Applicants for admission must submit or be responsible for submission of:

1. A completed application form with a $50.00 nonrefundable application fee.
2. Two evaluation forms—supplied in the application package or by request—from previous or current supervisors, client or consumer.
3. Official transcripts sent directly from all previously attended undergraduate, professional, and graduate institutions.
4. All coursework from international institutions, if applicant attended or is a graduate of an international institution.

Coursework taken at foreign institutions must be evaluated for U.S. institution equivalency by an approved National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) organization, such as one of the services listed below.

World Education Services, Inc.
Washington, D.C. 20036-3770
(202) 546-7200 • www.wes.org

Joseph Silby & Associates, Inc.
7180 SW 102nd Avenue, Miami, Florida 33173
(305) 248-1744 • (305) 273-1338 FAX • www.jsa.org

Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc.
P.O. Box 38470, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203-3470
(414) 289-3840 • (800) 255-7611 FAX • www.ece.org

Bowling Green Station
P.O. Box 514070, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203-3470
(414) 289-3400

Josef Silny & Associates, Inc.
7180 SW 102nd Avenue, Miami, Florida 33173
(305) 273-1616 • (305) 273-1338 FAX • www.jsa.org

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P.O. Box 299000
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33328-9905
(954) 262-1101 • www.nova.edu

Prospective dual M.H.Sc./D.H.Sc. students are selected by the Committee on Admissions, which considers the overall qualifications of applicants and their suitability for this course of study. Areas of consideration include application content, academic record, prior health care experience, letters of evaluation, and personal motivation. In special circumstances, a personal interview with members of the Committee on Admissions may be required.

1. Prior to matriculation, applicants must have completed a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. Applicants should have earned a cumulative bachelor’s degree G.P.A. at or above 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for regular admissions.
3. Prior health care experience is expected and is strongly considered in the admissions process. The dual M.H.Sc./D.H.Sc. is a postprofessional degree designed for health practitioners with a wide variety of disciplines, public health professionals, and health care administrators. The community exhibited by our students is the expert practice of health care administrators. The commonality exhibited by our students is the expert practice of health care administrators. The successful applicant’s health profession must demonstrate delivery of services to individual clients; e.g., PT, PA, RN, LSW, or be population based (Public Health or Health Administration). An appropriate level of professional practice is generally recognized by either health profession license (e.g., R.N., P.T., Ph.D., national certification or registration, e.g., A.C.T., B.R.T., FACHE), a recognized health professions academic credential (e.g., D.H.Sc.), or a combination of the above.

4. The application candidate will demonstrate at least five years of professional experience with increasing levels of responsibility in a health care setting. Professional experience will be documented by an organizational chart demonstrating the applicant’s responsibilities over that time frame. The successful applicant’s health profession must demonstrate delivery of services to individual clients; e.g., PT, PA, RN, LSW, or be population based (Public Health or Health Administration). An appropriate level of professional experience must be documented by an organizational chart demonstrating the applicant’s responsibilities over that time frame.

5. All applicants must show evidence of computer skills, through coursework or self-study, that can be discussed with the department chair or program director on an informal basis, but the official recommendations are made by the Committee on Admissions to the dean of the College of Health Care Sciences, who makes the final determination.

6. All applicants must have evidence of computer skills, through coursework or self-study, prior to the end of the first term. Students may obtain instruction through the NSU Student Computer Learning Center, or other training facilities.

7. Applicants must take the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) and submit their scores within three years of the date of matriculation with their application documents.
MULTI¢-DEGREE MASTER OF HEALTH SCIENCE/DOCTOR OF HEALTH SCIENCE

This accelerated dual-degree program is designed for accomplished, motivated health care practitioners who wish to obtain advanced professional degree. The program is specifically structured for those practitioners who have a strong desire to teach within the health care field, be recognized leaders in their program, and assume administrative and institutional leadership roles within the health care delivery system.

The combined M.H.Sc./D.H.Sc. provides rigorous academic exposure to a wide range of institutional leadership roles within the health care delivery system.

Students are required to attend two one-week on-campus institutes.

Graduates are equipped with the knowledge, skills, and experience to expand their management. Students have the opportunity to engage in internships within their home institutions, which provide valuable professional experience and broad exposure to a variety of health care delivery systems.

DUAL-DEGREE MASTER OF HEALTH SCIENCE/D.H.SC.

