

**CAHME "VIRTUAL ACCREDITATION" PILOT**

CAHME (Commission on the Accreditation of Health Management Education), which is the accrediting body for MHSA, is developing virtual accreditation as one component to the accreditation process. Other accrediting bodies have a virtual component, so it's not unique to CAHME.

Virtual accreditation has three purposes:

1. Lower the total cost of accreditation to CAHME programs;
2. Decrease the time commitment of site visitors to programs scheduled for accreditation;
3. Allow CAHME to expand globally in a cost-effective approach for program accreditation.

To begin exploring virtual accreditation, CAHME has selected "three well-respected programs to participate in the virtual accreditation project: **Xavier University**, the University of Michigan, and the University of Minnesota. Since Xavier MHSA currently holds the maximum seven-year accreditation, our next site visit would be in 2022 with a CAHME board decision in spring 2023. **Dr. Eddie Hooker**, our Associate Director for Accreditation, will take the lead on this pilot endeavor. Not only is CAHME accreditation the gold standard of health administration management education but also many national fellowships are open only to students from CAHME-accredited programs.

**XAVIER MHSA TEAM TO OSU'S 2020 CASE COMPETITION**

Congratulations to first-year MHSA students **Sarah Leipham '22M**, **Kyle Runge '22M** and **Kristina Dean '22M** who will represent Xavier MHSA at The Ohio State University HSA Case Competition in Columbus, Ohio on April 3, 2020. **Amanda Fronk '22M** is the alternate. Student coaches are second-year students who participated in the prior year's competition: **Sara Friedmann '21M**, **Meghan Werft '21M**, and **Alex Wolfred '21M**. Faculty member Teaching Professor **Dee Ellingwood** coordinates this opportunity.

**NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR MS-HECOR**

Intelligent.com has selected Xavier MS-HECOR as one of the top Master's in Clinical Research Degree Programs for 2020. The actual ranking is #4 in the country and #1 for Catholic university online master's programs in clinical research.

<https://www.intelligent.com/best-online-masters-in-clinical-research-degree-programs/>

Congratulations to **Dr. Pete Mallow**, HECOR program director, and faculty.

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**FACULTY HONOR**

Xavier University participates in the "Jesuit Leadership Seminar" with the other 27 Jesuit universities in the USA. XU selects one faculty member and one staff member to participate in a week-long seminar during the summer, and this year the event will take place at Loyola University in Chicago. From all faculty members at Xavier, our **Dr. Rick Browne** is the one selected for 2020. At the conclusion Rick will use the title, "Jesuit Educator of Distinction". Congratulations to Rick.

**ALUM-N-I-C-E** Our 1,693 Graduate MHSA Alumni, 178 Undergraduate BSHSA Alumni, and 21 MS-HECOR Alumni are the pride and joy of Xavier and our HSA Department. We applaud your achievements and commitment to the highest quests in health services administration.

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