Certificate in Health Care Informatics

College of Health & Human Services

Today, information drives healthcare more than ever. Information technology allows us to store that information. But without skilled collection, management and application, it's just data.

Informatics turns that data into power.

Power to improve patient care Power to manage resources Power to increase performance

With the Certificate in Healthcare Informatics, you'll learn how to harness and manage that power.

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The coursework for the Certificate in Healthcare Informatics prepares healthcare professionals, and others interested in healthcare, to work with information management systems. The six certificate courses will enhance your experience, qualifications and education.

Part-Time Program

The Certificate in Healthcare Informatics is a part-time, graduate-level certificate. Courses begin in the Fall Semester and continue for three consecutive semesters. Two courses are taken per semester and must be taken in sequence.

How to Apply

For information, visit www.govst.edu/chhs/certificates/hcif

Or contact Dr. Rupert Evans, Chair of the Department of Health Administration, at revans@govst.edu, 708.235-2131.

FACT

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects a need for an additional 12,000 informatics nurse specialists by the year 2016. (Source: Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2011-2012 edition, U.S. Department of Labor)

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Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting all relevant university requirements, applicants must:
Possess a bachelor's degree at the undergraduate level (preferably health administration, business/public administration, allied health disciplines, or computer science) from a regionally accredited college or university;

Complete the prerequisite courses, including CPSC 2005 (or equivalent course or professional experience) and a research methods course (HLAD 7105 or equivalent).

Certificate Requirements

To receive a certificate in HCIF, students must: Complete all required course work; Earn a grade of "C" or higher for all course work;

Maintain a "B" (3.0) average or higher for all course work;

Complete a capstone project.

Required Courses (18 Hours)

CPSC 6578 Networking Essentials (3)
HLAD 7103 Information System for Health
Care Managers (3)
HLAD 7106 Database Design and
Administration of Health Care System (3)
HLAD 7109 Health Care Informatics (3)
HLAD 8100 Health Information System
Analysis and Design (3)
HLAD 8104 Medical Records, Information
Security and the Law (3)

Total: 18 Hours

Courses of Study

All course are currently listed in the catalog. Students will take the required courses in the following sequence:

Fall Semester

CPSC 6578 Networking Essentials HLAD 7103 Information System for Health Care Managers

Spring Semester

HLAD 7106 Database Design and Administration of Health Care Systems HLAD 7109 Health Care Informatics

Summer Session

HLAD 8100 Health Information System Analysis and Design HLAD 8104 Medical Records, Information Security, and the Law

