

# HEALTH SERVICES POLICY AND MANAGEMENT, PH.D.

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The Ph.D. program prepares students to conduct health services research and to teach in a university setting. The program is individualized for each student, taking into account the individual's interests, academic training, and professional experience. The emphasis is on research methods, statistics, and advanced concepts in health policy and management. Students must complete a doctoral dissertation and demonstrate the ability to conduct original research.

## Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate domain expertise in the following two broad areas: a) structure and functioning of health systems, in general, and the US health system in particular (system design, financing, reimbursement for care, population care access and disparities, and health system performance), b) health services content and delivery, major issues, process and outcome measures of performance.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of health services research methodologies, selection and application of appropriate methodologies, skills of data management and analysis, and inference/interpretation of findings.
3. Students will demonstrate the ability to plan conduct original health services research and communicate the findings through professional written communications and oral presentations.