

I currently work as a control coordinator in the wellbeing services county of Southwest Finland supervising social and health care providers and their self-monitoring (e.g. plans and complying with the laws). I encounter different situations where digitalisation could be useful in social and health care in the future. Especially the social aspect of digitalisation interests me.

The Master's degree program of Managing Digital Transformation in the Health Sector (the ManagiDiTH program) provides interesting curriculum. The reason why I want to apply and study in this program is the following aspects which are not in any particular order:

Healthcare resource management; Social and Individual approach in Health; and Managing the Digital Transformation in Healthcare. Completing this Master's degree will strengthen my career progression and the development of my expertise and leadership. I want to learn how to use my knowledge of service systems in the social and health care sector to plan, implement, evaluate and manage customer-oriented services, service processes and service management. I want to be empowered to harness staff to develop higher quality and more cost-effective services.

As I previously stated I am interested in the social aspect of digitalisation. The health aspect connects to digitalisation every day for example when we use different kinds of equipment such as our phones, smartwatches, Oura-rings and applications. Already we are sharing data about our health with different applications. Now we need to pair all this information with our social and health care providers. In that context we cannot forget the social and individual aspect of our work.

Regulation, Legislation and Structures in health. As I currently work as a control coordinator I have familiarized myself in different kinds of regulations, legislations and structures in social and health care field, in Finland's and EU's point of view. I think the ManagiDiTH program will expand my professional experience even more and studying in the program will give much information also to my co-workers, my supervisor and my employer. My goal is to develop Finnish working life and my own work.

For me, what is important in my professional life is the well-being and development of the work community, which I can develop as an expert or manager. I have been interested in a career in HR for some time, but I need the additional skills and experience of a Master's degree to explore my options for working in HR. In considering my potential work experience goals, I have decided to aim for demanding specialist jobs, from which I can move into management positions if I wish. However, I already have experience in the role of head of unit, so I am looking for senior management positions.

I have also considered studying pedagogy after my Master's degree, so that I can focus on teaching in the future, if that career path can be created either from the perspective of work community development or legal requirements such as self-supervision. I feel that the Master's degree will strengthen my skills as an expert and a leader, so my qualities as a good educator will be further strengthened by both degrees.

The Master's degree will give me competence and substantive knowledge, especially in management, development and digitalisation. Social and health care constantly require development and service design, where expertise and leadership play an important role and I believe that the ManagiDiTH program will meet these requirements.