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Georgia Southern University Offers New Master of Healthcare Administration Degree

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Georgia Southern University's Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health will offer a new Master of Healthcare Administration degree beginning this fall.

The two-year, 45-credit-hour degree is designed to prepare professionals for some of the top jobs in healthcare administration, a growing field that is expected to have a large need for executives and managers in the

coming years.

'A Master of Healthcare Administration degree will prepare professionals for middle and upper management positions in the healthcare industry,' said James Stephens, program director and former hospital/healthcare system chief executive officer. 'Right now, healthcare accounts for 16 percent of the country's gross domestic product and aging baby boomers are expected to place more demands on the healthcare system. There is high demand for well-trained and qualified healthcare professionals.'

Stephens says the Master of Healthcare Administration degree will prepare graduates for management and executive positions in hospitals, health systems, physician clinics, public health departments, government health agencies, health insurance companies, healthcare consulting firms, ambulatory centers and surgical centers.

'Professionals with undergraduate degrees in business, nursing, public health or those working in the healthcare industry now are ideal candidates for the Master of Healthcare Administration degree,' said Stephens.

Founded in 2004, the Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health was the first school of public health in the University System of Georgia. Today, the Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health is nationally recognized for its efforts to enhance health and eliminate health disparities of rural communities and underserved populations in Georgia and the southeastern region, the nation and the world.

For more information about the Master of Healthcare Administration degree, visit www.jphcoph.georgiasouthern.edu.

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