

Building on Excellence

The undergraduate Appalachian Health Care Management program has been continuously accredited with the Association of University Programs in Health Administration since 1984. The MHA curriculum is taught by the same high quality faculty and staff, combining years of real world experience and practical theory.



Trent Spaulding
*Assistant Professor
Information Systems*

Dr. Spaulding specializes in the automation of business processes in the health care industry. This work benefits from the availability of data on thousands of hospitals from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Hospital Quality Alliance, the American Hospital Association, and the HIMSS Foundation. He has also researched the economics of online auctions and business use of virtual communities.



Sandi Lane
*Assistant Professor
Graduate Director*

Dr. Lane has over 20 years of health services organizational leadership and teaching experience. Her research interests include structural characteristics and management processes impacting the quality of health services and the impact of health system structure, policy, and financing on quality of care for older adults and rural populations.



Dave Williams
*Associate Professor
Undergraduate Director*

With 25 years of healthcare management and education experience, Dr. Williams' teaching and research interests lie in the areas of healthcare management, strategy, and entrepreneurship. He is a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives.



Elizabeth McGrady
*Associate Professor
Community Health*

Dr. McGrady has worked in the healthcare field for over 30 years as a clinician, program manager, executive, educator, and consultant. Dr. McGrady is a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives where she served as the Chair of the national ethics committee, the Regent's Advisory Council and as President of a regional Board of Directors.



Susan Roggenkamp
*Associate Professor
Health Services Organization*

Dr. Roggenkamp is a Faculty Associate in the American College of Healthcare Executives and a member of the Association of University Programs in Health Administration. Her research is in hospital case management and strategic management in healthcare. She has served six years as Senior Associate Dean of the Beaver College of Health Sciences.



Master of Health Administration

from Appalachian State University



APPLICATION

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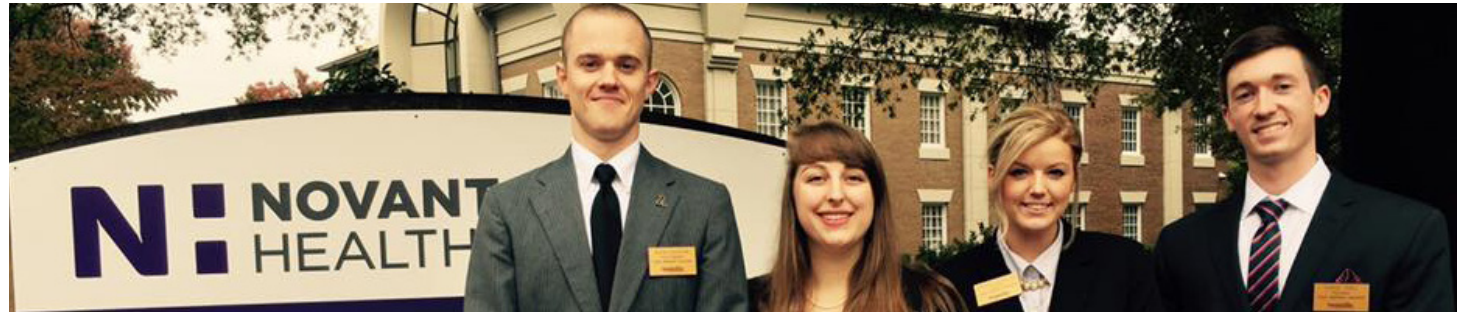
The Appalachian Master of Health Administration program is a hybrid online program designed to meet the needs of working professionals in western North Carolina. Graduates will have the knowledge and ability to be strong leaders of health care organizations throughout western North Carolina, the state, and nation.

Online Program

By offering courses online through Appalachian Distance Education, the program makes available to working professionals the opportunity to earn a master of health administration degree while still working full time from an institution with forty years of experience educating health care management students while still working full time. The MHA will maintain the rigor and quality for which the baccalaureate health care management program is known.

Part-time or Full-time

The 46 credit hour program offers part-time and full-time enrollment. Students enrolled full-time can complete the program in two years. The flexibility of the program allows part-time students to complete the program in three years. The program is designed around a flexible schedule that enables busy health care professionals to balance work and personal life with a strategic investment in their career.



"Appalachian is confident the MHA degree program will offer high quality graduate education that meets the needs of the health care systems and providers of North Carolina for well-trained management talent."

*Dr. Darrell Kruger,
Appalachian State University
Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor*

Curriculum & Concentrations

The program embodies the Appalachian mission in focusing on the management of rural health and rural care organizations. In addition to a strong core curriculum in general health administration, students will have two possible areas of focus: health care leadership and health information systems.

Core Courses

Foundations of the US Health Care System

Statistics for Health Administration

Health & Disease

**Organizational Development & Behavior
in Health Care**

Financial Management for Health Organizations I, II

Performance Improvement Concepts & Application

Health Economics

**Management & Human Resources
in Health Organizations**

Health Law & Policy

Health Care Informatics

Executive Skills Development

Strategic Management in Health Care

Leadership Focus

Leadership in Health Care

Health Care Operations Management

Marketing in Health Care

Information Systems Focus

Health Care Data Management

Data Analytics in Health Care

Health Information Project Management

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