
**Integrated Clinical Education**
This fifth course provides students with opportunities to synthesize and integrate content from concurrent and previous courses and apply it to patient encounters in clinical settings. The focus of this course will be professional communication and behavior as well as the application of clinical skills learned in concurrent and previous courses. This is accomplished through seminars, reflection, learning activities, case studies, and observation.
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II spring semester; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; summer.

**PTH 685 Directed Study for Physical Therapy**
This course is organized as an individual study and directed by a faculty member from the School of Physical Therapy. Student learning involves self-instruction and/or faculty-assisted instruction using existing or previously known knowledge.
Prerequisite: approval of PT faculty member and school dean; variable credit of 1–3 s.h.; varies.

**PTHC 700 Clinical Education Experience I**
This course is the first 10-week full-time clinical education experience, conducted in a variety of clinical settings. Students will be provided with opportunities to apply skills previously learned in the DPT curriculum. Students will work under the supervision and guidance of a licensed physical therapist to develop competency in the management of patients with a variety of diagnoses.
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year II summer semester; experiential, 40 hrs. per week; credit, 8 s.h.; fall.

**PTHC 710 Clinical Education Experience II**
This course is the second 10-week full-time clinical education experience, conducted in a variety of clinical settings. Students will be provided with opportunities to apply skills previously learned in the DPT curriculum. Students will work under the supervision and guidance of a licensed physical therapist to develop competency in the management of patients with a variety of diagnoses.
Prerequisite: PTHC 700; experiential, 40 hrs. per week; credit, 8 s.h.; fall.

**PTHC 720 Clinical Education Experience III**
This course is the third 10-week full-time clinical education experience, conducted in a variety of clinical settings. Students will be provided with opportunities to apply skills previously learned in the DPT curriculum. Students will work under the supervision and guidance of a licensed physical therapist to develop competency in the management of patients with a variety of diagnoses.
Prerequisite: PTHC 710; experiential, 40 hrs. per week; credit, 8 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 800 Clinical Education Seminar**
Students will participate in this capstone seminar designed to review and discuss the experiences, including those related to professionalism and practice, encountered during clinical education. Students will prepare to begin their career as an entry-level practitioner and for their future roles of consultant, community health educator, mentor, advocate, clinical instructor, and lifelong learner.
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year III fall and PTH 720; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 810 Evidence for PT Practice**
In a small group, students conduct a supervised investigation of a selected problem related to the field of physical therapy. Student groups develop a formal research proposal and organize, analyze, and present data and findings from the investigation. Presentation of the findings is done in written form, poster presentation, and podium presentation to faculty, peers, and clinicians.
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year III fall semester and PTHC 700, 710, 720; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 820 Current Topics in PT Practice**
Students will explore current topics in physical therapy related to niche practices in the continually evolving field of physical therapy. As a part of this seminar, students will conduct a comprehensive review of the literature pertinent to a current topic and prepare a presentation incorporating evidence-based practice utilizing an actual or fabricated patient case.
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year III, fall semester; class, 2 hrs.; credit, 2 s.h.; spring.

**PTH 830 Professional Issues in PT Practice IV**
Students will prepare for entry to professional work in physical therapy with the development and negotiation skills for job searching. Licensure preparation also will be addressed.
Prerequisite: successful completion of DPT Year III fall semester; class, 1 hr.; credit, 1 s.h.; spring.
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Calendar: All Campuses

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August 2013
2 Last day of 12-week classes
5–9 Final exams for 12-week classes
8–10 Post-BS Pharmacy PharmD Pathway Orientation
12 Summer break—NUR and PA (W/M) (8/12–8/30)
27 Residence hall opens for new students (W)
28 Residence hall opens for new students (B)
Nursing Orientation (W/M)
Optometry Orientation (W/M) (8/28–8/29)
New student welcome (B) (8/28–9/2)
29 PharmD and Physical Therapy Orientation (W/M) (8/29–8/30)
30 Transfer student Orientation (B)
31 Post-BS Pharmacy PharmD Pathway fall session begins

September 2013
2 Labor Day holiday
3 Fall classes begin (all campuses)
Add / drop / late registration (9/3–9/5)
5 Add / drop / late registration deadline
15 September graduation date
20 Summer session incomplete / grade change deadline

October 2013
14 Columbus Day (no classes)
16 Spring preregistration (10/16–11/1) (B)
21 Spring preregistration (10/21–10/25) (W/M)

November 2013
8 Last day to withdraw from fall classes
11 Veterans’ Day (observed—no classes)
12 COF spring preregistration (11/12–11/15) (B)
27–29 Thanksgiving recess (no classes)

December 2013
2 Classes resume
7 Last day of fall classes
9–13 Final exams (make-up day 12/14)
13 Residence hall closes (6 p.m.) (B)
14 Commencement (M) Date subject to change
16 Winter graduation date
16 Semester break (12/16–1/12)

January 2014
4 Post-BS Pharmacy PharmD Pathway spring session begins
9 Residence hall opens for new students (W)
10 PA Orientation (W/M)
12 Nursing Orientation (W/M)
13 Residence hall reopens (B)
13 Spring classes begin (all campuses)
Add / drop / late registration (1/13–1/15)
15 Add / drop / late registration deadline
20 Martin Luther King holiday (no classes)
31 Fall semester incomplete / grade change deadline

February 2014
17 President’s Day (no classes)
### March 2014
- **7** Residence hall closes (6 p.m.) (B)
- **10** Spring break (3/10–3/14) Dates subject to change
- **15** Financial aid priority deadline
- **17** Classes resume
- **19** Fall/summer preregistration (3/17–3/28) (B)
- **24** Fall/summer preregistration (3/24–3/28) (W/M)
- **28** Last day to withdraw from spring classes

### April 2014
- **7–11** COF fall/summer preregistration (B)
- **21** Patriots’ Day (no classes)
- **26** Last day of spring classes
- **28–5/2** Final exams (make-up day 5/3)

### May 2014
- **2** Residence hall closes (6 p.m.) (B)
- **10** Post-BS Pharmacy PharmD Pathway summer session begins
- **10** Commencement Dates subject to change
- **12** Summer session I classes begin (B)
- **12** Summer 10-week session begins (B/W/M)
- **12–14** Summer 12-week session begins—NUR and PA (W/M)
- **12–14** Add / drop / late registration (B/W/M)
- **14** Summer session add / drop / late registration deadline (4:30 p.m.) (B/W/M)
- **26** Memorial Day observed (no classes)
- **30** Last day to withdraw from summer session I classes (B) and 10-/12-week classes (B/W/M) Spring incomplete / grade change deadline

### June 2014
- **13** Summer session I ends (B)
- **16** Summer session II classes begin (B)
- **16–17** Add / drop / late registration summer session II (B)
- **17** Add / drop / late registration deadline (4:30 p.m.) (B)

### July 2014
- **3–4** Independence Day recess (no classes)
- **7** Last day to withdraw from summer session II
- **18** Summer session II and 10-week classes end (B/W/M)
- **21–25** Final exams for 10-week PharmD and PT classes (W/M)

### August 2014
- **1** Last day of 12-week classes
- **4-8** Final exams for 12-week classes
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