LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATION - B.S.

College of Education Health and Human Services
School of Lifespan Development and Educational Services
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About This Program

The Bachelor of Science in Long-Term Care Administration prepares you for a career as a leader in long-term care administration. With a blend of theory and practice, you'll gain the skills needed to manage long-term care facilities, provide quality care to patients, and design innovative solutions to the challenges facing the industry. Graduates are eligible to apply for NHA and HSE licensure. The program is nationally accredited by NAB. Read more...

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  - Kent Campus
  - Stark Campus
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Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
  - Mostly online
  - In person
- **Location:**
  - Kent Campus (mostly online and in person)
  - Stark Campus (mostly online)

Examples of Possible Careers and Salaries*

Medical and health services managers

- 31.5% much faster than the average
- 422,300 number of jobs
- $104,280 potential earnings

Accreditation

The B.S. degree in Long-Term Care Administration is accredited by the National Association of Long Term Care Administrator Boards (NAB) and approved by the Ohio Board of Executives of Long-Term Services and Supports (BELTSS).

* Source of occupation titles and labor data comes from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics'

Occupational Outlook Handbook. Data comprises projected percent change in employment over the next 10 years; nation-wide employment numbers; and the yearly median wage at which half of the workers in the occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less.

Admission Requirements

The university affirmatively strives to provide educational opportunities and access to students with varied backgrounds, those with special talents and adult students who graduated from high school three or more years ago.

First-Year Students on the Kent Campus: First-year admission policy on the Kent Campus is selective. Admission decisions are based upon cumulative grade point average, strength of high school college preparatory curriculum and grade trends. Students not admissible to the Kent Campus may be administratively referred to one of the seven regional campuses to begin their college coursework. For more information, visit the admissions website for first-year students.

First-Year Students on the Regional Campuses: First-year admission to Kent State's campuses at Ashtabula, East Liverpool, Geauga, Salem, Stark, Trumbull and Tuscarawas, as well as the Twinsburg Academic Center, is open to anyone with a high school diploma or its equivalent. For more information on admissions, contact the Regional Campuses admissions offices.

International Students: All international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions) by earning a minimum 525 TOEFL score (71 on the Internet-based version), minimum 75 MELAB score, minimum 6.0 IELTS score or minimum 48 PTE Academic score, or by completing the ELS level 112 Intensive Program. For more information, visit the admissions website for international students.

Transfer Students: Students who have attended any other educational institution after graduating from high school must apply as undergraduate transfer students. For more information, visit the admissions website for transfer students.

Former Students: Former Kent State students or graduates who have not attended another college or university since Kent State may complete the reenrollment or reinstatement form on the University Registrar's website.

Admission policies for undergraduate students may be found in the University Catalog's Academic Policies.

Some programs may require that students meet certain requirements before progressing through the program. For programs with progression requirements, the information is shown on the program's Coursework tab.

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Major Requirements (courses count in major GPA)		
ARCH 45640	DEVELOPING ENVIRONMENTS FOR OLDER ADULTS	3
BA 44152	PROJECT MANAGEMENT	3
or HEM 13022	SANITATION AND SAFETY PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES	
BMRT 11009	INTRODUCTION TO MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGY	3
or MGMT 24163	PRINCIPLES OF MANAGEMENT	
BMRT 21000	BUSINESS LAW AND ETHICS I	3
or FIN 26074	LEGAL ENVIRONMENT OF BUSINESS	
BMRT 36415	CUSTOMER SERVICE	3
COMM 20001	INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION	3

or COMM 35863	BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION	
or COMM 36501	COMMUNICATION IN HEALTH CARE	
HDF 44018	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY SCIENCE	3
HRM 34180	HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	3
LTCA 43092	INTERNSHIP IN NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATION/HEALTH SERVICES EXECUTIVE (ELR) (min B- grade)	9
LTCA 43192	INTERNSHIP IN NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATION/HEALTH SERVICES EXECUTIVE (ELR) (min B- grade)	9
LTCA 44032	LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATION I (min B- grade)	3
LTCA 44033	LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATION II (min B- grade)	3
MGMT 34165	DYNAMICS OF LEADERSHIP	3
PH 30015	UNITED STATES HEALTH CARE SYSTEM	3
PH 30020	FUNDAMENTALS OF HEALTH PRIVACY	1
PH 30025	FUNDAMENTALS OF HEALTHCARE COMPLIANCE	1
Additional Requirements (courses do not count in major GPA)		
ACCT 23020	INTRODUCTION TO FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING	3
GERO 14029	INTRODUCTION TO GERONTOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
GERO 40656	PSYCHOLOGY OF AGING	3
GERO 44030	ADULT DEVELOPMENT AND AGING (WIC) [1]	3
HDF 24011	INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS AND FAMILIES (DIVD)	3
HED 14020	MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY	3
NUTR 23511	SCIENCE OF HUMAN NUTRITION (KBS)	3
PSYC 11762	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
RPTM 36010	RECREATION, LEISURE AND AGING	3
UC 10001	FLASHES 101	1
Kent Core Composition		6
Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning		3
Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts (minimum one course from each)		9
Kent Core Basic Sciences (must include one laboratory)		3-4
Kent Core Additional		6
General Electives (total credit hours depends on earning 120 credit hours, including 39 upper-division credit hours)		9
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		**120**

[1] A minimum C grade must be earned to fulfill the writing-intensive requirement.

