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## Social Sciences Spotlight

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# Introduction to the Social Sciences

- The social sciences broadly involve the scientific study of human society and social relationships.
- The most common social science subjects include.....
  - Anthropology, Archaeology, Economics, Geography, History, Law, Linguistics, Politics, Psychology and Sociology
- This is a broad discipline which aims to understand more about human society and its different constructs and their connection with human relationships.
- Researchers in the social sciences often study how people tend to organize, behave and affect change in the world surrounding them (and in themselves).
  - Researchers work to understand social issues that closely form our experiences, which subsequently can clarify a great deal about the functioning of our society
- Applied social sciences



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# Masters in Rehabilitation Counseling – Dr. Justin Watts

- Ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in Texas, 13<sup>th</sup> in the Nation by *US News & World Report*
- On-Campus Program
  - Partially online, face-to-face classes in the evening
- Online Program
  - Fully online for working professionals
- Program Requirements
  - 60 hours total



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# Masters in Rehabilitation Counseling

- What is Rehabilitation Counseling?
  - a specific practice of counseling within the discipline where professionals work to help people who have emotional and physical disabilities so that they can live more independently.
- Upon graduation
  - Graduates are eligible for national certification as a rehabilitation counselor (CRC)
  - Also eligible in state of Texas for licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC)
  - Other types of licensure and certification



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# Masters in Rehabilitation Counseling

Where do our graduates find employment?

- Private Practice as a Licensed Professional Counselor
  - Private Agencies
  - State Agencies
  - Substance Use Treatment Facilities
  - Private Practice
  - Educational Settings (Office of Disability Access/UNT WISE/UNT ENGAGE)
- Working with Texas Workforce Commission
- Working in Private Rehabilitation Agencies



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# Masters in Social Work – Dr. Rosalind Evans

## *What is Social Work?*

Social work is a profession in which trained professionals are devoted to helping vulnerable people and communities work through challenges they face in everyday life. Social workers practice in a wide variety of settings, united in their commitment to advocating for and improving the lives of individuals, families, groups and societies.

Generally, there are three levels of social work practice: [micro, mezzo and macro social work](#). At each level, social work professionals provide slightly different services to target populations (Social Work License Map, 2023).

- **Micro Social Work:** At the micro level, social workers provide one-on-one, family and small-group services to individuals addressing a wide range of social issues. These may include housing support, substance abuse counseling and mental health therapy.
- **Mezzo Social Work:** Social workers who operate at the mezzo level work with groups of people, such as in a school, prison, hospital or neighborhoods. They may help students struggling academically, address substance abuse recovery with prison inmates or help coordinate care for patients who are admitted to hospitals for long-term care.
- **Macro Social Work:** Macro-level social work encompasses policy making, research and community-based initiatives. Social workers at this level of practice are more likely to focus on and help address larger societal issues like homelessness, substance abuse, housing and more.

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# Social Work

## UNT MSW Degree Opportunities

An MSW degree opens up a broad range of career options for graduates. Direct service careers in child welfare, mental health, community practice, schools, aging, medical practice, working with veterans, clinical work, and many others are all available to MSW graduates. Additionally, many management and administrative positions in public and private nonprofit agencies are filled with MSW graduates.



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# Social Work

## Future in Social Work

- Overall employment of social workers is projected to grow 7% from 2022 to 2032, faster than the average for all occupations (U.S. Bureau of labor and statistics).
- Texas is one of the top four states with the highest employment of health care social workers. The average median salary for a health care social worker in Texas is 62,500 (U.S. Bureau of labor and statistics).
- The average Social Worker (MSW) salary in Texas is \$69,752 as of August 27, 2023, but the range typically falls between \$63,173 and \$76,909. This can depend on the city, education, certification, and skills (Salary.com).
- Social workers are one of the largest employed mental health professions in the national at Veterans Affairs (VA). The VA employes over 17,300 master's prepared Social Workers. The VA also trains more social work graduates than any other single agency (Department of Veteran Affairs).



