

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 healthcare organization revenue cycles. The program is structured to provide a professional education with a comprehensive curriculum and is guided by the principle of quality healthcare 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.

Students 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 healthcare 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 or via Faculty approved Credit for Prior Learning.

In order to earn a Bachelor's degree at Charter Oak, all Major, [General Education](#), [Liberal Arts and Electives](#), [Upper Level credit](#), and [academic residency requirements](#) must be met. Total credits earned must be a minimum of 120 credits.

Foundation Requirements

HCA 101: Healthcare Systems and Administration	3 cr
HCA 105: Medical Terminology	3 cr

Major Requirements

HIM 115: Principles of Health Information Management	3 cr
HIM 205: Revenue Cycle Management	3 cr
HIM 210: Clinical Classification Systems I	3 cr
HIM 211: Clinical Classification Systems II	3 cr
HIM 305: Health Information Services Management and Leadership	3 cr
Choose one of the following:	3 cr
• HIM 315: Population Health, Statistics, and Research	
• **HIF525 Epidemiology & Population Health Informatics	
HIM 320: Electronic Health Records and Interoperability	3 cr
Choose one of the following:	3 cr
• Healthcare Data Management	
• **HIF530 Introduction to Health Informatics and Hot Topics	
Choose one of the following:	3 cr
• HIM 405: Healthcare Information Law, Privacy, and Security	
• **HIF 645: Health Information Security and Application	
HIM 420: Healthcare Quality Management	3 cr
Choose one of the following:	3 cr
• HIM 435: Healthcare Data Analytics and Informatics	
• **HIF 535: Healthcare Information Analytics	
MGT 460: Project Management	3 cr
*HIM 499: Health Information Management Capstone	3 cr

*Courses must be taken at Charter Oak.

Additional Requirements

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

*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;
- utilize database information technology and apply it to modern electronic medical records management;
- evaluate quantitative and qualitative research methodologies in health information management;
- apply data analytics and informatics processes to the management of patient health information
- 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.