Graduate Certificate: Health Informatics

COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Learn more about the graduate certificate in Health Informatics.

About the Certificate

The Health Informatics (HI) certificate is a 12-credit graduate certificate program designed to provide students with the skills and competencies needed to embark on or advance a career in health informatics. The certificate program provides hands-on skills taught by industry leaders. The program is designed to expand students’ understanding of privacy and security requirements, the role of standards and data exchange, and fundamentals associated with managing health information technology. In addition, approximately 50 hours of training and assignments are conducted in an educational electronic health record (EHR) setting, providing the student with hands-on skills.

Courses taken in the certificate program count toward the MS in Health Informatics, if the student continues in the master's program.

Time Limit for Certificate Completion: 2 years

Campus Location: Online

Full-Time/Part-Time Status: The graduate certificate may be completed on a part-time basis.

Non-Matriculated Student Policy: The certificate program is not open to non-matriculated graduate students.

Admission Requirements and Deadlines

Application Deadline: 
Fall and Spring admissions are on a rolling basis. Apply at https://sophasexpress.liaisoncas.com/.

Bachelor’s Degree in Discipline/Related Discipline: Applicants must hold a baccalaureate degree, having earned a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, from an accredited college or university. Transcripts from all postsecondary institutions attended must be uploaded at SOPHAS Express.

Standardized Test Scores:
Applicants who earned their baccalaureate degree from an institution where the language of instruction was other than English, with the exception of those who subsequently earned a master's degree at a U.S. institution, must report scores for a standardized test of English that meet these minimums:

- TOEFL iBT: 79
- IELTS Academic: 6.5
- PTE Academic: 53

Laptop: All incoming students in the College of Public Health are required to have a laptop. Academic programs in the college are technology intensive. They incorporate statistical and database analyses; utilize specialized tools for athletic training, kinesiology and physical therapy; stream audio and video for communication sciences; facilitate online interactive counseling for social work; and foster clinical experiences and online assessments. The laptop requirement enables the College of Public Health to improve opportunities for active learning and provide greater access to specialized software and required tools in and out of the classroom, better preparing students for the workforce. Learn more about device specifications and suggested vendors. Students can use excess financial aid (i.e., funds that are reimbursed after all tuition and fees are paid) to meet student needs, including the purchase of a laptop. Scholarships may also provide funding.

Certificate Requirements

Number of Credits Required to Complete the Certificate: 12

Required Courses:

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Total Credit Hours 12

GPA Required to be Awarded the Certificate: 3.0 minimum
Contacts

Certificate Program Web Address:
https://www.temple.edu/academics/degree-programs/health-informatics-certificate-graduate-hp-hlti-grad

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