

# ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.S. Health Sciences/  
B.S. Health Administration - All Concentrations  
*Online Option Available*  
**2023-2024**

## A.S. Health Sciences

### ADVANCE Program Milestones

**ADVANCE Milestone Requirements:** All ADVANCE students must adhere to the following requirements. For Milestones #1-#3, failure to meet these milestones will prevent a student from matriculating to Mason and/or result in termination from ADVANCE. For Milestones #4-#7, failure to meet these milestones may delay matriculation to Mason.

1. Students must complete their NOVA degree within 4 years of being admitted into ADVANCE. Students are **highly encouraged** to be continuously enrolled at NOVA/Mason to support progress towards degree completion.
2. Students must maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA at NOVA and must have a minimum 2.5 GPA upon matriculation to Mason.
3. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the fall semester must apply for NOVA spring graduation by March 1 or summer graduation by June 1. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the spring semester must apply for NOVA fall graduation by October 1.
4. Students must begin developmental coursework no later than the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
5. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MDE or EDE courses (excluding summer).
6. In the first 30 credits, students must complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
7. Students must complete a Mason Core Quantitative Reasoning course equivalent with a C or better no later than one semester before NOVA graduation. Refer to your pathway to select the appropriate MTH course(s).

	NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	SDV 101 Orientation to Healthcare <b>OR</b> SDV 100 College Success Skills	UNIV 100	General Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I <sup>1</sup>	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3	BIO 101	4	BIO 101 General Biology I	BIOL 103/105	Nat Science
4	MTH 154	3	MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 106	General Elective
5	PSY 200 or 230	3	PSY 200 Principles of Psychology <b>OR</b> PSY 230 Developmental Psychology	PSYC 100 PSYC 211	Major
6	HIM 111	3	HIM 111 Medical Terminology I	HAP 202	Major
7	BIO 102	4	BIO 102 General Biology II	BIOL 102	Nat Science
8	ENG 112	3	ENG 112 College Composition II <sup>1</sup>	ENGH XXX	General Elective
9	CST 229	3	CST 229 Intercultural Communication	COMM L305	Global Understanding
10	Transfer Elective #1	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking <b>OR</b> CST 110 Introduction to Human Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Oral Comm
11	Humanities/Fine Arts #1	3	ART 100 Art Appreciation <b>OR</b> ART 101 History of Art: Prehistoric to Gothic <b>OR</b> ART 102 History of Art: Renaissance to Modern <b>OR</b> CST 130 Introduction to Theatre <b>OR</b> CST 151 Film Appreciation I <b>OR</b> MUS 121 Music in Society	ARTH 101 ARTH 200 ARTH 201 THR 101 ENGH L372 MUSI 101	Arts
12	Social/Behavioral Sciences	3	ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics	ECON 103	Soc/Behav & Major
13	Transfer Elective #2	3	ITE 152 Introduction to Digital and Information Literacy and Computer Applications	IT 104	Info Tech & Major
14	Transfer Elective #3	3	PHI 227 Biomedical Ethics <b>Fully online students may need to select an alternative transfer elective, depending on virtual availability, and take HAP 310 at Mason</b>	HAP L310	Major
15	MTH 245 or Higher	3	MTH 245 Statistics I	STAT 250	Quantitative & Major
16	HIS Course	3	HIS 101 Western Civilizations Pre-1600 CE <b>OR</b> HIS 102 Western Civilizations Post-1600 CE <b>OR</b> HIS 112 World Civilizations Post-1500 CE ( <i>recommended</i> )	HIST 101 HIST 102 HIST 125	Global History

17	Humanities/Fine Arts #2	3	ENG 225 Reading Literature <b>OR</b> ENG 245 British Literature <b>OR</b> ENG 246 American Literature <b>OR</b> ENG 255 World Literature <b>OR</b> ENG 258 African American Literature <b>OR</b> ENG 275 Women in Literature <b>OR</b> Any 200-Level ENG Literature course <sup>2</sup>	ENGH 202 or FRLN L330 (ENG 255 only)	Literature
18	Science Course	4	CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry <b>OR</b> ENV 121 General Environmental Science I <b>OR</b> GOL 105 Physical Geology <b>OR</b> PHY 100 Elements of Physics	CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 GEOL 101/103 PHYS 103	General Elective
19	Transfer Elective #4	3	HLT 230 Principles of Nutrition	NUTR 295	Major
20	Transfer Elective #5	3	HAP 201 Health Professions Careers (offered online)	HAP 201	Major

**A. S. HEALTH SCIENCES DEGREE TOTAL** 61

For academic policies and procedures, please see NOVA catalog - <http://www.nvcc.edu/catalog/index.html>

**B.S. Health Administration - All Concentrations**

Students must select a concentration in Assisted Living/Senior Housing Administration or Health Systems Management.

	MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
21	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper level)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
22	Major Requirements	3	GCH 300 Introduction to Public Health	Major
23	Major Requirements	3	HAP 301 Health Care Delivery in US	Major
24	Major Requirements	3	HAP 309 Healthcare Accounting	Major
25	Major Requirements	0-3	HAP 310 Healthcare Ethics (if PHI 227 is not completed at NOVA)	Major
26	Major Requirements	3	HAP 312 Healthcare Law	Major
27	Major Requirements	3	HAP 360 Intro to Health Info Systems	Major
28	Major Requirements	3	HAP 416 Leadership and Management Health Systems I	Major
29	Major Requirements	3	HAP 392 Human Resources Management in Healthcare	Major
30	Major Requirements	3	HAP 395 Health Care Finance	Major
31	Major Requirements	3	HAP 396 Strategic Health Management and Planning	Major
32	Major Requirements	3	<b>Assisted Living/Senior Housing concentration:</b> HAP 403 Assisted Living/Senior Housing Management and Philosophy <b>Health Systems Management concentrations:</b> HAP 430 Process Improvement in Healthcare Organizations	Major
33	Major Requirements	3	HAP 417 Leadership and Management of Health Systems II	Major
34	Major Requirements	3	<b>Assisted Living/Senior Housing concentration:</b> HAP 408 Societal and Health Related Needs of the Aging Population <b>Health Systems Management concentrations:</b> HAP 445 Introduction to Health Services Research	Major
35	Major Requirements	3	HAP 425 Health Economics and Policy	Major
36	Major Requirements	3	<b>Assisted Living/Senior Housing concentration:</b> ASHA Elective <sup>3</sup> <b>Health Systems Management concentration:</b> HAP 410 Introduction to Health/Medical Practice Management	Major
37	Major Requirements	3	<b>Assisted Living/Senior Housing concentration:</b> ASHA Elective <sup>3</sup> <b>Health Systems Management concentration:</b> HAP 442 Introduction to Health Care Politics and Policy	Major
38	Major Requirements	3	HAP 489 Pre-Internship Seminar	Major

39	Major Requirements	3	Public Health Electives <sup>4</sup>	Major
40	Major Requirements	3	HAP 465 Integration of Professional Skills and Issues	Writing Intensive & Synthesis
41	Gen Ed: Synthesis	4	HAP 498 Health Administration Internship	Major

**B.S. HEALTH ADMIN DEGREE 122-125**  
**TOTAL**

Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University while attending NOVA. Failure to complete your co-enrollment course(s) while attending NOVA can significantly affect your timeline for Mason graduation. Please see your ADVANCE Coach for more information and to enroll.

**Please note: Some fully online courses may require a campus presence for orientations, tests, final exams, or labs.**

**Important Academic Information:**

- <sup>1</sup>Students who complete ENG 111 after Spring 2024 will earn ENGH elective for ENG 111 and ENGH 101 for ENG 112.
- <sup>2</sup>200-level ENG literature classes include: ENG 225, ENG 230, ENG 236, ENG 237, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 250, ENG 255, ENG 256, ENG 257, ENG 258, ENG 271, ENG 275, and ENG 279
- <sup>3</sup>Choose two of the following courses: GCH 480, NUTR 422, SOCW 435, PSYC 415, PSYC 418, or EDAT 410
- <sup>4</sup>200-level and above course with prefix of GCH, HAP, NURS, NUTR, PH, SOCW, or a course pre-approved by concentration coordinator.

**Additional General Notes & Resources:**

- A minimum grade of C must be obtained in all major requirements (58 - 64 credits). A minimum grade of C must also be obtained in ECON 103 in order for a student to enroll in HAP 425.
- Students who complete a VCCS transfer associate degree (AS, AA, & AFA) will receive a waiver of the Foundation and Exploration (lower division) Mason Core general education categories. To be eligible for the waiver, the students must provide the Mason Office of Admissions with a final, official transcript reflecting the degree conferral date. As a prerequisite for ENGH 302, ENGH 101 is not waived. Students must complete ENGH 100 or ENGH 101, or an equivalent, with a C or higher.
- For academic policies and procedures, please see Mason catalog - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/>
- Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation.