



Clinical Doctorate to PhD

PhD in Healthcare Education

Program Overview

The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Healthcare Education at William Carey University prepares doctoral-level clinical practitioners for faculty roles, including tenure-track positions that require a PhD. The program is designed to develop healthcare professionals as educators and researchers, equipping them to contribute meaningfully in both the classroom and the healthcare field. Earn a terminal degree that empowers you to share your expertise and help shape the next generation of healthcare professionals.

Flexible and Convenient

- Annual Fall admission
- May be completed part time in 6 terms, 2 years
- **ONLINE FORMAT:** This program utilizes an online delivery format. Coursework is online, with two required on-campus intensives at the Hattiesburg, MS campus.

Curriculum:

- 43 credit hours of coursework
- 17 credit hours awarded for a practice doctoral degree
- Written comprehensive examination to determine mastery of the PhD content
- Each student must complete a **GUIDED DISSERTATION**
 - Research courses are developed to help the students understand the research process and design essential components of a dissertation
 - *A Dissertation committee will be provided*

Courses include the following:

HAE 704 - Intro to Healthcare Program & Curriculum Development
HAE 705 - Role Development for the Academic Healthcare Educator
HAE 706 - Teaching Strategies & Evaluation of Student Learning
HAE 720 - Human Resources in Healthcare Administration & Education
HAE 721 - Creating an Online Educational Environment
HAE 725 - Advanced Curriculum Assessment & Evaluation
HAE 726 - Role Perspective in Healthcare & Practicum
HAE 734 - Program Evaluation in Healthcare

HAE 797 - Advanced Research Methods & Designs
HAE 798 - Research Dissertation Development
HAE 800 - Statistics
HAE 806 - Dissertation Process I
HAE 807 - Dissertation Process II
HAE 808 - Dissertation Process III
HAE 809 - Dissertation Process IV

Admission Requirements

To be admitted as a regular student, the applicant will:

- Submit a completed application to the William Carey University graduate school
- Submit official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended
- Submit a 1-2 page scholarly narrative on a personal philosophy of healthcare education and goals
- Submit a current curriculum vitae
- Submit three recommendations: two from individuals who can attest to research and scholarship ability, and one personal reference. The reference form will be emailed to the references entered into the online application.
- Submit a completed criminal background history attestation. The required criminal background check will be completed at orientation and must result in a clear record of specific violations.
- Have earned a doctoral degree in a health-related field from an accredited college or university.
- Have earned a GPA of ≥ 3.0 on all doctoral- level courses.
- Be eligible to re-enter any previously attended college or university in good standing. If previously enrolled in a PhD program, the applicant must provide a letter of good standing from that program.
- Provide a current copy of an unencumbered license, registry, or certification. with no pending legal or state board action. Unencumbered licensure must be maintained throughout enrollment in the program.
- Demonstrate computer literacy involving proficiency in word processing, email correspondence, and the internet.

Pre-Program Requirements:

Successful progression through the program requires the following:

- Demonstrate competency in scholarly writing prior to taking courses within the program through one of the following options:
 - Submission of a GRE Analytical Writing Score of ≥ 3.5 within the last five years
 - OR
 - Passing HAE 799 - Academic Writing for Doctoral Students with a grade of B or better, or a successful review of a writing submission
- Email healthprofessions@wmcarey.edu for the guidelines pertaining to the writing submission.
- Demonstrate competency in statistics as evidenced by one of the following options:
 - A grade of A or B in an undergraduate or graduate level statistics course within the past 10 years,
 - OR
 - Substantial experience in healthcare research projects prior to taking HAE 797 Advanced Research Methods & Designs and HAE 8000-Statistics.

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