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Master of Health Administration
Executive Program

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The Rutgers Executive Master of Health Administration is designed for emerging leaders who want to transform health care delivery.

Ten of the 20 fastest-growing jobs today are in health care, a field that will, in the next few years, continue to add more new jobs than any other sector. Health care reform continues to greatly increase demand for quality, affordable care, requiring clinicians and administrators alike to come up with novel approaches for care delivery. Succeeding in this environment calls for specialized knowledge and skills.

WHY THE RUTGERS MHA?

The Executive Master of Health Administration at the Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy is for health professionals who aspire to advance into executive leadership roles. This cohort-based program approaches your professional development and education in the same way as does the work environment—by throwing challenges your way. This is by no means your traditional didactic, textbook-centric class.

Most MHA programs offer the same old set of isolated 3-credit silos that don’t meet the needs of future innovators. Our Executive MHA is challenging, mirrors on the job experience using a modular approach, and is collaborative, student-centric, and team-driven.

“This Executive MHA will give you a competitive edge unlike any other program. It is designed and taught by current health care leaders who know your world.”

Vincent D. Joseph, FACHE
Advisor and Executive Coach
We are transforming the way future health care leaders are educated—integrating real life scenarios into the classroom learning environment. As a Rutgers Executive MHA student you’ll be presented with real-time problems health care organizations grapple with every day. Together, in your assigned cohorts, you’ll work through potential solutions that aren’t found in textbooks—they require the skills of leaders who can work on diverse teams, find answers through organizational innovation, and manage change.

The Rutgers Executive MHA prepares graduates for executive positions in hospitals, large group practices, long-term care, behavioral health facilities, government, nonprofits, and other organizations, as well as jobs in consulting, pharma, insurance, and finance.

Next generation health care requires a new way of thinking—bigger, bolder, and smarter—and an understanding of the challenges facing health care systems in the 21st century.

The Executive MHA Program is tailored for the health professional with at least five years of experience. Our newly designed curriculum presents information in four sequential, 9-credit modules or clusters—courses grouped together in common themes and two experiential summers. At the start of each module, cohorts take on a complex health care problem and collaboratively create innovative solutions.

Executive MHA participants complete the 42-credit program in two calendar years, including completion of an experiential portfolio of management achievements, typically up to 6 credits.*

Along with problem solving, students will analyze challenging health care trends:

- Value-based performance
- Health care reform
- Technology and data analytics
- Change management
- Accountable care organizations
- Continuum of care
- Quality improvement
- Health equity and diversity
- Healthcare consumerism and consumer engagement
- Digital healthcare
- Transformation leadership

* In extraordinary circumstances, portfolio assessment of management experience may reach 9 credits, but under no circumstance will portfolio assessment result in more than 9 credits toward the MHA.
Among the benefits the Rutgers Executive MHA offers:

**Innovative, cohort-based program.** As part of the CAHME accreditation requirements, the Rutgers MHA uses a competency-based learning system. This means that you will master the skills and knowledge you need to be highly successful in healthcare today. You will develop proficiencies in 19 core competencies within five major domains including the healthcare environment; leadership and professional development; management and business, communications and relationship management; and entrepreneurship and innovation. When you finish, you can be confident that you are ready to move forward in today’s rapidly changing healthcare environment.

**World-class experts.** Faculty members in the Executive MHA include accomplished individuals who have helped shape health care throughout New Jersey and beyond—people who live the daily challenges of today’s health care industry. They include teachers, lecturers, and guest speakers from top industry leaders, including Johnson & Johnson, Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield, and Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, as well as researchers and experts from the Bloustein School. Our students will also have the opportunity to network and develop professional relationships among a rich network of contacts through Rutgers’ alumni and faculty.

**Inside-out knowledge of the drivers in health policy.** The Bloustein School has outstanding health administration programs at both the graduate and undergraduate levels. As a leader in the study of health policy, our undergraduate public health program is ranked 4th nationally. We use innovation in the classroom—mentoring, team teaching, executive coaching, case studies, and more—and have the expertise and resources to develop tomorrow’s health care leaders.
HOW TO APPLY

• The Executive MHA Program annually accepts students for cohorts commencing in the spring semester, which begins in January. There is no fall semester enrollment. Each cohort will complete all MHA requirements in six semesters (two spring, two summer, two fall) and end two years after beginning the program, with a December completion. Interested working professionals may submit their application for admission through Rutgers Graduate and Professional Admissions.

• For application and more information visit: mha.rutgers.edu or email us at recruit@ejb.rutgers.edu

APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR JANUARY ENROLLMENT:

NOVEMBER 1

APPLICANT CHECKLIST

☐ Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts/or related degree

☐ Minimum GPA of 3.0 preferred

☐ 5 years of health care experience

☐ Transcripts (may be submitted for the highest degree awarded to applicant)

☐ Electronic personal statement (500-750 words)
The personal statement should indicate what you, as a prospective student entering a graduate health administration program, can you offer/contribute to a dynamic, learning environment? What are your professional goals?

☐ Two letters of recommendation:

☐ A strong letter of recommendation from your employer

☐ A letter that should highlight the applicant’s academic potential or qualifications that sets the candidate apart from other applicants

Both letters should speak to a strong work ethic, professionalism, leadership potential, motivation, and high ethical standards.
THE BLOUSTEIN SCHOOL

World-class faculty. High-level professional and research staff. Dedicated support staff. Diverse and talented students. Active alumni.

The Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy is continually striving to expand our relevance in critical areas and meet the needs of the community at large. We foster a highly-collaborative academic, scholarly and professional environment, preparing students to be the planning, policy and health leaders of tomorrow, conducting cutting-edge, policy-relevant research and scholarship, cultivating leadership in public engagement and community service, and addressing the crucial policy issues of our time.

THE HEALTHCARE CITY

To be a distinguished center of medicine, you need the winning combination of the best research, human talent, and teaching. Leading in all three, New Brunswick has earned the reputation of being the region’s “Healthcare City.” The city has five nationally-recognized hospitals, global biotechnology and pharmaceutical corporations, internationally-recognized medical research facilities, and is part of the country’s largest medical school.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, is a leading national research university and the state of New Jersey’s preeminent, comprehensive public institution of higher education. Established in 1766, the university is the eighth oldest higher education institution in the United States. More than 70,000 students and 23,400 full- and part-time faculty and staff learn, work, and serve the public at Rutgers locations across New Jersey and around the world. As the University of New Jersey®, Rutgers is dedicated to teaching that meets the highest standards of excellence, to conducting research that breaks new ground, and to providing services, solutions, and clinical care that help individuals and the local, national, and global communities where they live.