

# MSC HS – MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH SYSTEMS

Health systems worldwide are undergoing a profound transformation. Multiple indicators of stress suggest a system that is under significant pressure to adapt to a changing patient base and to better utilize available resources. This challenge presents an opportunity for us to improve the “business of health care” to foster a **healthier** Canada for all.

The two-year Telfer **Master of Science in Health Systems (MSc HS)** program cultivates industry leaders by:

- Giving you the skills needed to lead improvements in the **quality and timeliness of care** in health systems;
- Equipping you with foundational knowledge in preparation to **tackle health systems challenges** and **discover emerging tools** and ideas for transforming health performance;
- Providing a space for you to **examine health system components** that are often under-appreciated and under-researched such as primary care, preventive medicine, and emergency management; and
- Enabling you to think of health systems more holistically by **analyzing the increasing need for a continuum of care** from community engagement to acute services.

Take on this unique opportunity to make an impact on how health systems are managed in Canada and abroad.

## WHY CHOOSE THE TELFER MSC HS

**Collaboration Across Disciplines:** Our MSc program draws on the expertise of multi-disciplinary faculty members and researchers from both management and health sectors, including strategic management, operations, computer science, medicine, health sciences, health services, administration, and economics. Work with professors from across disciplines who specialize in applying both qualitative and quantitative methods.

**Hands-On Learning Opportunities:** Obtain the practical experience employers value by working alongside some of Canada’s most notable organizations on real healthcare management challenges and cutting-edge research projects during a four-month internship with one of our 90+ partners. Work with a top research-intensive institution that will enable you to learn from leading Canadian researchers about how health-systems research is conducted and how ground-breaking research results are translated into practice.

**World-Leading Accreditations:** We have achieved the highest standard of accreditation putting us in the top 1% of business schools in the world, which means you’ll get to work with some of the brightest minds coming from diverse cultures and organizations who, like you, have a wealth of knowledge and experience to share.

**Location & Opportunities:** Home to the most educated workforce in Canada, Ottawa is where the private and public sectors converge, and where decision-makers work to imagine and build the future of Canada. Experience healthcare management and leadership training in small classes with highly skilled faculty and industry professionals.

**Supportive Community Life:** Joining Telfer Nation means you are part of a family for life. You will gain unlimited access to conferences and networking events, research seminars, diverse classmates from a variety of disciplines, and our network of over 32,000 alumni.

## ADMISSION CRITERIA

**Academic Qualifications:** A Canadian baccalaureate degree, or [equivalent](#), with a minimum admission average of B+ (75%) is required in management, health sciences, life sciences, medicine, nursing, computer science, economics, social sciences, engineering, mathematics or other health-related fields. You also need the equivalent of 6 credits of analysis courses at the bachelor's level in quantitative and qualitative research methods, microeconomics and macroeconomics, calculus, probability and statistics, linear algebra, and information technology.

**Admission Test:** You must achieve a competitive score on the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or Graduate Record Examinations (GRE). Applicants having completed their undergraduate degree at the University of Ottawa or other Canadian universities with a CGPA equal to or above 8.0 (at the time of their application) *will not* be required to write either the GMAT or the GRE. All other applicants must achieve at least a 50th percentile score on either the GMAT or GRE.

**Language Proficiency:** Those who wish to study in English but whose first language is not English must present acceptable results of English proficiency in a language test (TOEFL, IELTS, or PTE Academics), or proof of completion of a previous degree program at an English language university, or proof of recent prolonged residence and exercise of a profession in an English speaking country.

**Personal Interview:** Applicants may be contacted for an interview with the admissions committee to assess program fit.

*For full details on admission requirements, please visit the [MSc HS Admissions webpage](#).*

## APPLICATION DEADLINE

**February 1<sup>st</sup>** – First consideration deadline (all applicants)

All complete applications will be reviewed following the deadline. The first round of offers will be sent to the applicants in mid-March.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Complete the [online application form](#). Upload required documents via the student portal once you receive your uoZone access (by email 3-5 days following online application and submission of fees). Pay the non-refundable application fee.

Prepare these required documents for your application:

- **Curriculum Vitae (resume):** Outline your academic and research experience as well as professional experience as it relates to your area of research interest.
- **Statement of Research Interest:** State your motivation for studying in this program, commitment to conducting research, and outline your preferred areas of research interest. Please also identify a possible research supervisor. (Should be between 800-1,000 words.)
- **Transcripts:** Please upload one transcript from each post-secondary institution that you attended.
- **Admission Test Scores:** Please upload a copy of your GMAT or GRE test results.
- **Official Language Proficiency Test Scores:** Test scores from one of the following tests need to be submitted if applicable: TOEFL, IELTS, CanTEST, or PTE Academics.

Add the contact information of at least two professional referees in uoZone. The referees should be academic contacts with knowledge of your research abilities.

## FEES

Please consult the [University of Ottawa fees webpage](#) for complete details on tuition and other fees as a domestic or international student.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

The Telfer School of Management has several admission scholarships available. Eligibility criteria and amounts vary.

Find out more about admission scholarships on the [tuition and funding webpage](#).

## INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

Visit the [uOttawa International Office website](#) for information regarding housing, health insurance, and budgeting for studies. For all immigration questions, visit the [Immigration and Citizenship Canada website](#).

For more information on the [Telfer MSc in Health Systems](#) program, please contact:

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