• Bachelor’s degree in health care administration, health policy, or related field
• Minimum GPA of 3.0
• Minimum 500 hours of health care work experience
• Minimum 10 years of health care work experience
• Minimum 10 years of health care work experience
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M.H.SC. LEVEL

REQUISITE COURSES—12 CREDITS
MH 5000 Current and Cultural Issues in Health Care
MH 5001 Health Care Finance
MH 5350 Epidemiology and Biostatistics
MH 5350 Principles and Practice of Management in Health Care

SAMPLE ELECTIVES*—CHOOSE THREE—9 CREDITS
MH 5211 Contemporary Issues in Health Education
MH 5274 Educational Theories and Methodologies
MH 5344 Curriculum and Instruction in Health Care Education
MH 5400 Professionalism and Health Care Ethics
MH 5400 Directed Studies
MH 5541 Health Care Systems and Policy
MH 5541 Leadership in Health Care

*D*More electives are available.

TOTAL CREDITS COMPLETED IN THE M.H.SC. PROGRAM—21 CREDITS

D.H.SC. LEVEL

REQUISITE COURSES—24 CREDITS
DHS 8000 Statistics and Research Methods
DHS 8040 Professionalism and Health Care Ethics
DHS 8125 Health Care Education
DHS 8000 Conflict Resolution
DHS 8170 Leadership in Health Care

CORE BLOCK ONE—4 CREDITS
Three electives are required; all four may be taken. If only three are chosen, one elective may be substituted for the fourth course.

DHS 8000 Health Care for Diverse Populations
DHS 8000 Community Health
DHS 8000 Health Policy
DHS 8000 Environmental Health

CORE BLOCK TWO—4 CREDITS
DHS 8040 Global Health Issues
DHS 8080 Health Policy Issues
DHS 8070 Patient Safety and Medical Errors
DHS 8080 Health Care Informatics

D.H.SC. LEVEL CONTINUED

EXPERIMENTAL (OPTIONAL)—11 CREDITS
DHS 8125 Preparation to Internship and Practicum
DHS 8130 Internship
DHS 8140 Practicum

ELECTIVES—4 CREDITS
Three electives may include courses from block one and two not counted toward core requirements.

DOCTORAL ANALYSIS—2 CREDITS

TOTAL CREDITS COMPLETED IN THE D.H.SC. PROGRAM—41 CREDITS

M.H.Sc./D.H.Sc. DUAL-DEGREE PROGRAM

Students may apply for M.H.Sc. degree conferred after they accumulate 44 credits including:

M.H.SC. COURSES—21 CREDITS
MH 5000 Current and Cultural Issues in Health Care
MH 5001 Health Care Finance
MH 5350 Epidemiology and Biostatistics
MH 5350 Principles and Practice of Management in Health Care
MH 5155 Doctoral Analysis

D.H.SC. COURSES—23 CREDITS
DHS 8000 Statistics and Research Methods
DHS 8040 Professionalism and Health Care Ethics
DHS 8080 Health Policy Issues
DHS 8070 Patient Safety and Medical Errors
DHS 8080 Health Care Informatics

Three electives (can include courses from block one and two not counted toward core requirements)

FINANCIAL AID STATEMENT

The primary financial responsibility for a student’s education rests with the student and his or her family, but economic circumstances for some families may make it necessary for the student to obtain assistance from other sources.

The purpose of the Student Financial Aid Program at Nova Southeastern University is to help many qualified students as possible to complete their health professions education. Various loans, scholarships, and grants are available to qualified students to help ease the high cost of a health professions education. These financial assistance programs are designed in a variety of separate university publications. For information on financial assistance, contact Nova Southeastern University, Department of Student Financial Aid, 1131 College Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33314-7796.

Phone: 954-362-5100 or 1-800-NSU-INFO (678-4636)

Tuition

Tuition for 2015-2016 is $14,500 per semester for full-time courses. For students who are full-time for the 2016-2017 academic year, the tuition rate is $14,500 per semester. A 2.5% discount will be applied to tuition for students who are approved for financial aid. Additional fees such as health insurance, books and supplies, and student service fees may apply. The cost of health insurance for the 2016-2017 academic year is $2,990. Students may be required to maintain insurance coverage for the duration of their enrollment. Tuition rates may be updated at any time without notice.