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# Social Work

## MSW Degree Plan Options at UNT:

- Advanced Standing Degree with full time and part time options for a total of 30 credit hours.
- Students with a BSW degree from an accredited program can enter the program with “Advanced Standing” status, allowing them to complete the program in one year.
- Traditional Degree with full time and part time options for a total of 60 credit hours.
- Students who hold a bachelor’s degree in a field other than Social Work will be placed into the two-year Generalist degree program of study.

## Applying to the Program

- The application portal for the program is open. Apply online by **February 1<sup>st</sup>** at <https://hps.unt.edu/sowk/msw-application-process>.



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# Social Work

## Field Practicum

In addition to conventional coursework, students on the Traditional Degree Plan complete two full-time field practicum placements. Students on the Advanced Standing Degree Plan complete one full-time practicum placement. Field practicum requires approximately 30-35 hours per week in an agency setting.

Advanced Standing degree plan 500 practicum hours in the last semester.

Traditional degree plan 400 practicum hours in second semester of first year. Students will also complete 500 practicum hours in the second semester of the last year of the program.

## Funding Opportunities

The Social Work program offers graduate students the opportunity to apply to be a Teacher Assistants for 20 hours a week. The TA role allows flexible work hours for graduate students while they work under the instructor's direct supervision and provide general assistance to the instructional process, such as grading, tutoring, etc.

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# Social Work

## **Council of Social Work Education (CSWE)**

CSWE is the accrediting body for social work programs. Attending a CSWE-accredited social work program provides assurance that the program in which a student enrolls is committed to quality and educating students on social work competencies necessary to enter practice. Attending a CSWE-accredited program may help graduates qualify for employment or licensure that requires completion of a CSWE-accredited degree (CSWE, 2023).



## **National Association of Social Work (NASW)**

The National Association of Social Work is the largest organization of professional social workers in the world, with over 155,000 members in 55 chapters. The Texas Chapter, with nearly 6,000 members, is the major professional social work organization in the state. Membership with NASW helps advance social workers in their careers, connect with colleagues, and protect their practice and licensure (NASW,2023).



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## Social Work

### Licensure

Upon successful degree completion, an MSW graduate is eligible to become a Licensed Master Social Worker LMSW one of the most highly recognized professional titles in health and human services. Students can pursue their licensure by meeting state requirements, including passing an examination approved by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB). Social workers who earn two years of post-graduate supervision may take the examination to become a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW).

How to apply for licensure through the Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners

<https://www.bhec.texas.gov/texas-state-board-of-social-worker-examiners/applying-for-a-license/index.html>

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# Social Work – Career Options

## **Mental Health & Substance Abuse**

Clinical Social Worker  
Mental health Social Worker  
Marriage Therapist  
Crisis Intervention  
Assessment Specialist  
Addictions Counselor  
Clinical Supervisor

## **Medical & Public Health**

Medical Social Worker  
Hospice Care Social Worker  
Public Health Social Worker  
Behavioral Health Care Specialist  
Emergency Room Social Worker  
Health Clinic Social Worker  
Health Care Specialist  
Nursing Home Social Worker  
Travel Health Social Worker  
Private Practice Social Worker  
Pediatric Social Worker

## **Education**

School Counselor  
School Social Worker  
Special Education Social Worker  
Youth Development Worker  
Student Affairs  
Professor

## **Administration, Policy, and Research**

Grant writer  
Researcher  
Policy Analyst  
Advocacy Group Director  
Community Program Administrator  
Community Organizer  
Data Analyst

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# Master's in Sociology – Dr. Gabe Ignatow

## Digital Sociology Degree Sequence

### Step 1: Social Science or Humanities Bachelors

SOCI, ANTH, ENGL, SPAN, HIST, PSYC...

### Step 2: Digital Sociology Graduate Certificate

- Four courses, 2 in Frisco, 2 in Denton or online.
- Core courses: 1) Digital Social Science, 2) Digital Research Methods (Frisco)
- Learn basic R and Python, web scraping, basic applied data science skills
- Complements the social science or humanities bachelors degree

### Step 3: Job or MBA or Sociology Masters or INSD MA

Work as a data analyst, or convert your graduate certificate into MBA or MA credits at UNT with no loss of credits.



