

<b>USC SCHOOL</b>	School of Pharmacy
<b>ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT</b>	Pharmaceutical & Health Economics
<b>GRADUATE PROGRAM</b>	M.S. Healthcare Decision Analysis
<b>POST CODE</b>	1508
<b>TERM EFFECTIVE DATE</b>	Spring 2021

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

A brief description of the graduate program.

Healthcare Decision Analysis (HCDA) is a specialized graduate program that directly prepares you for business careers in healthcare, biopharmaceuticals, consulting, health insurance, and medical technology. Our real-world STEM training provides strategic management tools and actionable insights for improving healthcare value, access, reimbursement, and pricing. The program is open to all majors and undergraduate students with business, finance, economics, STEM, public policy backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

**COMMON BACHELOR DEGREE PROGRAM PATHWAYS**

A list of common bachelor's degrees that undergraduate students pursue in advance of pursuing a progressive degree option with this graduate program. Some programs are restricted to certain majors while others are open to all students.

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**PREPARATORY UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**

A list of courses at the undergraduate level that prepare students for the graduate program. Required coursework is listed first, followed by recommended courses. If not applicable, this section will be blank.

Dept. Prefix - Course #	Course Title	Required or Recommended	Units
	NONE		

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES USED TO REDUCE GRADUATE LEVEL UNITS**

A list of undergraduate level courses that may be used to reduce the number of graduate level units required for the graduate program. If there are none, that is specified instead.

Dept. Prefix - Course #	Course Title	Units
	NONE	

**CORE GRADUATE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (# units required)**

A list of all required graduate courses for the graduate program. None of these courses may be used toward satisfying undergraduate degree requirements.

*If special exceptions for any of these courses are made by the academic department, the course # is marked with an asterisk (\*) and the exception is explained in the "Department Notes" section at the end of this course plan template.*

<b>Dept. Prefix - Course #</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Units</b>
HCDA 506	Foundations in Health Insurance and Global Access	3
HCDA 507	Foundations in Product Development and Commercialization	3
HCDA 515	Healthcare Decision Analysis & Modeling	3
HCDA 520	Health Economics and Outcomes Methodology	3

**PRE-APPROVED ELECTIVE COURSEWORK**

Elective coursework is approved at the discretion of the academic department. Note the following details about the total number and units required of elective coursework.

**TOTAL ELECTIVE COURSES REQUIRED FOR THE TRADITIONAL GRADUATE DEGREE**

**TOTAL ELECTIVE UNITS REQUIRED FOR THE TRADITIONAL GRADUATE DEGREE**

**TOTAL UNIT COUNTS AND REQUIRED GRADUATE UNITS**


**TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED FOR THE TRADITIONAL GRADUATE DEGREE**

**TOTAL GRADUATE UNITS THAT MAY BE WAIVED (IF ANY)**

**MINIMUM NUMBER OF GRADUATE UNITS THAT MUST BE AT THE 500 LEVEL OR ABOVE**

**NOTES FROM THE DEPARTMENT**

This section highlights any unique considerations, exceptions, or requirements for the graduate program. If a program has specific restrictions (courses, majors, etc.), they are detailed below.

**24 units** is required for the Progressive MS in HCDA.

**Required courses (12 units):**

HCDA 506, HCDA 507, HCDA 515, and HCDA 520.

**Recommended courses (12 units):**

HCDA 501, HCDA 502, HCDA 503, HCDA 510, HCDA 525, HCDA 530, HCDA 540, HCDA 550, HCDA 553, HCDA 560, HCDA 570, HCDA 580, HCDA 589, HCDA 590, HCDA 599, BPMK 500, BPMK 503, BPMK 504, BPMK 506, BPMK 508

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**Name of Authorizing Master's Program Dean****Date Approved**

Dean – School of Pharmacy

**Authorizing Dean's Title**