Second Major in Health Economics and Management

The second major in Health Economics and Management (HEM), offered by SMU School of Economics, is the first-of-its-kind in Singapore. The multidisciplinary curriculum, jointly curated by SMU and SingHealth, covers areas that are of increasing importance in the healthcare sector, including Health Economics, Health Systems and Policy, Introductory Data Analytics in Healthcare, Healthcare Management, and a range of other courses across all six schools in SMU. HEM students are also encouraged to take Health Economics and Management Work-Study Elective, which enables students to have a first-hand experience in healthcare sector through a six-month internship.

The objective of the second major is to produce work-ready graduates who are valuable for administration and management of the healthcare sector. Through the courses offered in the second major, the students will be equipped with the knowledge and skills that are necessary for identifying and solving the challenges that the sector is facing or is going to face. The knowledge and skills are reinforced by the first-hand experience in the healthcare sector through internships and experiential learning.

This second major will open the door to meaningful career paths in the healthcare industry and is suitable for those with a passion for promoting health and well-being, delivering quality healthcare, contributing to the saving of lives, and ensuring the graceful ageing of society.

Students in this major will gain essential knowledge and skills for high-level healthcare administration, hone them through experiential learning opportunities in solving real healthcare industry problems, and develop practical first-hand understanding of the healthcare environment through internship.