

# HERZING

## ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT (ASHCM)

## ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT(AASHCM)

*(Offered in the States of Minnesota and Ohio Only)*

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This transfer program provides students who have a solid grounding in a healthcare discipline, gained from completing a diploma or certificate program in that discipline, with the general education component of an associate's degree to become a well-rounded graduate.

### PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of their program, the student should be able to:

1. Apply healthcare technical skills acquired from prior study to provide effective and appropriate patient care.
2. Think critically, both conceptually and by using mathematical analysis, in a healthcare setting.
3. Write and speak effectively in a medical office or hospital environment.
4. Use basic computer applications typical in a healthcare facility.
5. Understand human behavior in the context of the greater society.

### POTENTIAL JOB POSITION TITLES

Potential entry-level job titles will vary with the discipline of the prior healthcare diploma or certificate transferred into the program.

### PROGRAM LENGTH

The average length of time for a student taking a full course load is 5 semesters (20 months).

### PROGRAM CONTENT

A minimum of 60 semester credit hours, including transfer credits, is required for graduation.

### REQUIRED HEALTHCARE TRANSFER COURSES

At least 34 semester credit hours of courses transferred from the core courses of a healthcare-related diploma or certificate program are required.

### GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Students enrolled in this associate's degree must complete a minimum of 24 semester credit hours in general education distributed among the following disciplines. Refer to the General Education section of the catalog for Herzing University courses that would satisfy these requirements.\*

- 1 Semester Credit Hour in Information Literacy
- 3 Semester Credit Hours in English Composition
- 3 Semester Credit Hours in Speech
- 4 Semester Credit Hours in Computer Applications ♦
- 4 Semester Credit Hours in Mathematics (College Algebra or above)
- 3 Semester Credit Hours in Social or Behavioral Science
- 3 Semester Credit Hours in Natural Science or Humanities With a Critical Thinking Focus \*\* ▲ ♦
- 3 Semester Credit Hours in General Education Electives ♦

\* Transfer students may transfer courses that are within 1 semester credit hour of the courses listed above to meet these discipline requirements. Any resulting deficiency in the total of 24 semester credit hours required in general education may be made up with general education electives from any of the listed disciplines.

\*\* A course with a critical thinking focus would be a course that addresses the theories and application of critical analysis with an emphasis on developing sequential reasoning skills. Examples may be courses in critical thinking, philosophy, logic, or science.

▲ Students in the State of Georgia must take a science course to fulfill this requirement.

♦ The state of Minnesota requires a minimum of 20 semester credit hours of general education for associate's degrees, not counting computer applications. However, all Herzing University students in the AASHCM program must complete a minimum of 24 semester

credit hours in general education, including computer applications, to complete the requirement for graduation from this associate's degree program. Minnesota students must complete at least 2 semester credit hours of general education in the humanities.

### **PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES**

A minimum of 2 semester credit hours is required.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisite	Credit Hours
PD 120	Personal Financial Management	None	1.0
PD 155	Customer Services	None	1.0
PD 200	Career Development Seminar	None	1.0

*For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at <http://www.herzingonline.edu/programs/health-care-management>.*