

Health Care Info Systems (HCIS)

Courses

HCIS 230 Introduction to Health Information Systems (2 Hours)

This course provides an overview of the major concepts of health information systems for individuals with backgrounds in information technology (IT) or healthcare who are considering a transition into health information systems. 2 hrs. lecture/wk.

HCIS 255 Technology Concepts in Healthcare (2 Hours)

This course provides a basic overview of computing concepts related to the healthcare sector. Topics include computing terminology, computer architecture, and networking and data communication. The design and development of a large healthcare computing system is discussed, including the electronic health record. 2 hrs. lecture/wk.

HCIS 261 Networking and Health Information Exchange (2 Hours)

This course provides an in-depth analysis of data mobility. The hardware infrastructure (wired, wireless and devices supporting them), the International Organization for Standards (ISO) stack, standards, Internet protocols, federations and grids, the Nationwide Health Information Network (NHIN) and other nationwide approaches are discussed. 2 hrs. lecture/wk.

HCIS 262 Customer Service in the Health Environment (2 Hours)

This course introduces the skills necessary to communicate effectively across the full range of roles that will be encountered in healthcare and public health settings. Appropriate customer service skills, effective written and oral communication, and ethical and cultural awareness are emphasized. 2 hrs. lecture/wk.

HCIS 263 Working with Health Information Technology (HIT) Systems (2 Hours)

This course is powered by Cerner architecture to give students an opportunity to work with real technology used in the healthcare environment. This course focuses on the end user experience with emphasis also placed on standards, system usability, security and integration. 2 hrs. integrated lecture/lab/wk.

HCIS 264 Configuration and Implementation of Electronic Health Records (2 Hours)

This course is powered by Cerner architecture to give students an opportunity to experience real-world tasks in the role of a configuration/implementation analyst in the health information technology (HIT) workplace. This course focuses on designing and building a system with emphasis placed on implementation and configuration. 2 hrs. integrated lecture/lab/wk.

HCIS 265 Installation and Maintenance of Health IT Systems (2 Hours)

This course is powered by Cerner architecture to give students an opportunity to experience real-world tasks typically performed by an electronic health record (EHR) system administrator or support technician. Topics include testing prior to implementation, system configuration and system support. 2 hrs. integrated lecture/lab/wk.

HCIS 267 EHR Design, Functionality and Usability (3 Hours)

This course discusses human factors associated with designing and implementing health information systems (HIS). Concepts of usability and the effects of new technology and workflow redesign on downstream processes, such as clinical decision support, will be covered. This course provides an overview of the most utilized electronic health systems. System features are evaluated and compared as they would relate to practical deployments. Key factors such as cost, licensing and staffing are also discussed.

HCIS 270 Health Information Systems Internship* (2 Hours)

Prerequisites or corequisites: Enrollment in Health Information Systems (HCIS) coursework and Department approval (It is recommended students complete 10 credit hours of HCIS coursework prior to enrollment.)

Students will work in an approved training situation under instructional supervision. The internship is designed to give the student the opportunity to use the knowledge and skills acquired in the healthcare information systems (HCIS) courses. An average of 40-60 onsite hours will be required along with class assignments for a total of 90 hrs./semester.

HCIS 271 The Culture of Healthcare (2 Hours)

This course introduces students to job expectations in healthcare settings. Topics also include the organization of care inside a practice setting, privacy laws, the changing environment of healthcare delivery, and professional and ethical issues. 2 hrs. lecture/wk.

HCIS 272 Terminology in Health Care Settings (2 Hours)

This course introduces students to terminology and clinical procedures associated with body systems. It also covers terminology related to health information management (HIM), health information technology (HIT), and public health. 2 hrs. lecture/wk.

HCIS 273 Quality Improvement in Healthcare (2 Hours)

This course introduces the concepts of health information technology (HIT) and practice workflow redesign as instruments of quality improvement (QI). Students will learn methods to establish a culture that supports increased quality and safety in healthcare. Approaches to assessing patient safety issues and implementing quality management and reporting through electronic systems will be discussed. 2 hrs. lecture/wk.

HCIS 274 Healthcare Workflow Analysis and Redesign (2 Hours)

This course introduces healthcare workflow analysis and redesign as a necessary component of complete practice automation. The topics of process validation and change management are also covered. 2 hrs. lecture/wk.

HCIS 275 Health Information Systems (2 Hours)

This course addresses concepts of information systems specific to healthcare and public health applications. Students will be introduced to health information technology (HIT) standards, health-related data structures, software applications and enterprise information architecture in healthcare and public health organizations. 2 hrs. lecture/wk.

HCIS 277 Training and Instructional Design (2 Hours)

This course provides participants with essential knowledge and skills to deliver training to adult learners implementing electronic health records (EHRs) in a variety of healthcare settings. The Instructional Systems Design (ISD) model, which includes analysis of the learner and learning environment, design and development of customized education, implementation of the training plan and evaluation of the training program's effectiveness, will be used. 2 hrs lecture/wk.

HCIS 292 Special Topics: (1-2 Hour)

This course periodically presents specialized topics in Health Information Systems (HIS) that are not available in the regularly offered curriculum. Special Topics may be repeated for credit, but only on different topics.