

Westmoreland County Community College – Ohio University Plan

Integrated Healthcare Studies Pathway

The Integrated Healthcare Studies (IHS) major is designed as a completion degree for individuals who have completed at least 60 semester hours in an allied health-related discipline; or for those students who have started an undergraduate health related program and have decided a more general health degree better suits their educational goals. The IHS program provides students a pathway to continue their education, increase career possibilities, and creates a pathway to graduate education. The Integrated Healthcare Studies program responds to the need of an increasingly complex state of the American healthcare system by providing opportunities for students to acquire vital knowledge and skills that will be critical in practicing and navigating the healthcare system. Not only is the healthcare system becoming more complex; healthcare professions, and healthcare support, are among the fastest growing occupations with the increased expectation that higher levels of education will be required.

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- Review study materials and submit assignments online.
- Learn from distinguished professors with clinical experience.
- Progress through the degree in consultation with an Ohio University academic advisor.
- Flexibility to choose classes for your specific needs and most IHS courses are held in 7-week increments.

Admission Requirements

- Any associate degree or 60 semester (90 total quarter) hours in a health-related field from a regionally accredited college or university.
- Students must have completed at least one course in each of the following areas: 1) mathematics, logic, statistics, or quantitative reasoning 2) English composition 3) biological or natural sciences and 4) psychology, sociology, social work, or social sciences.
- Students must have completed at least 9 semester hours in additional courses with a health or medical focus such as: First Aid and CPR/AED, Medical Terminology, and courses with the Ohio University prefixes BIOS (Biological Sciences), HTCH (Health Technology), MAT (Medical Assisting Technology), HST (Human Services Technology) or HLTH (Health). Others will be considered.
- A minimum combined GPA of 2.67 (B-) from all prior college-level coursework.
- All official transcripts submitted to Ohio University at the time of application.

Application Information

Apply online enroll.ohio.edu

Students can complete this program through OHIO Online or Athens campus.

Submit all college-level transcripts to:

Undergraduate Admissions
Ohio University
Chubb Hall 120
1 Ohio University Drive
Athens, OH 45701

Ohio University Contact Information

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740.593.4100

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Degree Requirements

To qualify for the Bachelor of Science, Integrated Healthcare Studies major, a student must have completed all Ohio University graduation requirements: general education, College, major, and residency. Students must complete minimum of 30 semester credit hours of Ohio University credit and a minimum of 50% of the major course requirements at Ohio University.

Ohio University BRICKS General Education Requirements

BRICKS is Ohio University's general education program, and requirements must be fulfilled by all baccalaureate degree students. BRICKS includes a minimum of 38 credit hours across five categories: Foundations, Pillars, Arches, Bridges, and Capstone. Courses used to satisfy BRICKS requirements may be completed through Westmoreland County Community College or OHIO Online. The table below lists Westmoreland County Community College courses that have direct course equivalencies at Ohio University which meet BRICKS requirements. General education courses that may also satisfy program requirements are inside brackets. HIST courses marked with an asterisk (*) will automatically equate to fill Pillars Humanities Texts and Contexts, but may alternately equate to fill Pillars Social and Behavioral Sciences. Work with your academic advisor to make adjustments.

| OHIO BRICKS Requirement | Westmoreland County Community College Course Numbers |
|--------------------------------|---|
| FOUNDATIONS | Take one course from each listed category |
| Written Communication | ENG 161 |
| Advanced Writing | ENG 164 |
| Quantitative Reasoning | BUS 250, BUS 288; HUM 156; MTH 158, MTH 160, MTH 173, MTH 180; PHL 155 |
| Intercultural Explorations | HIS 269; SOC 255; SWK 170 |
| PILLARS | Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each) |
| Humanities: Texts and Contexts | ENG 165, ENG 270, ENG 276; HIS 155, HIS 156; PHL 160, PHL 161 |
| Humanities: Arts | ART 155; ENG 225 |
| Natural Sciences | BIO 120, BIO 145, BIO 171, BIO 210, [BIO 265]; CHM 107; CHM 108; CHM 155; EPS 163; GEO 160; PHY 155, PHY 255, PHY 259 |
| Social or Behavioral Sciences | ECE 156, ECN 158, ECN 255, ECN 256; GEO 155, HIS 268, HIS 269; POL 155, POL 156, POL 256; [PSY 160]; SOC 155 |
| ARCHES | Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each) |
| Constructed World | ART 156, ART 158; BUS 278, BUS 288; ENG 240; MED 158; MTH 172; REL 171 |
| Natural World | BIO 172, BIO 255; CHM 156, CHM 225; EPS 150; PHY 107, PHY 153, PHY 156, PHY 256 |
| Connected World | CRJ 155; ECE 157; [PSY 163], PSY 165, [PSY 260], [PSY 265], [PSY 270]; SOC 162, SOC 255; SWK 170 |
| BRIDGES | Take one course from each listed category (minimum 1 credit each) |
| Speaking and Listening | [SPC 155] |
| Ethics and Reasoning | BUS 140; [SPC 155] |
| Diversity and Practice | ART 156, ART 158; MED 158; PSY 267; SOC 170; [SPC 155] |
| Learning and Doing | [HPE 157]; [SPC 155] |
| CAPSTONE | Minimum 2 credits (no current equivalencies) |

BRICKS and Prior Degree Completion

Students who complete an Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), or bachelor's degree from an accredited institution* prior to enrollment in a degree-seeking program at Ohio University will receive transfer credit equivalent to fulfilling Ohio University's BRICKS general education requirements in Foundations (excluding the Advanced Writing component, which requires completion of an equivalent course), Pillars, and Arches. Students who have not completed an approved degree will have their courses evaluated individually to determine appropriate general education requirement fulfillment. *Institutions must be accredited by regional accrediting commissions recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) to qualify.



