THE RUSH HSM PROGRAM

- Department of Health Systems Management in the College of Health Sciences
- Master of Science degree in Health Systems Management
- Accredited by CAHME since 1981
- Ranked among the elite top five health administration programs in the United States by U.S. News & World Report
- Located in the vibrant city of Chicago

The Rush Health Systems Management (HSM) program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education (CAHME), the only Department of Education recognized accreditor for graduate health administration programs. Although similar in content to the other top health care management programs, our program, which is situated in a world class academic medical center, has the advantage of providing students with a greater breadth and depth of practical, hands-on competencies and experience, than a traditional, university-based program.

THE PRACTITIONER-TEACHER MODEL

The underlying basis for our program is the practitioner-teacher model, whereby students learn from practitioners. Faculty members at Rush and other health care organizations fully participate in the administrative and/or clinical process of health care delivery in addition to their teaching. This approach to professional education provides a seamless integration of learning from the classroom to the practice setting. The practitioner-teacher model is further enhanced by the integration of paid student work experience at the Medical Center, as part of the first year of the curriculum.

HEALTH ADMINISTRATION MASTER’S DEGREE PROGRAMS: 300+ NATIONWIDE

CAHME. ACCREDITED

- CAHME accredited programs: 94
- Nationally ranked: 70*
- Practitioner-teacher programs: 1, the Rush University HSM Program

*Based on the 2015 U.S. News & World Report rankings for Healthcare Management graduate programs

SAME DEGREE, DIFFERENT TITLES

- Master of Science in Health Systems Management (MS)
- Master of Health Administration (MHA)
- Master in Health Services Administration (MHSA)
- Master of Business Administration with a concentration in healthcare administration (MBA)
HEALTH SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT STUDENTS

Each year the Rush Masters in Health Systems Management program welcomes an intimate group of students to forge the future of health care delivery. Following the Rush University model of practitioner as teacher, our faculty hold administrative leadership positions in addition to their educational roles. More than 100 professionals are on the faculty; working with the program as course instructors, internship preceptors, advisors, and graduate project operational and research committee members. Thus, students have access to a vast array of professionals for networking and career development. Approximately one-third of these faculty members are also course directors; integrating the practice of health care management into the classroom and ensuring the continuous improvement and relevance of the HSM coursework and the student experience within this premier health care delivery center.

INCOMING CLASS PROFILE
(FALL 2018–2020)

- **29 students**: 24 full-time and 5 part-time
- **100 applicants**: 47% accepted
- **Mean entering GPA**: 3.6
- **Median GRE performance**: verbal 58%, quantitative 49%, analytical writing 59%
- **Gender**: 21 female, 8 male
- **Racial/ethnic minority**: 31%
- Students come from diverse backgrounds, including community health, science/business, biology, chemistry, biomedical engineering, bioinformatics, economics, business, Spanish, finance, history, accounting, public health, political science, and sociology.

POST GRADUATE CAREERS IN HSM – HIGHLIGHTS

- Opportunity to “do good” for others while “doing well” for yourself and family; median compensation for health services managers was $98,350 in 2017*
- Continuous growth, learning and change
- Excellent advancement, leadership and earning potential
- Challenging assignments in dynamic environments


THE RUSH HSM ADVANTAGE

The health care sector is the fastest growing segment of the United States economy. Locally and nationally, job prospects for health care managers remain strong. Those with experience in large hospital facilities, such as Rush University Medical Center, have an even brighter outlook.

All first-year students in the Rush HSM program gain paid, hands-on work experience at Rush University Medical Center. Most students secure additional health care management work experience in the summer and in their second year of studies. This combination of work experience while earning graduate credentials uniquely positions Rush HSM students to be future health care leaders.

GRADUATE AND ALUMNI EMPLOYMENT

Even in an unpredictable economy, HSM graduates are welcomed to the workforce. In the last three years, more than 90% of each graduating class secured full-time employment prior to graduation and almost all seeking employment secured a position within 3 months of graduation. HSM graduates shape health care leadership and innovation across the United States and the world.

CLASS of 2018

- **Fellowships**: 4%
- **Consulting**: 25%
- **Operations**: 50%
- **Medical School**: 21%

Rush HSM Class of 2018
96% graduates had jobs within 90 days of graduation