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# Sociology

## *DFW*

Scott Hamilton, UNT COB  
Emirhan Demirhan, Neiman Marcus Group  
Suheyl Gurbuz, FedEx  
Jameelah Ra'oof, SVI  
Elif Aslan Bulut, Esri and Interos Inc.  
Rebecca Korosi, Maximus  
Sarah Pinney, DFW Airport Employee Lifecycle Specialist

## *Non-DFW*

Nikolitsa Grigoropoulou, University of Bremen, Germany  
Myrna Papadouka, Middlesex University, UK  
Trent Ryan, University of New South Wales, Australia  
Konstantinos Zougris, University of Hawaii-West Oahu

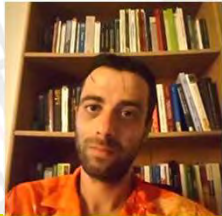


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# Sociology



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# Sociology

Get Started

[frisco.unt.edu/programs/digital-social-science](https://frisco.unt.edu/programs/digital-social-science)

Contact us to schedule an advising appointment:

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[ignatow@unt.edu](mailto:ignatow@unt.edu)

Course syllabi available upon request.

Thank you!



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# Department of Behavior Analysis

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# What is Behavior Analysis?

Behavior analysis is a **natural science** that seeks to understand the behavior of individuals.

Behavior analysts place special emphasis on studying factors that *reliably influence the behavior of individuals*, an emphasis that works well when the goal is to:

- acquire adaptive behavior: healthy eating; language; workplace safety
- ameliorate problem behavior: drug taking; self-injurious behavior



# Careers in Behavior Analysis Are Vast & Growing

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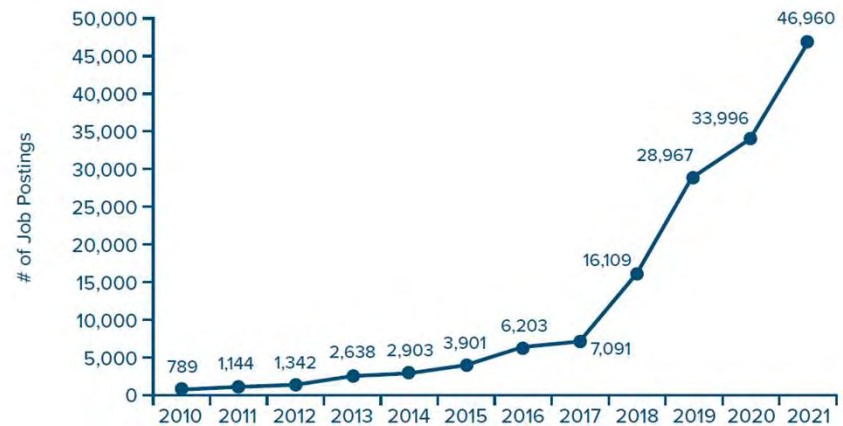
- Autism & Developmental Disabilities
- Animal Trainer
- Traumatic Brain Injuries
- Behavioral Health
- Instructional Design
- Sports Performance
- Behavioral Pediatrics
- Organizational Behavior Management
- Addiction Treatment



# Demand for Behavior Analysts

- Over the past 12 years (2010-2021), demand for behavior analysts holding BCBA or BCBA-D certification has increased by **5,852%**.
- Annual nationwide demand for individuals holding BCBA/BCBA-D certification has increased each year since 2010, with a **38% increase from 2020 to 2021**.

## Annual Demand for BCBA Certification



Behavior Analyst Certification Board. (2022). US employment demand for behavior analysts: 2010–2021. Littleton, CO: Author.

# Why UNT?

Long  
Standing  
History of  
Excellence

The nation's first stand-alone Department of Behavior Analysis was honored for excellence.

