Program of Study
The Health Services Management bachelor's degree includes concentrations in Long Term Care Administration, Private Sector Health Services Management (hospitals, physician practices, managed care organizations, etc.), and Public Health Services Management. The major in Health Services Management helps students develop the knowledge, skills, and competencies for effective management and leadership in the working environment. Through courses in Public Health and Health Services Management, Accounting, Economics, Finance, and Management, students are equipped with an understanding of the administrative structure, operations, management, and policies of the healthcare industry. Majors complete their training in Health Services Management with a professional internship during their final academic term. The department also offers majors in Emergency Management; Public Health, with two areas of concentration—Community Health Education and Environmental and Occupational Safety; and Social Work. Minors are offered in Emergency Management and Occupational Safety. It also participates in interdisciplinary programs with Women's Studies.

Our Emergency Medical Technician's Training courses are designed to improve proper emergency care to victims of trauma or sudden illness. Those in the medical field are encouraged and often required to obtain such training. Satisfactory completion results in eligibility to take the EMT state certification examination. The focus is on application in the health field.

Faculty
Department of Health Sciences and Social Work courses are taught by faculty holding doctoral and graduate degrees from distinguished universities across the United States such as

- Indiana University–Bloomington
- Johns Hopkins University
- Michigan State University
- Oklahoma State University
- Oregon State University
- Penn State University
- Southern Illinois University–Carbondale
- University of New Mexico
- The University of Toledo
- Virginia Tech

Faculty are dedicated educators, seeking to foster active student participation, and active scholars with numerous published articles and scholarly presentations.

Scholarships
The department offers four scholarships for majors. All are named after distinguished former faculty members in the department: the Willis and Rosemary Zorn Scholarship for demonstration of commitment to self-education; the W. I. Taylor Memorial Scholarship for achievement in professional development; the V. F. Lowell Award for undergraduate professionalism in health sciences; and the John H. and Mary M. Leach Scholarship, which is awarded in even years to an incoming freshman. Detailed information on scholarships is available from the department advising office, (309) 298-1438; the University’s Scholarship office, (309) 298-2001; or on the Web at wiu.edu/coehs/health_sciences/scholarships/undergrad_scholarships.php.
Honors in Health Services Management
To be eligible for the Centennial Honors College, entering freshmen must have an ACT composite score of at least 28 OR have a 26 or 27 composite ACT and be in the top 15% of their graduating class OR have an ACT composite score of at least 24 and be in the top 10% of their high school graduating class. A comparable SAT score is acceptable. Transfer and current WIU students who wish to join the Centennial Honors College (including the Quad Cities Honors Program) must have a 3.4 grade point average on a 4.0 scale based on 12 or more semester hours. Honors credit is given for honors coursework completed at other accredited institutions. To find out more, visit wiu.edu/Honors.

General honors seminars in the humanities, sciences, and social sciences provide students with the opportunity to explore key academic issues with distinguished faculty members. In the Health Services Management major, honors students take courses for honors credit and, as seniors, prepare an honors thesis under the direction of a department faculty member.

Student Activities
Eta Sigma Gamma is the National Professional Health Education Honorary. Pi Chapter has been honored four times by the Eta Sigma Gamma national office as the outstanding national chapter. Five Pi Chapter students received national Gamman of the Year honors. The department also has a new student organization for future healthcare professionals. There are also a wide variety of student activities and organizations available to all WIU students. Learn more at http://osa.wiu.edu.

For More Information
Contact the Department of Health Sciences and Social Work Chair at HealthSciences@wiu.edu or (309) 298-1076, or e-mail the adviser at SE-Dorsett@wiu.edu. You can also learn more about the department by visiting wiu.edu/health.

University Libraries
University Libraries consists of the Leslie F. Malpass Library, which is the main branch, and four other branches: the Physical Sciences Library, the Music Library, the Curriculum Library, and the Quad Cities Library. We offer students access to a variety of resources in print and online. Research assistance is available in person at the Reference Desk and via instant messaging. Check out our website for hours, events, and services available: wiu.edu/libraries.

Higher Values in Higher Education
Located in Macomb (population 20,000), with a campus in the Quad Cities (Moline, IL), Western Illinois University offers a caring and supportive learning environment to more than 13,000 students in west-central Illinois. Western students have all the advantages of a large public university—strong faculty, state-of-the-art technology and facilities, and a wide range of academic and extracurricular opportunities—in an atmosphere free from distractions. Western offers a broad-based athletics program, sponsoring 20 NCAA Division I intercollegiate varsity sports. Football competes in the NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision through the Missouri Valley Football Conference; all other varsity sports compete at the Division I level through The Summit League. Western's presence in the Quad Cities spans more than 40 years, and Western Illinois University–Quad Cities offers undergraduate and graduate programs to more than 1,500 students. The core values that are at the heart of the University are academic excellence, educational opportunity, personal growth, and social responsibility.

Western's GradTrac and Cost programs guarantee that students can achieve their degrees within four years while paying a fixed rate for tuition, fees, room, and board.

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