

# Minnesota State University Moorhead

## HSAD 420: Health Policy and Economics

### A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

This course is designed to provide a comprehensive view of the economic forces that shape change in today's healthcare delivery system. The course will explore the basic framework of health policy within the United States and the functioning of the healthcare delivery system in a complex social environment. The course provides a fundamental foundation for understanding the principles of healthcare economics, theory of demand and supply, and how these impact the healthcare market.

**B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:** 09/23/2016 - Present

### C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

### D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the political environment in which the U. S. healthcare delivery system functions, and the methods and techniques used in establishing governmental health policy.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the changing practice of medicine, the effect that American competitiveness has on the rising cost of healthcare and the result that high healthcare costs have on accessibility to healthcare.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of the principles of the legislative process, special interest groups, and methods in which health policy is formulated through the political structure.
4. Demonstrate an understanding of interaction of policy with changing practice of medicine and shortage of professionals.
5. Describe the methods for formulating federal and state healthcare policy and politically feasible solutions.
6. Demonstrate an understanding of concept of demand and supply model for healthcare industry and how it impacts healthcare market.
7. Demonstrate the ability to communicate clearly in written and oral format by using informal and formal communication methods.

### E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

### F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

### G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted