Today’s healthcare system is more complex than ever and is rapidly transforming. The MPA Health Policy & Management program will give you the broad skill set and perspective you’ll need to address issues of equity, access, quality, efficiency, and cost, and help make policy that builds healthier communities. Through this program, you’ll graduate prepared to drive positive change and confront the most challenging health issues across various sectors within the healthcare industry and beyond.

Wagner’s distinct perspective allowed me to study healthcare through the broad lens of public service. The Health Policy and Management specialty equipped me with the tools to cross boundaries and improve the quality of care.”

Hailey Adler, MPA-HPAM 2020
Associate, Huron Consulting Group

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

• A mission-driven program that graduates leaders who have the skills and values to improve healthcare quality and access.

• Seasoned and collaborative students who elevate class discussion by bringing their professional experience into the classroom, and vice versa.

• An interdisciplinary approach that underscores the relationships between health and other policy arenas, such as housing, transportation, and education that affect health outcomes.

ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

The MPA-HPAM program can be completed in two years full-time or three to four years part-time, with the flexibility to switch between the two. All Wagner students take core courses together to gain essential skills in management, policy, and finance. Students also choose a specialization, each of which has a set of required courses, and take a wide range of electives.

REQUIRED CORE COURSES:
• Management & Leadership
• Financial Management
• Statistical Methods
• Microeconomics
• Introduction to Public Policy

A full list of courses can be found at wagner.nyu.edu/courses
SPECIALIZATIONS

Students must complete a total of 45 credits to graduate.

HEALTH FINANCE
offers you the option of one of two sub-specializations:

Health Financial Management:
focuses on the basic skills required to organize and interpret financial information.

Health Public Finance:
provides the concepts and skills needed for careers that focus on the financial aspects of healthcare policy and the healthcare delivery system.

INTERNATIONAL HEALTH
teaches you how health institutional structures and managerial processes vary around the world and prepares you to work in health policy and management worldwide and in diverse cultures.

HEALTH POLICY ANALYSIS
prepares you to develop and evaluate strategies to improve the efficiency of the healthcare delivery system.

HEALTH SERVICES MANAGEMENT
prepares you to make evidence-based decisions that create high-quality, cost-effective healthcare organizations, and that promote health equity and population health.

ELECTIVES
Select from a diverse range of Wagner electives allowing you to dig deeper into the topics you're passionate about.

APPLICATION COMPONENTS
- US bachelor's degree or equivalent
- Online application
- Essays
- Transcripts
- Resume
- Two letters of recommendation
- GRE or GMAT (optional)
- $85 application fee

Additional Requirements for International Applicants:
- Proof of English Language Proficiency (TOEFL, IELTS, or Duolingo scores) is required if the bachelor's degree was not conducted in English
- International Credential Evaluation is required for applicants who earned their degree outside of the US or Canada

CAPSTONE (3 CREDITS)
The Capstone Program, an essential component for all MPA students, involves a year-long consulting or research project.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT
NYU Wagner is deeply committed to education outside of the classroom. First-hand work experience in your field of choice can be a pivotal experience, and our NYC location offers countless opportunities for career exploration. NYU Wagner requires all MPA students to graduate with professional experience that is directly related to their degree program and field of interest.