

Discipline	Health and Nursing Management
Degree Awarded	Master of Arts (M.A.)
Standard Length of Studies	4 semesters
Special Form of Studies	Full-time (consecutive)
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Accredited by	Accreditation Agency for Study Programmes in Special Education, Care, Health Sciences and Social Work (AHPGS)
Date of Accreditation	15 February 2007
Period of Accreditation	The period of accreditation lasts five years starting with the beginning of the study programme. AHPGS must be given written notice of the beginning of the programme and a written confirmation that the conditions stated in the evaluation report have been fulfilled.
Conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The master's degree programme's criteria for admission must also include special entrance criteria. The HEI must also establish a selection process.</li> <li>- The joint examination regulations of the bachelor's and two master's degree programmes must be revised (i.e. § 5 'Recognition of examination credits', section 4, which states that credits will not be awarded for already completed bachelor's and master's thesis, must be deleted).</li> <li>- The HEI must show proof that it has implemented the planned concept for its body of academic and administrative staff.</li> <li>- The regulations must be revised and submitted after authorisation.</li> </ul>
Profile of the Degree Programme	<p>The consecutive master's degree programme in Health and Nursing Management builds on the bachelor's degree programme in Health Sciences and Nursing Science provided by the Department of Health and Nursing of Mainz Catholic University of Applied Sciences. The programme provides continuing, in-depth studies while maintaining a specialised focus.</p> <p>Students earn a total of 120 ECTS credits (European Credit Transfer System). The standard length of studies is 4 semesters. Students completing the practice-oriented programme may obtain a Master of Arts (M.A.) degree.</p> <p>The consecutive master's degree programme consists of 20 modules (including the master's thesis and a work experience module divided into two parts). There are five modules dedicated to the study of management, six modules in the field of health sciences and nursing (nursing, speech therapy/logopedics or physiotherapy), seven modules in social sciences, and one work experience module.</p>

	<p>15 of the 120 credits earned in the master's degree programme are awarded for completion of the master's dissertation. The workload for students is 3600 hours for the entire master's degree programme. 990 hours are in-class learning and 2430 hours are self-study. One credit equals 30 hours of study workload.</p> <p>This master's degree programme qualifies students to work in the field of health and nursing management.</p> <p>Admission requirements for the consecutive master's degree programme are the completion of the bachelor's degree in Health Sciences and Nursing Science provided by Mainz Catholic University of Applied Sciences or a first university degree from a German or international higher education institution in a similar subject (such as nursing science, therapy management, physiotherapy, speech therapy/logopedics), or certification as a nursing teacher/trainer (Diplom-Pflegepädagogin) or nurse manager (Diplom-Pflegewirtin). Applicants should have a final grade of a minimum of GOOD (generally 2.5 or better).</p>
Summarised Evaluation	<p>After reviewing the submitted accreditation application and conducting an on-site inspection of the University of Applied Sciences, the accreditation experts voted in favour of accreditation.</p> <p>Although the full-time design of the master's degree programme is feasible, it should be kept in mind that it presents certain difficulties.</p> <p>The programme has a well-developed profile and offers a broad foundation for work in upper management positions.</p> <p>In order to further raise the programme's profile and cultivate the subject-related scientific part of studies, the accreditation experts recommend that the programme focus on research in the fields of nursing science, physiotherapy science and speech therapy/logopedics science while pursuing the greatest possible integration of students in this research.</p> <p>According to the module descriptions, the study programme's modules are detailed in subject and show a logical sequence and a solid structure. They also reveal a strong focus on business management perspectives, especially aspects of costs and staff management, which the accreditation experts believe to be too narrow in light of the programme's goal of providing a broad spectrum of qualifications. The standard of quality of the master's degree programme's content is high.</p> <p>It has been recommended that the programme be extended to broaden students' skills by including new fields of practice, additional comprehensive themes, health care policy issues, health care structures and process management as explicit study content in the modules. The current programme modules provide students with a specialised knowledge which is especially necessary for future nursing work in the fields of prevention, consulting, instruction and independent diagnostics and treatment.</p> <p>The work experience (internships) in the second half of studies add an in-depth understanding of education sciences and management to students' foundation of specialised qualifications. According to the design of the programme</p>

	<p>submitted for review, students acquire new fields of knowledge and learn to reflect on them while acquiring theoretical and practical skills.</p> <p>Mainz Catholic University of Applied sciences has a proven quality assurance plan that will include the new study programmes and the Department of Health and Nursing.</p> <p>The inspections made during the accreditation process established that this programme qualifies degree holders for admission to 'higher civil/public service career paths' ('höhere Dienst') in Germany (in accordance with the decision of the Standing Conference of German Ministers of the Interior, IMK, from 6 July 2002, and the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs of the Länder in the Federal Republic of Germany, KMK, from 24 May 2002). The Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Health, Family and Women's Issues of Rhine-Palatinate confirmed in a letter from 19 January 2007 that the successful completion of the master's degree offered by this HEI is an accepted qualification for access to 'higher civil/public service career paths' ('höhere Dienst').</p>
Web Page	<a href="http://www.kfh-mainz.de">www.kfh-mainz.de</a>
Further Information	Additional information regarding this degree programme may be found in the Higher Education Compass of HRK.