

Health Administration (HADM) 369

Health Policy in Canada (Revision 3)

Delivery mode: [Individualized study online](#) with [eText](#)

Credits: 3

Area of study: Applied Studies (Business and Administrative Studies)

Prerequisites: HADM 339 or professor approval.

Precluded: None

Challenge: HADM 369 has a challenge for credit option.

Faculty: [Faculty of Health Disciplines](#)

Status: Replaced with new revision, see the [course listing](#) for the current revision

Overview

This course is designed for students from a wide variety of backgrounds: health services, administrators, policy makers, practitioners, and clinicians. It provides in-depth discussion concerning the key political and administrative decision-making processes of the Canadian health systems. Particular emphasis is placed on the health policy development process and the issues associated to the welfare state.

The course begins with public policy definition, the health policy development process, and funding solutions to complete policy issues. Students also examine the variety of social, economic and political influences on health policy making. Students will discover that there are a variety of “policy instruments” available to decision makers to solve policy problems at the policy formulation stage.

Objectives

After completing *Health Administration 369*, you will be able to:

1. identify and explain the basic concepts and processes underlying health care policy making.
2. analyze critically the development of the health care system in Canada.
3. examine and apply a critical assessment to current health care reform initiatives.
4. communicate clearly in both verbal form and written form.

Outline

Health Administration 369 is structured for independent study with interactive tutoring. The course comprises the following nine units.

- Unit 1: Development of Canada’s Health Care Systems
- Unit 2: Public Policy in Canada
- Unit 3: Decision Making in Health Care
- Unit 4: What Informs/Influences Health Policy?
- Unit 5: Levels of Policy Making

- Unit 6: Reform of Health Care in Canada
- Unit 7: Empowered Citizens
- Unit 8: Health Care Reform: Shifting to Community
- Unit 9: Future Health Policy Issues for Canada

Evaluation


To **receive credit** [↗](#) for HADM 369, you must achieve a **D (50 percent)** [📄](#) or higher on each evaluation activity. The weighting of the course grade is as follows:


Activity	Weight
Assignment 1	20%
Assignment 2	20%
Term Paper	30%
Final Examination	30%
Total	100%

The **final examination** for this course must be taken online with an AU-approved exam invigilator at an approved invigilation centre. It is your responsibility to ensure your chosen invigilation centre can accommodate online exams. For a list of invigilators who can accommodate online exams, visit the [Exam Invigilation Network](#) [↗](#).



To learn more about assignments and examinations, please refer to Athabasca University's [online Calendar](#) [↗](#).

Materials

Crichton, A., Robertson, A., Gordon, C., & Farrant, W. (1997). *Health care: A community concern?* Calgary: University of Calgary Press.  (eText)

Pal, L. A. (2014). *Beyond policy analysis: Public issue management in turbulent times* (5th ed.). Toronto: Nelson Canada.  (eText)

eTexts

Registration in this course includes electronic textbooks. For more information on [electronic textbooks](#) , please refer to our [eText Initiative site](#) .

Other Materials

Most of the course materials for HADM 369 are available online through the myAU portal. A *Reading File* also accompanies the course.



Challenge for credit

Overview

The Challenge for credit process allows you to demonstrate that you have acquired a command of the general subject matter, knowledge, intellectual and/or other skills that would normally be found in a university-level course.

Full information about [Challenge for credit](#)  can be found in the Undergraduate Calendar.

Evaluation

To [receive credit](#)  for the HADM 369 challenge registration, you must achieve a grade of at least **C- (60 percent)**  on the examination.

Activity	Weight
Examination	100%
Total	100%



Challenge for credit course registration form

Important links

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