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Major GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.500	2.000

Roadmap

This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses designated as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Semester One		Credits
COMM 20001 or COMM 35863 or COMM 36501	INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION or BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION or COMMUNICATION IN HEALTH CARE	3
GERO 14029	INTRODUCTION TO GERONTOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
NUTR 23511	SCIENCE OF HUMAN NUTRITION (KBS)	3
UC 10001	FLASHES 101	1
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
	Credit Hours	**16**
Semester Two		
HED 14020	MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY	3
PSYC 11762	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
	Credit Hours	**15**
Semester Three		
ACCT 23020	INTRODUCTION TO FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING	3
BMRT 11009 or MGMT 24163	INTRODUCTION TO MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGY or PRINCIPLES OF MANAGEMENT	3
HDF 24011	INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS AND FAMILIES (DIVD)	3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
	Credit Hours	**15**
Semester Four		
BA 44152 or HEM 13022	PROJECT MANAGEMENT or SANITATION AND SAFETY PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES	3
HRM 34180	HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
General Electives		6
	Credit Hours	**18**
Semester Five		
BMRT 21000 or FIN 26074	BUSINESS LAW AND ETHICS I or LEGAL ENVIRONMENT OF BUSINESS	3
BMRT 36415	CUSTOMER SERVICE	3
GERO 40656	PSYCHOLOGY OF AGING	3
PH 30015	UNITED STATES HEALTH CARE SYSTEM	3
PH 30020	FUNDAMENTALS OF HEALTH PRIVACY	1
PH 30025	FUNDAMENTALS OF HEALTHCARE COMPLIANCE	1
General Elective		3
	Credit Hours	**17**
Semester Six		
ARCH 45640	DEVELOPING ENVIRONMENTS FOR OLDER ADULTS	3
GERO 44030	ADULT DEVELOPMENT AND AGING (WIC)	3
HDF 44018	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY SCIENCE	3
LTCA 44032	LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATION I	3
MGMT 34165	DYNAMICS OF LEADERSHIP	3
	Credit Hours	**15**

Semester Seven

LTCA 43092	INTERNSHIP IN NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATION/HEALTH SERVICES EXECUTIVE (ELR)	9
RPTM 36010	RECREATION, LEISURE AND AGING	3
	Credit Hours	**12**

Semester Eight

LTCA 43192	INTERNSHIP IN NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATION/HEALTH SERVICES EXECUTIVE (ELR)	9
LTCA 44033	LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATION II	3
	Credit Hours	**12**
	Minimum Total Credit Hours:	**120**

University Requirements

All students in a bachelor's degree program at Kent State University must complete the following university requirements for graduation.

NOTE: University requirements may be fulfilled in this program by specific course requirements. Please see Program Requirements for details.

Flashes 101 (UC 10001)	1 credit hour
Course is not required for students with 30+ transfer credits (excluding College Credit Plus) or age 21+ at time of admission.	
Diversity Domestic/Global (DIVD/DIVG)	2 courses
Students must successfully complete one domestic and one global course, of which one must be from the Kent Core.	
Experiential Learning Requirement (ELR)	varies
Students must successfully complete one course or approved experience.	
Kent Core (see table below)	36-37 credit hours
Writing-Intensive Course (WIC)	1 course
Students must earn a minimum C grade in the course.	
Upper-Division Requirement	39 credit hours
Students must successfully complete 39 upper-division (numbered 30000 to 49999) credit hours to graduate.	
Total Credit Hour Requirement	120 credit hours

Kent Core Requirements

Kent Core Composition (KCMP)	6
Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning (KMCR)	3
Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts (KHUM/KFA) (min one course each)	9
Kent Core Social Sciences (KSS) (must be from two disciplines)	6
Kent Core Basic Sciences (KBS/KLAB) (must include one laboratory)	6-7
Kent Core Additional (KADL)	6
Total Credit Hours:	**36-37**

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the provision of customer care and services

2. Demonstrate an understanding of departmental operations and how each area interacts with other areas in the provision of care and services

3. Demonstrate knowledge of management, leadership, legal and regulatory requirements and the administrator's perspective on how to successfully oversee operations.

4. Effectively communicate ideas in oral presentations and written papers.

5. Identify opportunities for employment in long-term care services and supports.

Full Description

The Bachelor of Science degree in Long-Term Care Administration provides students the education and qualifications and eligibility for state and national licensure eligibility to work as administrators in long-term care settings, including nursing homes, assisted living facilities, retirement communities, congregate living, adult care centers, hospice care and other long term services and supports.

Students may earn the certified dementia practitioner (CDP) credential prior to graduation. After graduation and passing of the state and national licensure exams for nursing home administration (NHA), graduates working in the long-term care field will qualify to apply for the health services executive (HSE) credential.

Professional Licensure Disclosure

This program is designed to prepare students to sit for applicable licensure or certification in Ohio. If you plan to pursue licensure or certification in a state other than Ohio, please review state educational requirements for licensure or certification and contact information for state licensing boards at Kent State's website for professional licensure disclosure.