



Online Master of Arts in Health Law and Policy

The online Master of Arts (MA) in Health Law and Policy from the Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University equips healthcare professionals with essential legal expertise – no law background required. Navigate complex regulations like the Affordable Care Act, Medicare, Medicaid, and emerging issues in biotechnology, public health, and bioethics through a curriculum designed specifically for healthcare careers.

This flexible, interactive online program develops critical thinking and collaboration skills while providing a comprehensive view of today's healthcare landscape. Graduate with the legal literacy to drive meaningful change in your field, distinguish yourself as a compliance expert, and shape the future of healthcare policy. Whether you're protecting patients, advocating for others, leading teams, or advancing your career, you'll have the confidence and knowledge to make a lasting impact.

Program Benefits

- Gain comprehensive expertise through a 100% health law-focused curriculum, unlike general legal studies programs that only touch on healthcare topics, ensuring every course directly applies to your healthcare career.
- Complete your degree in as few as 24 months through a fully online, asynchronous format (meaning you can access courses 24/7) that accommodates your work schedule, with optional weekly live sessions for enhanced engagement and faculty interaction.
- Maximize your educational commitment with a competitively priced tuition at \$1,485 per credit while earning your degree from an ABA-accredited law school – an exceptional value compared to similar programs.
- Learn from an interdisciplinary faculty team combining legal experts from ABA-approved Hofstra Law School and healthcare practitioners from Northwell Health, New York's largest health system, for both theoretical depth and real-world application.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

- 30 credits
- 100% online, asynchronous courses
- Can be completed in as few as 24 months
- Three start dates – fall, spring, or summer

Admissions Requirements

- A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university or the equivalent from an institution outside the United States
- Completed [application form](#)
- Resume or curriculum vitae (CV)
- Personal statement indicating your interest in pursuing a graduate degree in health law and policy
- Academic transcripts
 - Official transcript(s) from each institution attended since high school. Unofficial transcripts may be used for admissions decision-making (Hofstra University reserves the right to require that accepted students submit official transcripts prior to matriculating).
 - Institutions must send hard-copy, sealed transcripts directly to the admissions office. These arrangements can be made via the online application portal, GradCAS.
- Letters of recommendation (recommended, but not required)
 - Letters of recommendation need to be from individuals qualified to comment on your ability to complete graduate study successfully. Employers, supervisors, and former instructional faculty members are suitable references.
- If your academic training was in a language other than English, you must present a recent score from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).
- There is no GMAT or GRE required to apply.



Tuition

Our competitive rates offer you the best cost for a niche legal education taught by expert faculty.

Online MA	2025-2026 Academic Year
Cost Per Credit Hour	\$1,485 x 30 Credits
Total Estimated Tuition	\$44,550

An \$85-per-semester technology fee will be added to the overall cost of attendance for part-time students.

Program costs are subject to change annually.

The Curriculum

The online MA in Health Law and Policy program consists of nine courses. Successful graduates of the program must complete 30 credits with a minimum overall grade point average of 3.0. Courses include a 5-credit capstone project, in which you will produce an independent research paper targeting issues covered in the health law curriculum.

LAW 2993	Introduction to the American Legal System	2 CREDITS
LAW 3884	Health Law	3 CREDITS
LAW 2909	Medicare and Medicaid Law	2 CREDITS
LAW 3734	Bioethics and the Law	3 CREDITS
LAW 2832	Law of Medical Product Discovery, Development, and Commercialization	2 CREDITS
LAW 3500	Business Transactions in Healthcare	3 CREDITS
LAW 2855	Public Health Law, Policy, and Ethics	3 CREDITS
LAW 2511	The ADA: Statutory Interpretation	2 CREDITS
LAW 2491	Representing Healthcare Providers	2 CREDITS
LAW 3502	Healthcare Compliance	3 CREDITS
LAW 3503	Health Law and Policy Capstone	5 CREDITS

Stackable Pathway: The Online Certificate in Health Law and Policy

Not yet ready for the full master's program? Consider the advanced certificate pathway. Complete your certificate program in as few as eight months. The program consists of two core courses – Introduction to the American Legal System (2 credits) and Health Law (3 credits) – and two electives. Then, should you wish to continue for an advanced degree, you can apply your earned credits toward the Master of Arts program.

Master the Legal Side of Healthcare

Develop practical skills in healthcare compliance and regulations that directly address the increasing legal complexities you face, whether you are a frontline worker, an administrator, or any role in between.

To learn more about the online MA program, contact an admissions outreach advisor at [\(516\) 200-3146](tel:5162003146) or onlinelawdegree@hofstra.edu.