

Minimum required: 120 semester credit hours

Admission Requirements

1. The Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management (B.S.H.I.M.) degree with a major in Health Information Management requires admission to the university and admission to the program. Any student admitted to Texas State may declare pre-HIM as their major. To declare pre-HIM as a major, contact the College of Health Professions Advising Center. For more information visit: <http://www.health.txst.edu/him> (<http://www.health.txst.edu/him/>).
2. Any student meeting the requirements for the HIM major must complete an online application to the program (<https://www.health.txst.edu/him/admissions/Application.html>). For academic advising, students should contact the College of Health Professions Advising Center or the Department of Health Information Management.
3. Students completing the required courses for the BSHIM major will also earn the built-in Minor in Health Informatics (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/health-professions/information-management/health-informatics-minor/>).
4. Students must have completed the majority of the general education core curriculum and other prerequisite coursework listed below before being allowed to declare the HIM major:

Code	Title	Hours
HIM 2360	Medical Terminology	3
BIO 2430	Human Physiology and Anatomy	4
ISAN 1323	Introduction to Microcomputer Applications	3
or CS 1308	Computer Literacy and the Internet	
HP 3302	Biostatistics	3
or PSY 2301	Introduction to Statistics	
or MATH 2328	Elementary Statistics	
or SOCI 3307	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences	
or CJ 3347	Statistics For Criminal Justice	
5. Students must have a maximum of nine hours of general education core curriculum and prerequisite coursework remaining to declare the HIM major.
6. Students must have a minimum overall GPA of 2.50 and a minimum 2.0 Texas State GPA to declare the HIM major.
7. Credit for previous HIM coursework, credentials, and/or work experience will require a review of the student's transcripts and approval by the Department Chair.
8. Due to course sequencing and the scheduling of the professional practice experience assignment, students who drop out of the program for one or more semesters will be required to obtain approval from the Department Chair to progress.
9. Immunization Requirements - It is the policy of the College of Health Professions that each student must provide a health report completed by a physician or licensed healthcare provider, and must take specific immunizations before the student can be placed in a clinical or internship assignment. Information on these requirements and the required forms may be obtained through the department office.

10. Background Check and Drug Screening - As a condition for placement in some professional practice sites, some students are required to have a background check and/or drug screening to meet requirements set by individual sites. Information on the background check/drug screening process will be provided by the department. Previous misdemeanor or felony convictions under various titles of the Texas Penal Code may affect eligibility for practitioner license status following graduation.

General Requirements

1. The general education core curriculum courses are listed in the degree plan below along with the statewide component code number. See the General Education Core Curriculum (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/general-education-core-curriculum/>) section of this catalog for the Texas State requirements and options in the core curriculum, including Honors courses.
2. Students completing this program will earn the BSHIM degree with a Minor in Health Informatics (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/undergraduate/health-professions/information-management/health-informatics-minor/>) as a part of the curriculum.
3. Students must complete a minimum of 36 advanced hours (3000 or 4000 level courses).
4. Nine hours of writing intensive (WI) courses are required for graduation.
5. Any student who did not complete at least two years of the same foreign language in high school is required to take 6-8 hours of the same foreign language.
6. To graduate with a B.S.H.I.M., students must successfully complete all HIM and HI courses with a "C" or higher. HIM courses are normally taken in a lock-step sequence. Most courses are offered only once each academic year; therefore, progress in the program may be delayed if a student falls out of sequence due to failure to successfully complete the HIM and HI courses with the required "C" or higher. Due to course sequencing and the scheduling of the professional practice experience assignment, students who drop out of the program for one or more semesters will be required to obtain approval from the Department Chair to progress.
7. All students must have attained a 2.0 or higher Texas State University GPA with a minimum of 2.25 GPA in the HIM major and the Health Informatics minor courses to graduate.
8. During the second semester of the senior year students are required to take a five-week professional practice experience course. This course requires that the students spend a minimum of five weeks in other institutions (hospitals or healthcare related organizations) away from campus. Or, students who have already completed an associate degree in health information or another bachelor's degree or who have significant healthcare experience are required to complete a two-week professional practice experience course. Students must furnish their own transportation and housing. Due to the time and distances involved, no courses other than those listed can be taken in the final semester of the senior year.

Course Requirements

Freshman		
First Hours Semester	Second Hours Semester	
Communication Component Code 010	3 Communication Component Code 010	3
Mathematic Component Code 020 ²	3 American History Component Code 060	3
Government/ Political Science Component Code 070	3 Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030	3
Component Area Option 090	3 Social and Behavioral Sciences Component Code 080	3
US 1100 ¹	1 ISAN 1323 or CS 1308 (TCCN BCIS 1305 or COSC 1301)	3
	13	15

Sophomore		
First Hours Semester	Second Hours Semester	
American History Component Code 060	3 Government/ Political Science Component Code 070	3
Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030	3 Language, Philosophy, and Culture Component Code 040	3
HIM 2360	3 BIO 2430 (TCCN BIOL 2404)	4
Creative Arts Component Code 050 [TCCN HUMA 1315]	3 Choose one of the following:	3
Component Area Option 090	3 HP 3302	
	PSY 2301 (TCCN PSYC 2317)	

CJ 3347		
MATH 23 (TCCN MATH 1342)		
SOCI 3307		
15	13	
Junior		
First Hours Semester	Second Hours Semester	Summer Hours
HIM 3301	3 HI 3311	3 HIM 4370
HI 3310	3 HIM 3350	3 HIM 4363
HIM 3463	4 HIM 3380	3
HIM 3367	3 HIM 3364	3
HIM 3390	3 HIM 4393	3
16	15	6
Senior		
First Hours Semester	Second Hours Semester	
HI 4401	4 HIM 4383	3
HIM 4331	3 HIM 4385	3
HIM 4364	3 HIM 4390	3
HIM 4320	3 HIM 4501	5
13	14	
Total Hours: 120		

¹ If US 1100 is waived, the student must have a minimum of 120 hours to graduate. See the College Advising Center.

² One course from the following may be chosen to satisfy the Mathematics Component Code 020: MATH 1315 (TCCN 1314), MATH 1319 (TCCN 1324), MATH 1329 (TCCN 1325), MATH 2417 (TCCN 2412), or MATH 2471 (TCCN 2413).