

Health Care Studies | Bachelor of Science

EMPLOYMENT
IN HEALTHCARE
OCCUPATIONS IS EXPECTED
TO GROW 18% NATIONALLY
BY 2024, FASTER THAN
OTHER INDUSTRIES
U.S. BUREAU
OF LABOR STATISTICS

Employers in the healthcare sector are seeking employees who possess a skill set that includes knowledge of health systems, medical terminology, health informatics, and principles of patient centered care. The B.S. Healthcare Studies degree program addresses the development of these skills and helps employers meet these needs.

The dynamic and evolving healthcare sector is comprised of companies involved in products and services related to health and medical care. Industries in the healthcare sector include pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, equipment, distribution, facilities, and managed health care. An aging population, emerging technologies, medical advances, and healthcare reform are all shaping this booming industry.

In Connecticut, health care practitioner and technical positions, both clinical and non-clinical, are expected to grow 9.5% in a 10-year period ending in 2024. Labor statistics indicate that statewide about 24,000 new healthcare jobs will be added by 2024.

PROGRAM FEATURES

This B.S. in Healthcare Studies program is an interdisciplinary and customizable program that enables students to pursue a broad range of current or emerging careers in the healthcare sector. The program provides students with a strong foundation for application to a variety of medical, health and human services graduate programs. The program also prepares Associate's degree-trained healthcare professionals to pursue opportunities for career advancement.

The program offers:

- Curriculum designed with direct input from healthcare professionals and focused on meeting critical workforce needs in healthcare settings.
- Program faculty include professionals who are currently working at healthcare facilities in our region.
- Coursework includes 40 program specific credits that provide broad, foundational knowledge in all aspects of healthcare.
- Program allows students to complete 34 elective credits focused on specific workforce needs or prerequisites for application to graduate healthcare degree programs.

For more information on program requirements, visit Catalog.SouthernCT.edu/undergraduate

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The Healthcare Studies program prepares students for a wide range of graduate health and medical degree programs. Additionally, this degree prepares students for immediate entry into careers, including but not limited to:

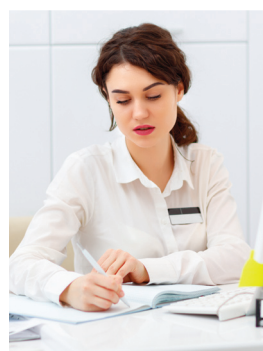
- Patient experience specialists
- Pharmaceutical sales representatives
- Health research assistants
- Digital health communications specialists
- Health care administrators and informatics specialists

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