

Health Information Management Major

The Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management provides students with an understanding of medical science, patient information management, information technology and business management that make up this allied healthcare profession. The program prepares student for the electronic management of patient health information and health care organization revenue cycles. The program is structured to provide a professional education with a comprehensive curriculum and is guided by the principle of quality health care through quality information.

The Health Information Management accreditor of Charter Oak State College is the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM®). The College's accreditation for Baccalaureate degree in Health Information Management has been reaffirmed through 2031. All inquiries about the program's accreditation status should be directed by mail to CAHIIM®, 200 East Randolph Street, Suite 5100, Chicago, IL, 60601; by phone at (312) 235-3255; or by email at info@cahiim.org.

Student's may be subject to a criminal background check and drug screening prior to being placed in any internship. Furthermore, anyone convicted of a felony and even some misdemeanors will not be able to complete most certification and licensing exams, nor find gainful employment in most health care settings. All foundation and major requirements must be completed with a grade of 'C' or higher.

Twenty-one (21) of the Major requirement credits must be completed at Charter Oak, including HIM 498 & HIM 499. In order to earn a Bachelor's degree at Charter Oak, all Major, General Education, Liberal Arts , elective, and Upper Division credit must equal 120 or more credits.

Foundation Requirements

HCA 101: Health Care Systems and Administration	3 cr
HCA 105: Medical Terminology	3 cr

Major Requirements

HIM 115: Principles of Health Information Management	3 cr
Choose one of the following:	3 cr

- HIM 200: Health Information Systems and Databases
- **HIF530 Introduction to Health Informatics and Hot Topics

HIM 205: Reimbursement Methodologies	3 cr
HIM 210: Clinical Classification Systems I	3 cr
HIM 211: Clinical Classification Systems II	3 cr
Choose one of the following:	3 cr

- HIM 300: Medical Vocabularies and Classification Systems
- **HIF540 Health Data Vocabularies and Standards

HIM 305: Health Information Services Management and Leadership	3 cr
HIM 315: Health Statistics	3 cr
HIM 320: Electronic Health Records and Health Information Exchange	3 cr
HIM 405: Health Care Information Law, Privacy, and Security	3 cr
HIM 420: Health Care Research and Quality	3 cr
Choose one of the following:	3 cr

- HIM 435: Health Care Data Analytics and Information Governance
- **HIF535 Healthcare Data Analytics

Choose one of the following:	3 cr
• MGT 460: Project Management	
• **HIF615 Information Technology Project Management	
HIM 498: Health Information Management Practicum	3 cr

Additional Requirements

These courses must be completed in order to satisfy a portion of the [general education requirements](#) for this degree.

BIO 130: Human Biology (Scientific Reasoning) *	4 cr
BIO 212: Anatomy & Physiology (Scientific Knowledge) *	3 cr
BIO 215: Pathophysiology (Scientific Knowledge HIM prerequisite) *	3 cr
MAT 105: Statistics (Quantitative Reasoning)	3 cr

* These courses must be completed with a grade of 'C' or higher.

**These courses must be approved as part of the [Fast-Track Undergraduate to Graduate Degree Program](#).

Fast-Track programs offer approved undergraduate students the opportunity to enroll in graduate credits to be used towards the completion of their undergraduate degree program at Charter Oak. This will not only allow for the completion of an undergraduate degree but will also allow undergraduate students the advantage of beginning a graduate program with the opportunity of completion within ^one year upon graduation from the undergraduate degree (^full-time course load is required).

Program Learning Outcomes

Students who graduate with a major in Health Information Management will be able to:

- apply knowledge of the different fields of medical science, information technology and business management applicable in health information management;
- utilize the fundamental facts, terms and concepts important to the processing of health information;
- apply information acquisition skills to the processing, maintenance and security of health information;
- analyze coding and billing data important in the processing of health information;
- discuss database information technology and apply it to modern electronic medical records management;
- evaluate quantitative and qualitative research methodologies in health information management;
- apply quality management techniques to health information management decisions;
- apply leadership skills and discuss the importance of maintaining staff development in health information management; and
- apply project management techniques to modern business management.