

PROGRAM TO PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
 University of Wisconsin-La Crosse (UWL)
 College of Business Administration
 Information Systems
 Health Information Management and Technology
 And Western Technical College

Effective Date: October 1, 2017

Western Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree: Health Information Technology (HIT)
 UWL Bachelor of Science Degree: Health Information Management and Technology Online Degree (HIMT)

Purpose: This articulation agreement provides the opportunity for Western students who have earned the A.A.S. for the HIT major to be awarded the following equivalent credits upon entry to the UWL Information Systems HIMT major.

Transfer Courses:

General Education and Elective Courses

Western Technical College
10-806-177 General Anatomy and Physiology (4)
10-801-198 Speech (3)
10-801-197 Technical Reporting (3)
10-809-198 Intro to Psychology (3)
10-809-196 Intro to Sociology (3)
10-530-166 HIT Capstone (1)
10-809-195 Economics (3)
10-530-163 Healthcare Stats and Analytics (3)
10-530-167 Management of HIM Resources (3)
10-530-196 Professional Practice (3)
10-801-195 Written Communication (3)
10-530-161 Health Quality Management (3)
10-530-178 Healthcare Law and Ethics (2)
10-501-101 Medical Terminology (3)
40 credits

UWL Equivalent
ESS 205 (GE5) (4)
CST 110 Communicating Effectively (GE1) (3)
ENG 308 Technical Writing (not Gen Ed) (3)
PSY 100 General Psychology (GE6) (3)
SOC 110 Introduction to Sociology (GE6) (3)
No transfer
ECO 000C Economics Elective (GE6) (3)
MTH 000P (GE2) (3)
MGT 000L (not Gen Ed) (3)
No transfer
ENG 110 College Writing I (GE1) (3)
MGT 000L (not Gen Ed) (3)
PUB 999C (GE6) (2)
HP 250 Med Term for Health Professionals (not Gen Ed) (3)
24 credits General Education + 12 credits electives

Western HIT Major Core Course
10-103-103 Intro to Microsoft Access (1)
10-103-102 Intro to Microsoft Excel (1)
10-501-107 Digital Literacy for Healthcare (2)
10-530-162 Foundations of HIM (3)
10-530-164 Intro to Health Informatics (3)
10-530-197 ICD Diagnosis Coding (3)
10-530-199 ICD Procedure Coding (3)
10-530-182 Human Disease for Health Professionals (3)
10-530-184 CPT Coding (3)
10-530-165 Intermediate Coding (3)
10-530-185 Healthcare Reimbursement (2)

27 credits

UWL HIMT Major Core Course Equivalent
HIMT 300: Survey of Contemporary Computing (3)
HIMT 310: Healthcare Systems and Organizations (3)
HIMT 320: Survey of Information Technology in Healthcare (3)
HIMT 330: Healthcare I: Terminology and Body Systems (3)
HIMT 360: Healthcare II: Survey of Disease and Treatments (3)
HIMT 380: Healthcare Billing, Coding and Reimbursement (3)

18 credits Core

REQUIRED COURSES:

UWL General Education Program Requirements for the HIMT Bachelor of Science Degree will need to be completed. The following coursework will be required to obtain the Bachelor of Science Degree with a major in HIMT:

General Education Program Requirements (a minimum of 48 credits, 39 from the minimum of each category):

GE1 – Literacy – minimum 6 credits required: this is met with Western 10-801-198 and Western 10-801-195

GE2 – Math/Logical Systems/Modern Language – minimum 7 credits required: 3 credits met with Western 10-530-163

GE3 – Minority Cultures/Multiracial Women Studies – minimum 3 credits required

GE4 – World History/Global Studies – minimum 6 credits required

GE5 – Science – minimum 4 credits required: this is met with Western 10-806-177

GE6 – Self & Society – minimum 3 credits required: this is met with Western 10-809-198

GE7 – Humanistic Studies – minimum 3 credits required

GE8 – Arts – minimum 4 credits required

GE9 – Health & Physical Well-being – 3 credits required

GE Electives – minimum 9 credits required: 8 credits met with Western 10-809-196, 10-809-195, 10-530-178

Additional electives accepted (12 credits): 10-801-197, 10-530-167, 10-530-161, 10-501-101

HIMT Major Course Requirements:

Core Courses:

HIMT 340 – Ethical Issues, Security Management and Compliance (3 credits)

HIMT 350 – Statistics for Healthcare (3 credits)

HIMT 370 – Healthcare Systems: Analysis and Design (3 credits)

HIMT 400 – Healthcare Information and Technology - Data (3 credits)

HIMT 410 – Healthcare Systems: Implementation and Integration (3 credits)

HIMT 420 – Healthcare Systems: Project Management (3 credits)

HIMT 430 – Quality Assessment and Improvement (3 credits)

HIMT 440 – Group Process, Team Building and Leadership (3 credits)

HIMT 450 – Healthcare Information and Technology – Standards (3 credits)

HIMT 489 – Pre-capstone (1 credit)

HIMT 490 – Capstone (3 credits)

Students must complete at least one of the following concentrations

HIM Concentration:

HIMT 355 – Principles of Management for HIMT Professionals (3 credits)

HIMT 365 – Healthcare Economics (3 credits)

HIMT 415 – Human Resource Management in Healthcare (3 credits)

HIMT 445 – Application of Leadership and Management in Healthcare Technology (3 credits)

HIT Concentration:

HIMT 345 – Programming and Software Development (3 credits)

HIMT 375 – Database Structures and Management Systems (3 credits)

HIMT 425 – Data Warehousing and Mining (3 credits)

HIMT 435 – Data Communications and Networks in Healthcare (3 credits)

Special Considerations:

1. A minimum grade point average of 2.0 (0-4.0) must have been earned at Western.
2. Course credit will be awarded only if a grade of C or better has been earned in the HIT courses from Western.
3. The acceptance of Western credits applies only to students who have successfully completed or are eligible to take the Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT) exam. RHIT is a professional certification administered by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) in the United States. Passing the exam results in licensure as a health information technician.

4. The acceptance of credits applies only to this Program-to-Program Articulation. Students may lose the articulated credits if they change their major.
5. For acceptance of equivalent courses, Western courses must have been completed in 2007 or later. Prior to this period of time, course equivalents will be assessed on an individual basis.
6. This agreement is subject to review every three years from the effective date and if Western or UWL undergoes curriculum revision.
7. The agreement shall be effective on the 1st day of October, 2017 and shall automatically renew on each October 1, for an additional year, unless terminated with a one year written notice.
8. It is recommended that students complete 20-804-212 to fulfill the College Algebra prerequisite for HIMT 350 and complete the GE2 general education category requirement.

Signatures:

Western Technical College

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