2012 Award of  
Enduring  
Programmatic  
Contributions  
in Behavior  
Analysis

—Association for  
Behavior Analysis  
International



**1st** undergraduate degree in applied behavior analysis  
**1st** accredited master's program in applied behavior analysis

## Why UNT?

Program meets the educational requirements needed to pursue a Board Certified Behavior Analyst® (BCBA®) certification





# Why UNT?

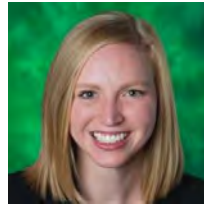
## The Department of Behavior Analysis Faculty



Dr. Karen Rader Toussaint



Dr. Chris Varnon



Dr. Sam Bergmann



Dr. Joe Dracobly



Dr. April Becker



Dr. Jesus Rosales-Ruiz



Dr. Daniele Ortu



Dr. Shahla Alai-Rosales



Dr. Kenda Morrison



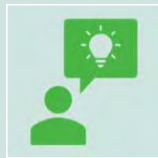
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# Graduate Degrees in DBA



Master of Science (M.S.) in Behavior Analysis



Master of Arts (M.A.) in Applied Behavior Analysis



Doctorate of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Health Sciences Research  
with concentration in Behavior Analysis

# M.S. in Behavior Analysis

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Provides students with a broad and deep education in the principles of behavior analysis

# Courses in M.S. Degree

<b>Year One</b>	<b>Fall</b> 5100 - Intro to Behavior Analysis 5000- Observation & Measurement 5810 – Practicum I/PORTL 5815 – Practicum <u>Ia</u>	<b>Spring</b> 5150 – Techniques in ABA 5160 - Behavior Intervention Programs 5010 - Experimental Analysis of Behavior
<b>Year Two</b>	5140 – Research Methods 5250 – Stimulus Control *Elective *5815 – Practicum <u>Ib</u> should be completed by the end of the second year	5020 – Theory & Philosophy 5540 – Legal, Ethical, & Professional Issues 5570 – Staff Training
<b>Year Three</b>	5950 – Thesis I 5250.01 Functional Assessment * 5820 - Internship in the third year	5950 – Thesis II

# M.S. in Behavior Analysis

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Unrivaled breadth of experiential learning opportunities from experts in the field

Experimental Thesis (Year 3)  
Practicum courses

# The science of behavior analysis across behaviors, species and settings



# M.S. in Behavior Analysis

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Experimental Thesis (Year 3)  
Practicum courses



An inclusive learning environment that recognizes the added value of a diverse student body and allows students to meaningfully engage with the curriculum and achieve their full potential

# M.A. Degree that offers a focus on Professional Practice

In-home and centers with young children diagnosed with ASD

Teachers/Behavior Specialists primarily working with autistic students

Handful of SSLC providers



**Area of Practice**

Degree-Seeking

GAC certificate

(students who already have a master's degree)



