

Healthcare Policy and Management

Academic Planning Worksheet 2026-2027

Simmons University

Office of Undergraduate Advising

Notes:

- Simmons requires that all undergraduates complete a minimum of 128 credits of coursework, fulfill PLAN and major/program requirements, and submit a Senior Audit form to graduate.
- You may declare a major after you have earned 32 credits. You must declare a major prior to earning 80 credits.

Core Requirements

Majors will complete a core of the following courses.

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Completed
BUS 100CD	Introduction to Business and Management	4	
BUS 239CD	Health Care Finance	4	
COMM 312CD	Health Communications (Global Cultural KCA)	4	
PH 101CD	Introduction to Public Health	4	
PH 201CD	Introduction to Epidemiology	4	
PH 345CD	Health Care Systems and Policy	4	
SOCI 241CD	Health, Illness, and Society (Social Historical KCA)	4	
STAT 118CD	Introduction to Statistics (Quantitative Literacy)	4	

Capstone

Health Care Policy and Management seniors will complete their capstone requirement by taking the **Public Health Internship Senior Seminar** (PH 370CD) or **Project-Based Learning** (BUS 370CD).

If they choose to pursue the Public Health Internship, they will undertake a minimum one semester senior internship, though a two semester senior internship in the Fall and/or Spring semester is possible. All PH370CD students will make a poster presentation and submit an internship paper as the final products of their capstone experience. Arrangements for satisfying the capstone requirement must be made with the student's Health Care Policy and Management advisor before the end of their Junior year.

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Completed
		4	

Electives

Students must choose two additional elective courses from the list below.

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Completed
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Students must also complete two elective courses from this list:

BUS 234CD Organizational Communication & Behavior

BUS 270CD Business Analytics
 PH 235CD Introduction to Public Health Promotion
 SW 200CD Social Welfare Policy
 SOCI 239CD Introduction to Social Research
 SOCI 245CD Global Health

PLAN Requirements

PLAN (Purpose Leadership ActionN) is the Simmons undergraduate general education program. Some PLAN requirements can be fulfilled with courses required for this major, as indicated below. Additional PLAN requirements may be fulfilled through electives. PLAN requirements, with the exception of the capstone, are waived for students who have an associate's degree from an accredited institution. We highly recommend that you work closely with your advisor(s) to choose all of your courses.

Course Title		Credits	Completed
Math*: 1) Students who do not pass the mathematics competency placement exam by orientation or who do not meet the math competency requirement in one of the other ways described above must take MATH 101CD in the first semester it is available.		0/4	
CNCT 101: Simmons Connect**		3	
LDR 201: Gender and Leadership		4	
CDA 201: Cross-Disciplinary Approaches to Public Issues		6	
CNCT 201: Pathways to Career and Leadership (Recommended after CDA)		1	
3D Design Across Diverse Disciplines *** (Students work on this requirement while enrolled in CNCT 201)		12	
Requirements		Course Selected	
Language & Culture****: Two (additional) Global Cultural (GC) courses			4
			4
Quantitative Literacy (QL)			4
Key Content Areas ***** (KCA's)	Aesthetic, Literary, and Artistic (ALA)		4
	Global Cultural (GC)		4
	Scientific Inquiry (SCI)		4
	Social and Historical (SH)		4

**Students must satisfy the math competency requirement during their first semester at Simmons. Students who do not pass the mathematics competency exam by the end of their first semester or who do not meet the math competency requirement must take MATH 101 in the first semester it is available.*

***We highly encourage all students to take Simmons Connect in their first semester, and we recommend this course for all students, even those who enter with an associate's degree.*

****The 3D (Design Across Diverse Disciplines) requirement may be met with one course in your major and two additional courses (which may also satisfy KCA requirements).*

*****KCA requirements may be satisfied by courses in your major, LC courses, and/or 3D courses.*

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