The Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences program is designed to prepare the student to enter allied health and other health related fields. The health sciences program focuses on providing the student with a strong foundation through general education and health science-based curriculum with a focus on health care leadership skills, financial principles, management strategies, and standards to improve patient care.

The degree completion emphasis is off-campus/online and is designed uniquely for health and human sciences professionals. Applicants must be practicing health or human sciences professionals who hold a current professional credential, certificate, or license in a health or human sciences field and have completed an applied associates degree program or equivalent number of credits. The professional credential, certificate or license must be in the field in which the degree was earned.

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2 See [MCC Course Catalog](http://www.niu.edu/admissions/_pdf/articulation-tables/mchenry.pdf) for options and select with an MCC academic advisor.
### Additional MCC courses to meet NIU general education and/or major core requirements:
- ENG 152 (3)  
- ENGL 203 – Rhetoric and Composition II  
- Humanities (3)  
- Select course to meet NIU Creativity and Critical Analysis Requirement
- MAT 120 (3)  
- STAT 208 – Statistics  
- PSY 250 (3)  
- HDFS 280 – Human Development  
(12 credit hours)

### Proficiency Credits
- AAS-HIT graduates meeting the B.S. in Health Sciences – degree completion emphasis Admission requirements at noted below.
- UHHS 300 (8) – Experiences in HHS I
(30 credits)

### Major Core Courses to be taken through NIU (Online)
- NIU Course Number  
- NIU Course Title
  - GER 365 (3)  
  - Overview of Gerontology
  - HSCI 310 (3)  
  - Introduction to HHS
  - HSCI 350 (3)  
  - Critical Thinking for HHS Professions
  - HSCI 410 (3)  
  - Legal & Ethical Issues
  - HSCI 430 (3)  
  - Working with Diverse Populations in HHS
  - HSCI 450 (3)  
  - Administration for Professionals in HHS
  - HSCI 455 (3)  
  - Resource Allocation in HHS
  - HSCI 460 (3)  
  - Introduction to Research in HHS
  - HSCI 490 (1)  
  - Capstone in Health Sciences
  - *PHHE 295 or approved elective (3)  
  - Introduction to Public Health
  - REHB 200 (3)  
  - Disability in Society
(31 credit hours)

### Electives for 120 hours required for graduation:
Electives to meet minimum required hours at NIU can be selected by student. May be taken at MCC or NIU. Student must consult with NIU advisor prior to selecting electives.
(19 credits)
Admission to the Baccalaureate Completion Program

- Admission to NIU as a regular degree seeking student – refer to Office of Admissions for application deadlines for regular university admission: http://www.niu.edu/apply/index.shtml

- Completed AAS in Health Information Technology

- Submit online application for the B.S. in Health Sciences – degree completion emphasis (after admission to NIU), The degree completion application includes submitting a written professional goals statement and copies of appropriate professional credentials, certificates, or license

Academic Advising

All NIU students must meet university graduation and general education (GE) requirements. Degree completion students work with an advisor to identify GE deficiencies and monitor progress toward completion of these and other university graduation requirements (i.e. 120 total credit hours with at least 30 hours from NIU.)

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