

M Undergraduate Major

Prepare for a position in today's technology-based, data-driven field of healthcare.

New technologies and regulations are profoundly changing the roles and requirements of healthcare professionals. The Health Information Management and Technology (HIMT) major will prepare you for a future managing information or technology in the healthcare field.

This online, partnership program including UW-Extension and four University of Wisconsin campuses is one of the only programs that teaches essential skills in both health information management (HIM) and health information technology (HIT). You'll gain an understanding of not only management of health data, but also the software and systems needed to do the job.

If you want to be part of the effort to improve healthcare, the HIMT program could be the right fit for you.

What is Health Information Management and Technology?

HIMT includes two fields focused on improving patient outcomes and reducing healthcare costs. Health information management professionals manage, analyze and secure patient's protected health information. They are trained in the business aspects of healthcare and take on leadership and compliance roles. Health information technology professionals do technical work related to electronic health record data, such as data modeling, warehousing, and transmission. They can build and adapt IT systems to drive clinical and operational effectiveness and efficiency.

Health information management jobs

Job titles and salaries of health information management professionals vary considerably and are usually dependent on work setting and experience. A UWL Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management and Technology (HIMT) can be the foundation for many health information management positions. Examples include:

- Health data analyst
- Insurance claims analyst
- Security or compliance officer
- Physician practice manager
- EHR (Electronic Health Record) privacy and security coordinator
- EHR analyst
- Health data scientist
- Health information manager
- Patient information coordinator

What distinguishes UWL's Health Information Management & Technology program?

- **Learn from top faculty across the UW system**
The HIMT program brings diverse faculty expertise together in one place. The program is a partnership of UW-Extension and four University of Wisconsin campuses — UW-Green Bay, UW-Parkside, UW-Stevens Point and UW-La Crosse.
- **Online classes**
Enjoy the flexibility of online classes.
- **In-demand skills**
Learn and become an expert in the new HIMT skills that are rapidly growing in demand.
- **Experience in the field**
Gain hands-on experience through a required internship with a semester long-project.
- **Choose your track**
Choose a concentration in Health Information Management or Health Information Technology. The HIM concentration provides a focus on human resources management, financial and resource management, and strategic planning and organizational development. HIT focuses on information technology and systems, preparing students to build and use software and hardware systems to manage, retrieve, and analyze data that will drive improvements in patient care.



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