**Tracks**



# Course Characteristics



Component-composite



Asynchronous allows flexibility



Weekly modules due Monday night



Teaching is individualized primarily through feedback on written work



Tutoring through email and office hours



Application scenarios and other opportunities in all courses

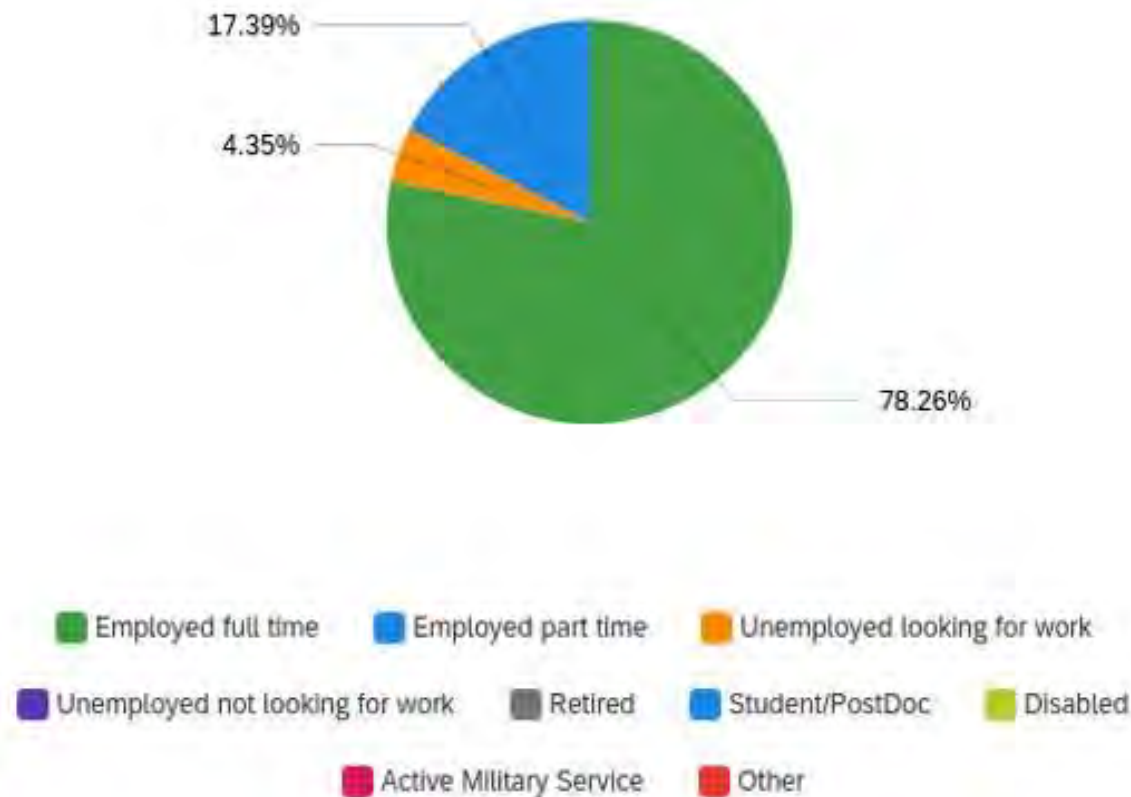


Progression from more “rote” learning to more application later in sequence

# Graduates

UNT students become leaders in the science and practice of behavior analysis.

They graduate with generative repertoires that allow them to compete successfully in the job market and/or post-graduate degree programs.



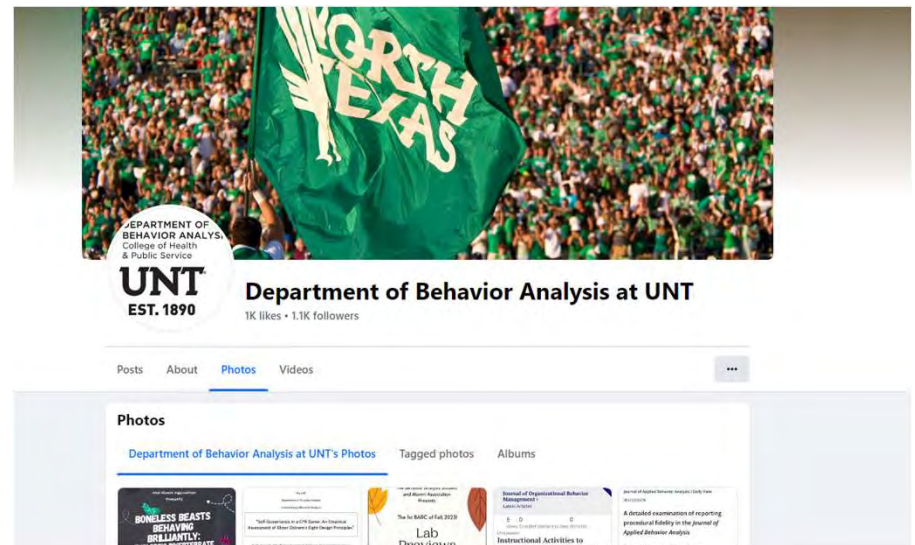
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# Health Services Administration – Dr. Gayle Prybutok



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# Health Services Administration

- 39 Credit Master's Program
- 13 Courses on Healthcare Business Management

HLSV 5450 Health Services Administration

HLSV 5300 Information Systems for Healthcare Management

HLSV 5820 Marketing Health Services

HLSV 5400 Health Delivery Systems

HLSV 5500—Healthcare Quality Management

HLSV 5550—Health Insurance and Managed Care

HLSV 5880 Healthcare Law and Ethics

HLSV 5710 Theories and Measures of Health and Wellness

HLSV 5720—Human Resources Management

HLSV 5730—Healthcare Policy and the Regulated Marketplace

HLSV 5740 Financial Issues in Health Services Administration

HLSV 5860—Healthcare Economics

HLSV 5940 Health Service Administration Capstone

**This is a practical, hands-on program that gives you the chance to practice activities that you will be asked to do as a healthcare leader!**