Integrated Healthcare Major Courses

Choose no more than 3 total courses at Westmoreland County Community College

Foundational Courses

Complete all four courses with a minimum combined 2.0 GPA

Courses completed through Westmoreland County Community College or OHIO Online.

| OHIO Course Name | OHIO Course Number | Westmoreland County Community College Course Number |
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| Introduction to Public Health | HLTH 2000 | |
| Survey of Human Disease | IHS 3020 | |
| Overview of Healthcare Advocacy | IHS 3240 | |
| Research and Evidence-based Practice in Healthcare | IHS 3520 | |

Healthcare Professions and Services Courses

Complete two courses. Courses completed through Westmoreland County Community College or OHIO Online.

| OHIO Course Name | OHIO Course Number | Westmoreland County Community College Course Number |
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| Introduction to Communication Disorders | CSD 1080 | |
| Foundations of Health Education | HLTH 2030 | HPE 156 |
| Health System Organization, Financing, and Delivery | HLTH 2170 | |
| Introduction to Nutrition | NUTR 1000 | FSM 159 |
| Introduction to Social Work and Social Welfare | SW 1000 | HMS 155, SWK 155 or SWK 163 |

Professional Skills Development Courses

Complete one course in each area. Courses completed through Westmoreland County Community College or OHIO Online.

General education courses that may also satisfy program requirements are inside brackets [].

| OHIO Course Name | OHIO Course Number | Westmoreland County Community College Course Number |
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| Interprofessional Education and Practice in Healthcare (complete one of the following): | HDFS 4070, IHS 2112, [IHS 2220], IHS 2820, IHS 3250, [IHS 4430], IHS 4510, IHS 4518 | |
| Leadership and Critical Thinking (complete one of the following): | [EH 4710], [IHS 2215], IHS 4200, IHS 4303, [IHS 4447], HLTH 3350, [HLTH 4445], [T3 4725] | |
| Communication (complete one of the following): | [HLTH 3400J], [IHS 3700], [NRSE 3700J] | |
| Additional Communication Requirement (complete one of the following): | [COMS 1030], COMS 2040, COMS 2050, COMS 2060, COMS 3060, COMS 3400, COMS 3410, COMS 4110, CSD 1110, CSD 1120, EH 4000, HLTH 2300 | [SPC 155], SPC 157, or ALH 122 |

Healthcare Perspectives Courses

Complete all of the following courses through Westmoreland County Community College or OHIO Online

| OHIO Course Name | OHIO Course Number | Westmoreland County Community College Course Number |
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| Sociocultural (complete a minimum of four courses from the following): | [AAS 4693], HDFS 2710, HDFS 3800, HDFS 4640, HDFS 4670, HDFS 4760, [COMS 1100 or COMS 1100C], [CSD 2140], CSD 3000, HLTH 2020 or HLTH 2020C, HLTH 2040, HLTH 2050, HLTH 2100, HLTH 2901, [HLTH 2230], IHS 3403, [IHS 3600], IHS 4245, [IHS 4246], IHS 4400, IHS 4404, [IHS 4514], NUTR 4320, NUTR 4932, NUTR 4960, [SW 2601C], SW 3263, SW 3273, SW 3293, T3 4300 | PSY 161, [HPE 157] |
| Global (complete a minimum of two courses from the following): | [BIOS 2250], BIOS 4440, [GEOG 1310], HLTH 2150, HLTH 4120, [IHS 2190], [IHS 2210], IHS 2235, [IHS 2290], [IHS 3010], IHS 3222, INST 2700, NRSE 2420 | |

Additional Requirements

Complete the following courses to reach a total of 120 credit hours through Westmoreland County Community College or OHIO Online

| OHIO Course Name | OHIO Course Number | Westmoreland County Community College Course Number |
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| Electives (Complete at least 4 courses). Elective coursework provides students with opportunities to explore areas of interest, complete general education requirements, or earn credits toward a certificate or minor. | Work with Academic Advisor for appropriate course selection: [BIOS 1030], [BIOS 2210], EH 3200, HTCH 2000, HLTH 3400, HST 2980, IHS 3521, [IHS 3934], [PSY 1010], [PSY 1110], [PSY 2210], [PSY 2410], [PSY 2510], [PSY 2710], PSY 3250, [PSY 4720] | [BIO 265], [PSY 160], [PSY 163], [PSY 260], [PSY 265], [PSY 270] |
| Capstone (BRICKS Capstone courses may also satisfy program requirements) | [AAS 4693], [EH 4710], [IHS 4430], [IHS 4447], [PSY 4720], [T3 4725] | |

Disclaimer:

The information on this guide is based on the catalog requirements posted in the 2025-2026 Ohio University catalog and related Westmoreland County Community College equivalents as of the Last Updated date. All information is subject to change without notice. Students must complete a minimum of 120 total semester hours, are responsible for tracking their degree completion on their DARS, and are encouraged to work with an Ohio University academic advisor in their degree planning. Courses are subject to availability at each institution. It is suggested that students meet with an advisor to discuss course selection based on offered options.

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