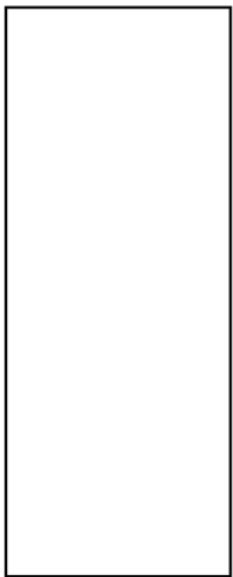




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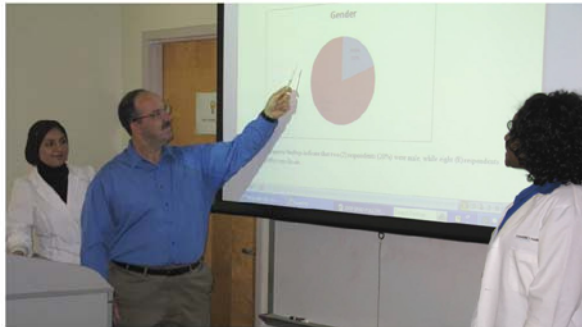
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HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Health Information Management (HIM) is the profession that focuses on health care data and the management of healthcare information resources. It addresses the nature, structure, and translation of data into usable forms of information for the advancement of health and healthcare of individuals and populations. This field is in great demand and is rapidly growing due to advances in technology and the ever-changing health care industry. Through the use of technology, HIM professionals collect, store, analyze, and retrieve primary and secondary healthcare data. They also disseminate and communicate information; and manage information resources related to research, planning, financing, and the evaluation of healthcare services. HIM professionals are important members of the entire healthcare team who provide quality information which directly contributes to quality patient care.



WHY HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT?

- It is an excellent career choice for individuals who are interested in healthcare, technology and business but do not want to work directly with patients.
- It is one of the fastest growing occupations in the health care industry. A Health Information Management (HIM) career places you right at the intersection where health care meets cutting edge technology.
- It is a career for individuals who prefer to work at home.
- Healthcare + Technology = Success for You

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WHY COME TO TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY?

- The HIM program at Tennessee State University is the only four year baccalaureate degree program with a minor in general business in the state of Tennessee.
- Graduates of accredited Health Information Technology (HIT) programs can transfer and apply their credits toward the four year baccalaureate degree program.
- The program prepares graduates to take the National Certification Examination for the Registered Health Information Administrator (RHIA) credential.
- The program offers small class sizes with a low faculty/student ratio.
- Students are also provided with hands on professional experience within various health care facilities.

JOB MARKET

- According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of HIM professionals is expected to grow over 16% (305,000 jobs) through 2016.
- Although most HIM professionals work in hospitals, they are employed in a variety of other healthcare settings.
- Salaries are competitive. Many graduates with a bachelor's degree earn from \$45,000 to \$75,000. After five years of experience, HIM professionals earn between \$75,000 to \$120,000.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A high school graduate with a GPA of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) or better or GED scores of 50 or better
- A minimal ACT composite score of 19 or better (entering freshman only)
- Students who transfer from other colleges or universities must have a GPA of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) or better
- Completion of all remedial and/or developmental courses
- Two letters of recommendation (family members are not eligible)
- A personal interview with the Department Admissions Committee
- A criminal background check
- The completion of a minimum of 20 volunteer hours in a Health Information Management Department at a healthcare facility



ACCREDITATION

The Health Information Management program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM)

