Division of Health Care Management Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Care Management <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u>

Q: What is Health Care Management (HCM)?

A: Health Care Management is a profession that applies administration concepts to manage the resources of health care facilities.

Q: What do health care management professionals do?

A: Health Care Management professionals plan, organize, direct, control, and coordinate the resources of health care organizations. Health care managers ensure that health care is provided in a cost-effective and humane manner.

Q: Is the Health Care Management program accredited?

A: Yes. The HCM program has been fully certified by the Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) since 1984.

Q: What is the admissions process?

A: The Bachelor of Science in Health Care Management curriculum is divided into a preprofessional curriculum and a professional curriculum. Eligibility for the professional curriculum includes successful completion of 90% of the pre-professional courses. Specifically, students must satisfy the General Education and foreign language requirements.

Q: Is an internship required to complete the program?

A: Yes. A twelve-week administrative internship is required to complete the degree program. Students must enroll in the internship course (HSA4850) to receive credit. Examples of internship placement sites include hospitals, clinics, government agencies, nursing facilities, mental health centers, and community-based health care organizations.

Q: Is a criminal background check required prior to internship placement?

A: Yes. Students must pay for and submit to a criminal background check. After students have been cleared, they will be eligible for internship placement.

Q: In what settings do HCM graduates begin their careers?

A: Clinics, Health Insurance Companies, Healthcare Associations, Hospitals, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Assisted Living Facilities, Group Practices, Mental Health Clinics, Rehabilitation Centers, Managed Care Organizations, Government Agencies, and Community Health Centers.