

HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT, B.S.

The Bachelor of Science joint-degree program in Health Information Management (HIM) with Rutgers University School of Health Professions (SHP) qualifies students for a professional certification examination. The HIM degree program is completed in two stages: Students complete 68 credits of prerequisite and General Education courses at NJCU and 61 credits of professional courses in HIM at Rutgers SHP. After successful completion of the program, students earn a Bachelor of Science degree in HIM from NJCU and Rutgers-SHRP and eligibility for AHIMA's Registered Health Information Administrator (RHIA) certification exam.

Health Information Managers are health care professionals responsible for the management of health information systems consistent with medical, administrative, ethical and legal requirements. Health information professionals collect, analyze and utilize data to provide information critical to the health care industry. Registered Health Information Administrators (RHIA) collect data from a variety of sources, monitor the integrity of the information, ensure appropriate access to health records, and manage the analysis and use of data. The RHIA is an essential connection between physicians, patients, payers and others in the healthcare industry.

Code	Title	Credits
Required		17
ACCT 251	Financial Accounting	3
BIOL 236	Anatomy & Physiology I ¹	4
BIOL 237	Anatomy & Physiology II ¹	4
MGMT 211	Principles of Management	3
CS 214	Business Applications on the Microcomputer I	3
Restricted Electives		8
CS 252	TEMP Programming for All in Python and Computer Science Principles	3
Total Credits		25

¹ This course requires a prerequisite

Joint Degree Program with Rutgers, course requirements at NJCU

Freshman

Semester 1		Credits
ENGL 101 or ESL 101	English Composition I or English Composition I for English as a Second Language Students	4 - 6
MATH 112	Intermediate Algebra	3
CS 214	Business Applications on the Microcomputer I (General Education Tier II Course) ¹	3
BIOL 130	Principles Biology I	4
WGST 110	Diversity and Difference: Identities, Communities, and Cultures (General Education Tier I Course) ¹	3
Credits		17-19

Semester 2

ENGL 102 or ESL 102	English Composition II or	4 - 6
MATH 140	Statistics I (General Education Tier I)	3
BIOL 131	Principles Biology II	4
General Education Tier I Course		
General Education Tier II Course		3
Credits		14-16

Sophomore

Semester 1

BIOL 236	Anatomy & Physiology I (General Education Tier II Course) ²	4
ACCT 251	Financial Accounting	3
MGMT 211	Principles of Management	3
General Education Tier I Course		3
General Education Tier II Course		3
Credits		16

Semester 2

BIOL 237	Anatomy & Physiology II ²	4
General Education II Course		3
General Education II Course		3
General Education II Course		3
General Education Tier III Course		3
Credits		16
Total Credits		63-67

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Prerequisites for B.S. in Health Information Management with Computer Information Systems Minor

Freshman

Semester 1		Credits
ENGL 101	English Composition I	4
MATH 106	Algebra for College Students	3
CS 214	Business Applications on the Microcomputer I (General Education Tier II Course) ¹	3
WGST 110	Diversity and Difference: Identities, Communities, and Cultures (General Education Tier I Course) ¹	3
Credits		13

Semester 2

ENGL 102	English Composition II	4
MATH 140	Statistics I	3
BUSI 201	Introduction to Business	3
CS 120	Computers and Information Technology	3
Credits		13

Sophomore**Semester 1**

BIOL 236	Anatomy & Physiology I ²	4
ACCT 251	Financial Accounting	3
CS 210	Fund Telecom Network	3
CS 232	Introduction to Data Bases & Discrete Search	3
General Education Tier II Course		3
Credits		16

Semester 2

BIOL 237	Anatomy & Physiology II ²	4
CS 240	System Design & Analysis	3
General Education II Course		3
General Education II Course		3
General Education II Course		3
CS Elective Course		3
Credits		19
Total Credits		61

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Student Learning Outcome

Upon completion of the Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Information Management, the student will be able to:

1. Analyze, design and manage a real-life health information system in health organizations.
2. Demonstrate the ability to orally communicate ideas and concepts about health information management.
3. Create written management documentation to illustrate clear system and user documents for health record related information.
4. Apply knowledge of health information management principles in management, design and development for the health records and system.
5. Recognize key ethical issues affecting health related information about patients and health organizations.