**Each course includes a project with a rubric or set of instructions that explains the required elements.**

**We are pursuing a specific accreditation for this program by CAHME, the Commission for the Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education, a prestigious designation that increases the value of your degree**

**You can reduce the cost of the degree by applying for scholarships. If you get a \$1000 scholarship, it reduces your tuition to the in-state rate!**

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# Health Services Administration

## Important Things to Know

- Think of this program as a **healthcare-specific MBA**
  - Textbooks for this program come from the publisher for the American College of Healthcare Executives, so that every example and case study is specific to healthcare management
  - Enrollment provides access to the dynamic Health Services Administration Network with a wealth of relevant resources
  - High level of faculty engagement with faculty experts in the healthcare delivery environment
- Perpetual access to your own ePortfolio that you will use to introduce yourself to potential employers
- We offer a job search seminar in the Capstone course, where we help you prepare for the job market
  - We encourage all of our students to join the local chapter of the American College of Healthcare Executives, North Texas. This organization has excellent educational and networking programs all over the Metroplex, that gives you the chance to interact with people that have the jobs that you will seek

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# Health Services Administration

Two parts to the application:

1. Apply to the University ([https://www.applytexas.org/adappc/gen/c\\_start.WBX](https://www.applytexas.org/adappc/gen/c_start.WBX) )
2. Apply to the Department of Rehabilitation and Health Services (<http://rhs.hps.unt.edu/health-service-administration-application-procedure>)/ Submit the following:
  - Your Resume
  - A two-page Personal Statement indicating how the program will help you to meet
  - your career goals
  - One letter of reference-one from an employer, or one from a former faculty member, on letterhead

As soon as both parts of your application are complete, we will schedule your application interview and you can enter the program at the start of the next semester!

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## Let's discuss the *Masters in Health Data Analytics*

- This is a 10-course master's degree that you can complete in 18 months and enter the marketplace!
- It blends 5 courses from the Health Services Administration program and 5 courses from the Advanced Data Analytics program that will teach you the specialized skills needed to extract the information that you need to make a business decision from a large data set.
- At any given time, there are between 60 and 100 Health Data Analyst positions open in the Metroplex, and the starting salaries range between \$67,000 and \$80,000
- Again, you can reduce your cost by applying for a \$1000 scholarship to get in-state tuition!

Here are the courses in the program:

**HLSV 5450 Health Services Administration**

**HLSV 5820 Marketing Health Services**

**HLSV 5740 Financial Issues in Health Services Administration**

**HLSV 5550 Health Insurance and Managed Care**

**HLSV 5940 Health Services Administration Capstone**

**ADTA 5130. Data Analytics 1**

**ADTA 5230. Data Analytics 2**

**ADTA 5240. Harvesting, Storing, and Retrieving Big Data**

**ADTA 5340. Discovery and Learning with Big Data**

**ADTA 5250. Large Data Visualization**

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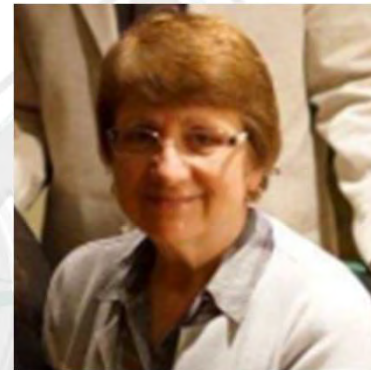




# Health Services Admin. & Health Data Analytics

- Join One of Our Fast-Growing Master's Programs and Accelerate your Career!
- Graduate with the ability to assume a Department Director or Health Data Analyst role in the health care delivery setting of your choice in a rapidly growing market!

Questions? See or contact Program Coordinator Dr Gayle Prybutok



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# Masters in Linguistics – College of Information

## Degree Overview

- 36 credit hours – F2F General Studies
- Concentration in Computational Linguistics
- Concentration in Language Documentation
- Concentration in Teaching ESL

## Student Support

- Personalized advising and mentoring
- Scholarships, graduate assistantships
- Discovery Series lecture events
- CODE Interview Series events

## Career Opportunities

- Language Data Analyst/Annotator/NLP/AI
- Communications Officer / Technical Writer
- ESL Instructor/Curriculum Designer

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