

# Academic Rhode Map for BS Health Care Administration Major at Rhode Island College

- This Rhode Map is a suggested pathway to graduation in 8 semesters
  - There are other valid pathways available to graduation - part time, summer/early spring classes, etc.
- The left column contains the suggested courses for each semester, the right column contains notes for the course and about progress towards graduation
- Some courses might not be offered during the semester shown on the map
  - In these cases, courses listed in future semesters can be substituted if their prerequisites have been satisfied
  - Your advisor can help you determine which courses can be used during your appointment each semester
- This Rhode Map is designed primarily with incoming freshmen in mind and assumes a Fall start
  - Transfer students can also use it as a guide, knowing that their transfer credits may have satisfied some requirements. Academic advisors are available to answer questions about how these will affect the program
  - Students starting in the spring may need to adjust based on class offerings and availability

## GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

<b>FYW 100</b> – Taken in first year (Cannot be used as elective)	<b>Distribution Courses -</b>  One from each category	<b>Math (M)</b> - Suggested in first year Can be satisfied by MATH 240
<b>FYS 100</b> – Taken in first year (Cannot be used as elective)		<b>Arts (A)</b>
		<b>History/Philosophy (HP)</b>
		<b>Literature/Language (LL)</b>
		<b>Natural Science (NS)</b>
<b>Connections</b> – Taken after FYW & FYS		<b>Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences (SB)</b>
		<b>Elective(s) for 40 total Gen Ed credits (E)</b>

## MAJOR REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

BIOL 108 Basic Principles of Biology	HCA 461W Seminar in Strategic Health
ACCT 201 Principles of Accounting I: Financial	HCA 467 Internship in Health Care Administration
CIS 251 Computers in Management OR CIS 252 Introduction to Information Systems	MATH 240 Statistical Methods I OR MATH 248 Business Statistics
ECON 214 Principles of Microeconomics	MGT 201W Foundations of Management
ENGL 230W Workplace Writing	MGT 320 Human Resource Management
HCA 201W Introduction to Health Care Systems	MKT 201W Introduction to Marketing
HCA 302 Health Care Organizations	PSYC 221 Research Methods I: Foundations <i>Prereq = PSYC 110</i>
HCA 303W Health Policy and Contemporary Issues (Sp)	<b>Three additional courses</b> Recommendation is to take all three from one of the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gerontology</li> <li>• Human Resource Management</li> <li>• Informatics</li> <li>• Management Foundations</li> <li>• Wellness (see end of map for more detail).</li> </ul>
HCA 330 Health Care Finance or FIN 301 Managerial Finance	
HCA 355 Quality Management/ Improvement in Health Care	
HCA 401W Ethical and Legal Issues in HCA	

### Graduation Requirements:

- **Completion of General Education Requirements** – See table above
- **Completion of Major Requirements** — See table above
- **BUSI 100 or Equivalent (eg. RIC 100)** — Taken in first year
- **College Math Milestone** — Satisfied by placement exam or completion of MATH 010
- **College Writing Competency** — Satisfied by FYW 100 with a minimum grade of C
- **Minimum 120 Credit Hours** — At least 30 credits at RIC (of which 15 from major, including 12 at 300 or 400 level)
- **Minimum GPA** - 2.0 overall

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<b>SEMESTER 1</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>SEMESTER 1 NOTES</b>
First Year Writing (FYW 100) <b>OR</b> First Year Seminar (FYS 100)	<b>4</b>	FYW Directed Self Placement exam
BUSI 100 Introduction to Business at RIC	<b>2</b>	Exempt if taking/taken COLL 101, COLL 150, HONR 150, or RIC 100
General Education Course	<b>3-4</b>	Gen Ed Math (M) can be satisfied by MATH 240
General Education Course (Any still needed)	<b>3-4</b>	Gen Ed (SB) can be satisfied by PSYC 110, which is needed as a prerequisite for PYSC 221 (Semester 4)
BIOL 108 Basic Principles of Biology (Gen Ed NS)	<b>4</b>	Prereq = Math Milestone
<b>Requirements and GPA</b>		<i>Aim for 16 earned credits (While 12 is fulltime, 16 credits are preferred to stay on track to graduate in 4 years). Math Milestone completed. Minimum 2.0 GPA</i>
<b># CREDITS EARNED</b>	<b>16</b> <b>-18</b>	<i>By October, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

<b>SEMESTER 2</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>SEMESTER 2 NOTES</b>
First Year Writing (FYW 100) <b>OR</b> First Year Seminar (FYS 100)	<b>4</b>	
General Education Course (Any still needed)	<b>3-4</b>	
General Education Course (Any still needed)	<b>3-4</b>	
General Education Course (Any still needed)	<b>3-4</b>	
<b>Requirements and GPA</b>		<i>Need a minimum of 30 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
<b># CREDITS EARNED</b>	<b>13</b> <b>-16</b>	<i>By March, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

<b>SEMESTER 3</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>SEMESTER 3 NOTES</b>
ACCT 201 Principles of Accounting I: Financial	<b>3</b>	Prerequisite = 30 earned credits
ENGL 230W Workplace Writing	<b>4</b>	Prerequisite = FYW or College Writing Requirement
MGT 201W Foundations of Management	<b>4</b>	Prerequisite = FYS and FYW
General Education Course (Any still needed)	<b>3-4</b>	
<b>Requirements and GPA</b>		<i>Need minimum of 45 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
<b># CREDITS EARNED</b>	<b>14</b> <b>-15</b>	<i>By October, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

