



**Bachelor of Science in**

# **HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT**

**Make Your Comeback in Today's Dynamic Health Care Industry**

This is your time. Become a valuable member of the rapidly evolving health care industry with a bachelor's degree in health information management. Our program helps you grow specialized skills in collecting, analyzing, and protecting vital patient information so you can use technology to improve patient care. The curriculum combines medicine, management, finance, information technology, and law, preparing you for a wide range of opportunities across many health-related settings.



# Why Study at Purdue Global’s School of Health Sciences?

## Built for Working Adults

Complete courses online, without compromising your work or family schedule.

## Backed by the Power of Purdue

Earn a degree you can be proud of — and employers will respect. Achieve more in the health care field with a name that opens doors in your career.

## Experience Counts as Credit

Get the credit you deserve. Transfer up to 75% of your degree requirements to graduate sooner. You can use prior academic, work, and military experience for credit.<sup>1</sup>

## Practical Experience You Can Count On

Gain on-the-job training through a professional practice experience at a local hospital or health care facility. Then, apply what you have learned throughout the program to real-world HIM applications in your final capstone.

## Expert Faculty

Learn from health care and education experts who are practicing professionals in the field. All Health Sciences faculty possess advanced academic degrees.

## Personal Support

Work directly with faculty through online discussion boards and seminars, and enjoy no-cost individual tutoring. In addition, academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.

## Introductory Trial Period

Make sure online learning at Purdue Global is right for you. Enroll in the University and try our classes for 3 weeks — before you owe any tuition. That’s the Purdue Global Commitment.<sup>2</sup>

### An Education That’s Proven and Respected

Purdue Global is backed by Purdue University. One of the most prestigious universities in the world, Purdue ranked #16 overall and #1 in education among *Fast Company* magazine’s prestigious **World’s Most Innovative Companies**.<sup>3</sup>

# Take the Next Step in Your Education and Career

BUILD THE CORE SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES THAT EMPLOYERS DEMAND	ACCELERATE YOUR BACHELOR’S DEGREE
<p>Advance your career in technology-supported, data-driven settings across the health care industry. Develop the skills to ensure that an organization’s patient data is effectively managed and in regulatory compliance. Program graduates are able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Demonstrate foundational knowledge of the principles of planning, designing, managing, and evaluating electronic information systems.</li><li>▪ Apply research and critical thinking skills to create solutions for health care issues.</li><li>▪ Analyze the forces impacting health care delivery and health information systems.</li><li>▪ Implement best practices in decision-making regarding the management of health information.</li><li>▪ Interpret and apply medical, administrative, ethical, and legal requirements and standards related to health care delivery and the privacy of protected health information.</li></ul>	<p>If you received a CAHIIM-approved Associate of Applied Science in Health Information Technology, your prior degree could put you on the fast track to your bachelor’s degree. (Prior completion of an associate’s degree is not a prerequisite for the program.)</p>

# Curriculum

Coursework focuses on planning, designing, managing, and evaluating electronic health information and data systems. The curriculum is reviewed and revised regularly by industry experts to ensure it reflects the most recent developments in the fast-changing HIM field.

## HIM Course Topics Include:

- Diseases of the Human Body
- Automation of Health Information
- Reimbursement Methodologies
- Quality Assurance and Statistics
- Medical Coding
- Health Care Administration
- Health Informatics
- Legal Aspect of Health Information
- Information Systems for Health Care
- Management of Health Information
- Strategic Planning and Change Management for Health Care

## Capstone Course

The program culminates with the completion of a professional practice experience (PPE) under the mentorship of an onsite preceptor. You'll have the opportunity to demonstrate your competency by applying what you know to real-world HIM scenarios and activities in an approved health care setting.

During the capstone course, you will also practice and take the RHIA certification exam. The RHIA exam is a graded activity in the capstone course and is required to be taken at no additional charge to the student.

## Program Detail

### Credit Hours: 180

Core: 45

Major: 113

Electives: 22

**Program Length:** 2–4 years (With transfer credit and other prior experience, the average completion time for Purdue Global bachelor's degree graduates in 2021-2022 was 2 years.)<sup>4</sup>

**Course Load:** 2 per term

**Terms:** 10 weeks long

**Start Dates:** Throughout the year

**Delivery:** The program blends online coursework and onsite experience. Completion of an 80-hour professional practice experience in a hospital or other health care facility is required to complete the course of study.

## Digital Health Professional Certificate

Completion of a five-course series in this program may qualify you to earn the CAHIIM Digital Health Professional Certificate. The Digital Health Professional Certificate Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM).

