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AUPHA Launches the First Centralized Application Service for Applicants to Health Administration, Management & Policy Programs

HAMPCAS Opens to Applicants on September 7, 2011

ARLINGTON, Va., August 16, 2011 – The Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) will launch the first national centralized application service for students applying to graduate programs in health administration, management and policy. The Healthcare Administration, Management & Policy Centralized Application Service (HAMPCAS) will begin accepting applications on September 7, 2011.

Through HAMPCAS, AUPHA is able to provide applicants with a convenient way to apply to multiple master's degree programs, across different colleges and universities throughout the U.S by way of a single, web-based application. The system will provide one portal for admissions offices to obtain applications and applicant data; view reports/analysis of their applicant pool; verify transcripts; and provide customer support, thereby reducing administrative burden on admissions staff.

"With the media surrounding the healthcare industry as a recession-proof field, those who represent the various health professions are duty-bound to help inform prospective students of the careers and degrees available, to better match students to programs, and to help our programs attract the best applicants to their schools, and ultimately the field," said AUPHA COO, Liane Kluge, who has led the development of HAMPCAS since its inception. "As trending towards increased use by students of the AUPHA website and other social messaging outlets continues to grow at a fast rate, the association is pleased to be able to not only provide its members with a new service through HAMPCAS, but also this growing contingent of individuals who are turning to the association for assistance selecting a degree."

Benefits to Applicants

The benefits to applicants of using HAMPCAS are many, including:

- Decreasing the time and cost of applying to multiple programs
- Eliminating duplication of effort in submitting multiple copies of credentials, transcripts, essays, and more
- Allowing the customization of essays and/or the use of a standard essay. Applicants can select which
 option, for each school applied to, within one online application.
- Allowing an applicant to complete their application over multiple sittings before submitting to all schools simultaneously, and updating their application with new information after the application has already been initiated
- Enabling applicants to check application status and progress within the system, from anywhere they have internet access

• Enabling one-time payment for all applications via secure e-commerce

What Schools are Available for Application via HAMPCAS?

AUPHA Full Graduate Members (CAHME-Accredited Programs):

- University of Alabama at Birmingham, Department of Health Services Administration
- University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, Fay W. Boozman College of Public Health
- Cornell University, The Sloan Program in Health Administration, College of Human Ecology
- Georgia State University, Institute of Health Administration, Robinson College of Business
- Governors State University, Dept. of Health Admin., College of Health & Human Svcs.
- University of Iowa School of Public Health, Department of Health Management and Policy
- University of Miami, School of Business Admin., Exec. MBA Program in Health Sector Mgmt. & Policy
- University of Michigan, Master of Health Services Administration Program, School of Public Health
- University of Minnesota School of Public Health, Division of Health Policy and Management
- University of Missouri--Columbia, Health Management & Informatics
- Ohio State University, Division of Health Services Management & Policy
- Rush University, Department of Health Systems Management
- Saint Louis University School of Public Health, Department of Health Mgmt. & Policy
- Temple University, Fox School of Business, Department of Risk, Insurance & Healthcare Management
- Texas A&M Health Science Center, Department of Health Policy and Management
- Texas Woman's University, Program in Health Care Administration, College of Health Sciences
- Tulane University School of Public Health & Tropical Medicine, Department of Global Health Systems and Development
- Virginia Commonwealth University, Graduate Program in Health Admin./MHA Prgrm., School of Allied Health Professions
- University of Washington--Seattle, Department of Health Services, School of Public Health

AUPHA Associate and Associate Graduate Candidate Members:

- AT Still University, Health Administration Program, School of Management
- Carnegie Mellon University, Heinz College, Health Care Policy & Management
- Des Moines University, College of Health Science
- University of Detroit Mercy, Health Services Administration Graduate Program, College of Health Professions
- Loyola University Chicago, MBA Healthcare Management, Graduate School of Business
- University of North Texas Health Science Center, School of Public Health, Dept. of Health Management & Policy
- University of the Pacific, Eberhardt School of Business, MBA in Healthcare Management
- Winston-Salem State University, School of Business and Economics

There are new programs joining HAMPCAS each week. For the most current list of application service participants, visit http://www.aupha.org/HAMPCASSchools.

The HAMPCAS portal will open for applications on September 7th. For additional information, students and advisors are encouraged to visit http://www.aupha.org/ApplyViaHAMPCAS.

Participation in HAMPCAS is voluntary and free to AUPHA graduate member programs and programs may join at any time before or after launch. For more information on HAMPCAS or information on how to participate, members are encouraged to visit http://www.aupha.org/HAMPCAS or contact Liane Kluge at lianep.kluge@aupha.org or Lacey Meckley at lianep.kluge@aupha.org.

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AUPHA is a global network of colleges, universities, faculty, individuals and organizations dedicated to the improvement of healthcare delivery through excellence in healthcare management and policy education. Its mission

is to foster excellence and drive innovation in health management and policy education, and promote the value of university-based management education for leadership roles in the health sector. AUPHA's membership includes the premier Baccalaureate and Masters degree programs in Health Administration Education in the United States and Canada. Its faculty and individual members represent close to 400 colleges, universities, and healthcare organizations. For more information, please visit www.AUPHA.org.

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