

Ph.D. in Health Related Sciences



Flexible

Getting a Ph.D. isn't (and shouldn't) be easy. But remote learning gives you flexibility in how and when you learn, offering hybrid learning options with live and recorded lessons and two annual one-week on-campus events in Richmond, Va.

Balanced

Keep your job and life intact. Designed for working adults and led by fellow health care professionals who understand your demands and need to keep your career and life on track.

Interdisciplinary

Real-world research and practice never happens in a silo — and neither does our curriculum. Our interdisciplinary cohort model uses a practice-based and problem-solving approach to address current healthcare issues.

Develop **research skills**.
Build your **practice**. Improve
the health and well-being of
your community.

You've committed your life to health care, and you are passionate about your specialty. But you seek to take it all farther — to teach others, to research the field or to lead others.

Emphasizing practice-based, problem-solving approaches, the **Ph.D. in Health Related Sciences** program fosters interdisciplinary collaboration and prepares you to lead in research, education, and administration. The VCU program is uniquely designed for experienced health professionals to conduct impactful, fundable research and gain the expert knowledge needed to address complex societal health problems.

26 YEARS
of program success

152
interdisciplinary
graduates

32 **5**
states nations
represented by students and alumni



"The program really does a good job of making people not feel like just a number. Those around me are very committed to understanding where I've been and where I'm trying to go."

— **Ph.D. Candidate Maiya Picott Lee, MS, MLS(ASCP)CM.** Meet her on YouTube at the code, or visit our website where she's featured on the home page.



A unique Ph.D. program independent of track, opening opportunities for cross-discipline collaboration. As in the real world.

Find challenge and opportunity with a rigorous curriculum that offers an interdisciplinary core of courses and mentorship from faculty across a number of health professions.

**Gerontology
Health Administration
Medical Laboratory Sciences
Nurse Anesthesia
Occupational Therapy**

**Patient Counseling
Physical Therapy
Radiation Sciences
Rehabilitation Counseling**



See the Course of Study.

Explore the Ph.D. in Health Related Sciences' three-year curriculum to visualize your future course of study.
phd.chp.vcu.edu/program/courses

Your Outcomes

A Ph.D. program is what you make it. We will provide you with the tools, experts and resources you need to become an innovator in your field, conduct rigorous and fundable research, and make an impact on the health and well-being of our communities. We'll set you up for success, and as a graduate you will be proficient in multiple skillsets.

Research

Demonstrate an ability to design and execute research plans, analyze results, present conclusions and discuss findings in an area of interdisciplinary health sciences using appropriate research methods.

Scientific Writing

Gain new proficiency in scientific writing for publication and the translation of research into practice.

Educational Design

Display expertise in educational design and professional skills related to interdisciplinary health sciences with application to future health care or academic practices.

Policy & Trends

Develop an aptitude to examine current issues and future trends in health care theory, policy and the medical environment from an interdisciplinary perspective.

Ethical Practices

Build up an ability to work with and for diverse populations in a sound and ethical manner.