<b>SEMESTER 4</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>SEMESTER 4 NOTES</b>
ECON 214 Microeconomics	<b>3</b>	Prerequisite = Math Milestone completed
CIS 251 Computers in Management <b>OR</b> CIS 252 Introduction to Information Systems	<b>4</b>	Prerequisite = 15 earned credits
HCA 201W Introduction to Health Care Systems	<b>3</b>	Prereq = pursuing major in HCA
PSYC 221 Research Methods I: Foundations	<b>3</b>	Prereq = PSYC 110
General Education Course (Any still needed)	<b>3-4</b>	
<b>Requirements and GPA</b>		<i>Need minimum of 60 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
<b># CREDITS EARNED</b>	<b>16</b> <b>-17</b>	<i>By March, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

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<b>SEMESTER 5</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>SEMESTER 5 NOTES</b>
MGT 320 Human Resource Management	<b>4</b>	Prereqs = MGT 201 or MGT 201W or 301
MKT 201W Introduction to Marketing	<b>4</b>	Prereq = FYS and FYW
HCA 330 Health Care Finance <b>OR</b> FIN 301 Managerial Finance	<b>3-4</b>	HCA 330 prereq = MGT 201 or MGT 201W or 301 FIN 301 prereq = MATH 177 and ACCT 201
General Education Course (Any still needed)	<b>3-4</b>	
<b>Requirements and GPA</b>		<i>Aim for minimum of 75 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
<b># CREDITS EARNED</b>	<b>14</b> <b>-16</b>	<i>By October, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

<b>SEMESTER 6</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>SEMESTER 6 NOTES</b>
HCA 302 Health Care Organizations	<b>3</b>	Prereq = HCA 201 or HCA 201W or NURS 201
HCA 303W Health Policy and Contemporary Issues	<b>3</b>	Prereqs = HCA 201 or HCA 201W or NURS 201
MATH 240 Statistical Methods I <b>OR</b> MATH 248 Business Statistics I	<b>4</b>	Prerequisite MATH 240 = math competency, or placement math exam. MATH 240 satisfies Gen Ed Math (M) Prerequisite MATH 248 = MATH 177 (which is a Gen Ed. Math) and MATH 248 is a Gen Ed. Elective.
Restricted Elective from one of the given categories below, or General Education Course (Any still needed)	<b>2-4</b>	
General Education Course (Any still needed)	<b>3-4</b>	
<b>Requirements and GPA</b>		<i>Aim for minimum of 90 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major. Apply for degree audit online through MyRIC</i>
<b># CREDITS EARNED</b>	<b>16</b> <b>-18</b>	<i>By March, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

<b>SEMESTER 7</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>SEMESTER 7 NOTES</b>
Gen Ed - Connections	<b>4</b>	Prereqs = FYW and FYS
HCA 355 Quality Management/Improvement in Health Care	<b>3</b>	Prereq = HCA 302 or NURS 302, MGT 201 or MGT 201W or MGT 301, MATH 240
HCA 401W Ethical and Legal Issues in HCA	<b>3</b>	Prereqs = HCA 201W or NURS 201
Restricted Elective from one of the given categories below	<b>2-4</b>	Varied prerequisites--check catalog
<b>Requirements and GPA</b>		<i>Aim for minimum of 105 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
<b># CREDITS EARNED</b>	<b>12-14</b>	<i>By October, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

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<b>SEMESTER 8</b>	<b>CR</b>	<b>SEMESTER 8 NOTES</b>
HCA 461 Seminar in Strategic Health	<b>3</b>	Prereqs =completion of all major and cognate courses (except electives and HCA 467)
HCA 467 Internship in Health Care Admin.	<b>4</b>	Prereq = Completion of all major and cognate courses (except for electives or HCA 461W), or be concurrently enrolled in any outstanding courses, or have permission from the program director
Restricted Elective from one of the given categories below	<b>2-4</b>	Varied prerequisites--check catalog
Restricted Elective from one of the given categories below	<b>3-4</b>	Varied prerequisites--check catalog; need to take 12 credit to be full time.
<b>Requirements and GPA</b>		<i>Need minimum of 120 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
<b># CREDITS EARNED</b>	<b>12</b> <b>-15</b>	<i>Attend Gradfest and Commencement</i>

Required Electives: THREE to be taken; while these may be taken from any of the categories it is recommended that they all be taken from the same one.

<b>Gerontology</b>	GRTL/NURS 314 Health of Aging HCA 403 Long-Term Care Administration HCA 404 Long-Term Care Laws and Regulations	SOC 217 Aging and Society SOC 320 Law and the Elderly
<b>Human Resource Management</b>	MGT 322 Organizational Behavior MGT 423 Compensation and Benefits Administration (F)	MGT 425 Recruitment and Selection (F) MGT 428 Human Resource Development (Sp) MGT 430 Strategic Human Resource Management (Sp)
<b>Informatics</b>	CIS 440 Issues in Computer Security CIS 455W Database Programming	HCA 402 Health Care Informatics
<b>Management Foundations</b>	ACCT 202 Principles of Accounting II: Managerial COMM 230 Interpersonal Communication MKT 349 Service Operations Management (F)	MKT 334 Consumer Behavior POL 301W Foundations of Public Administration (F)
<b>Wellness</b>	ANTH 309 Medical Anthropology HPE 406 Program Planning in Health Promotion	PSYC 424 Health Psychology SOC 314 The Sociology of Health and Illness

### NOTE:

- The total number of credits needed for the major, general education, and other requirements may be less than the 120 required for graduation. Those remaining credits can be satisfied with electives, or they can be used toward a second major or minor which could be very useful.
  - Along with your advisor, this Rhode Map can help you determine if a second major or minor could fit into your plan

**The total credit count for the major is 72-78 credits, and 40 credits for General Education. However, 8 Gen. Ed. credits for M and NS can double count, so the program can be completed in 104-110 credits.**

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