## Graduate Program Pathway

Earn your master's degree in less time with a graduate program pathway. You'll take graduate-level courses while completing your bachelor's degree and get a head start on your master's program. View the University Catalog for more information.<sup>6</sup>

“As the health care landscape becomes more complex with technology and data, the demand for highly skilled professionals continues to grow. Obtaining an education in health information management or informatics can help prepare you to meet the challenges of a rapidly changing health care environment”.

**Karen Getman MS, RHIA**  
BSHIM Department Chair<sup>5</sup>

## Additional Programs

### Bachelor's Degrees

- Health and Wellness
- Health Care Administration
- Health Education and Promotion
- Health Science
- Nutrition

### Master's Degrees

- Health Care Administration
- Health Education and Promotion
- Health Informatics
- Public Health

### Doctor of Health Science

# Career and Networking Opportunities

## Industry Outlook<sup>7</sup>

- According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of medical and health services managers, a category that includes **health information managers**, is projected to grow 28% from 2022 to 2032, much faster than the average for all occupations.
- Demand for professionals with knowledge of health information technology will be fueled by the large aging population as well as widespread use of electronic health records (EHRs).

## Career Pathways and Outcomes<sup>8</sup>

### Roles

- Medical records and health information technician
- Compliance/quality officer
- Medical and health services manager
- Patient information coordinator
- Medical biller
- Billing coder/coding specialist
- Privacy officer/manager
- Data quality manager
- HIM clinical documentation specialist
- EMR manager/consultant

### Settings

- Physicians' offices
- Hospitals
- Health care clinics
- Government agencies
- Software and IT vendor firms
- Insurance providers
- Consulting firms

## Center for Career Advancement

Our team of Career Specialists helps connect students with job and networking opportunities and offers the following assistance:

- Career assessment/exploration
- Resume and cover letter review
- Interview preparation/mock interviews
- Portfolio development to showcase your skills
- Assistance in building an online presence
- Job search and networking support
- Virtual career fairs
- 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

## Purdue Global Is Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission

Purdue Global is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). The HLC (HLCcommission.org) is an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

## Military Friendly

We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.

**Contact an Admissions Advisor at 844-PURDUE-G or visit [PurdueGlobal.edu](https://PurdueGlobal.edu).**

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer information, visit [Info.PurdueGlobal.edu](https://Info.PurdueGlobal.edu).

1 Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit. See the University Catalog for Prior Learning Assessment policy.

2 Students who inform Purdue Global they do not wish to pursue the program during the 3-week trial will not be charged. Students who choose to continue at Purdue Global will be billed for the full first term's tuition, including the 3-week trial, and will need to meet other specific requirements. Classes will be applied toward a degree if satisfactorily completed and students select to continue their studies at Purdue Global. No credits are earned if the student withdraws during the introductory period (3 weeks for new qualifying undergraduate students), which begins day one of the first term. Graduate programs and BS in Professional Flight not included. Additional terms may apply to international and non-U.S. citizen students. For further information, see the University Catalog.

3 Source: [www.fastcompany.com/most-innovative-companies/2023](https://www.fastcompany.com/most-innovative-companies/2023). Ranking applies to Purdue University West Lafayette and not to Purdue Global.

4 The average completion time for Purdue Global online bachelor's degree students who graduated in the 2021–2022 academic year was 2.1 years. Source: Purdue Global Office of Reporting and Analysis, July 2022.

5 This testimonial was obtained by Purdue Global. Views and opinions stated herein are the individual's and not necessarily those of Purdue Global. Individual student experiences may vary. The program referenced in this advertisement is designed to teach students certain skills that could be used in connection with the position stated, but does not qualify students to apply for that position. Purdue Global does not guarantee employment or career advancement. Additional training or certification may be required.

6 Estimated graduation date is based on the assumption that you will enroll in time to begin classes on the next upcoming start date, will remain enrolled for each consecutive term, and will maintain satisfactory academic standing in each term to progress toward completion of your program. Completion time is based on a full-time schedule. Programs will take longer for part-time students to complete.

To start a Graduate Program Pathway, students should consult with their Student Advisor to confirm eligibility. Not all Graduate Program Pathways are available on all tracks, and some may require students to meet academic standards to continue taking graduate courses in their bachelor's degree program. Visit the University Catalog for more information.

7 U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, Medical and Health Services Managers. National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.

8 Purdue Global does not guarantee employment placement or career advancement. Actual outcomes vary by geographic area, previous work experience and opportunities for employment.