Department of Health Services
Master of Health Informatics & Health Information Management

Health information is the foundation of health care. Health informatics combines technology with information systems and improved methods for electronic health records, security management and advanced data analysis. The Master of Health Informatics and Health Information Management (MHIHIM) program’s vision is to develop leaders who are prepared to collaborate, advocate and innovate to transform health information systems, resulting in improved health for a national and global population. This self-sustaining program is offered cooperatively by the Department of Health Services in the School of Public Health and UW Professional and Continuing Education.

**Highlights**
The MHIHIM prepares students to lead and support development of enterprise-scale information systems that integrate health care data with electronic health records (EHR). Taught by HIHIM and MHA faculty, the unique curriculum combines health informatics and transformational leadership skills with specialized training in health information management from a strategic, systems, business and operational standpoint—addressing needs of multiple stakeholders in electronic environments. A Certificate in Informatics and Health Information Advocacy is also offered—expanding understanding of enterprise systems, EHR systems, legal foundation in health care and skills required to establish and manage privacy and security at an organizational level.

**Degrees and/or Certificates Offered**
**MHIHIM (Master of Health Informatics and Health Information Management):** 21-month degree delivered through an executive-style format with monthly (Thu-Sat) on-site sessions and weekly webinars

**Certificate (Informatics and Health Information Advocacy):** Three-course sequence (autumn-spring) delivered through the MHIHIM first-year curriculum

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**Applicant Qualifications**
The MHIHIM serves professionals currently working in health care and related settings who want to broaden the scope and depth of their vision and influence in order to make a difference in their organization or to advance their skills in this area. The Certificate is for individuals interested in electronic health records, health law, privacy and security practices. Certificates students may also use this opportunity to explore their interest in applying for further study through the master’s program.

**Academic/Professional Opportunities**
MHIHIM students prepare for roles such as chief information officer, director of enterprise, content and information, VP of revenue cycle, health information systems consultant and privacy officer. Certificate students prepare for compliance review, privacy oversight, security management and EHR project management roles.

**Admissions**
A baccalaureate degree in business, health information management or other related field, with a minimum 3.0 GPA (final 90 quarter/60 semester credits) is required. Additional requirements apply for those whose native language is not English. Applications may be submitted on-line at: https://www.grad.washington.edu/applForAdmiss/.

**Application Deadline**
**Autumn Quarter Entry (only)**
MHIHIM: priority deadline of April 30
Certificate: priority deadline of August 15