



# Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management

School of Health Sciences

## Manage Information in Today's Dynamic Health Care Industry

The American health care system is undergoing dramatic changes that center on the integration of technology in patient care. Hospitals and health care organizations are upgrading health technology systems and moving from paper to electronic records. These changes have created a need for health information management (HIM) professionals with specialized skills in collecting, analyzing, and protecting vital patient information.

Kaplan University's online Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management program combines theory and practice, and can prepare you for success in today's increasingly complex electronic health environment. You'll learn how to use services and technologies to effectively support operations, management, and decision-making initiatives within the health information field. The program also includes an externship component, which will provide on-the-job experience at a hospital or health care facility.

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. Completion of an associate's degree is not a prerequisite for the 4-year program.

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# Opportunities in Health Information Management Are Expected to Remain on the Rise.

Graduates of Kaplan University's online health information management (HIM) program are entering an exciting, growing field. Medical and health services manager positions, which include health information jobs, are expected to offer much faster-than-average growth between 2014 and 2024.<sup>1</sup> Health information management combines the disciplines of medicine, management, finance, information technology, and law. Because of this unique mixture, HIM graduates can move into a variety of positions in many types of health-related organizations, and are increasingly branching out into nontraditional health care settings.<sup>2</sup>

Kaplan University's Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management program can prepare you to pursue these opportunities and achieve your professional goals. Our practical, career-focused program helps equip you with the knowledge and skills to launch your health information management career and become the kind of qualified candidate employers are looking for.

Students who have successfully completed the program can seek employment in settings including:

- Hospitals
- Physician's offices
- Long-term care facilities
- Insurance companies
- Pharmaceutical companies
- Medical manufacturers
- Governmental/health care facilities
- Software and consulting firms



## Designed to Prepare You for Success

Kaplan University's online Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management program offers a solid foundation in planning, designing, managing, and evaluating electronic health information and data systems. The comprehensive curriculum focuses on areas including information systems and technology for health care, management of health information, advanced reimbursement methodology, advanced health informatics, and organizational development for health care. Our dedicated, industry-experienced instructors are committed to your academic and career success, and will mentor and guide you every step of the way.

# Kaplan University's Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management curriculum emphasizes the following:

- Applying best practices in decision making regarding the management of health information
- Using research methods and critical thinking to create solutions for vital health care issues
- Applying professional, ethical, and legal standards of health information management
- Demonstrating knowledge of the forces impacting health care delivery and health information systems

## Program Detail

### Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management

**Credit Hours:** 180

**Externship Experience:** The program blends online coursework and on-ground experience. Completion of a 120-hour externship in a hospital or other health care facility is required to complete the course of study.

Program may not be available in all states. Contact an Admissions Advisor for details.



## Capstone Project

The Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management program culminates in the successful completion of a practice-focused capstone project. This project provides students with opportunities to apply what they've learned throughout the program to a challenging, real-world HIM problem or issue. Students conduct the capstone project under the mentorship of a faculty advisor.

## Here Is What One Faculty Member Had to Say

**Karalea Fisher**

> School of Health Sciences Full-Time Faculty



“The Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management program at Kaplan University trains learners to fulfill the role of custodian and governor of the health record—emphasizing health information systems. The application of the skills unique to health information management are emphasized through computerized training modules and an on-site externship.”

Views and opinions stated herein are the individual's and not necessarily those of Kaplan University. Individual student schedules and experiences may vary. This testimonial was solicited by Kaplan University.

# Kaplan University—A Different School of Thought®

## We Stand Behind Our Academic Quality. Try Our Classes Before You Owe Any Tuition.

Kaplan University wants you to make an educated decision about your education. As a new student, the Kaplan Commitment<sup>SM</sup> gives you a chance to experience real classes before deciding if you will stay and pursue your studies. If you withdraw during the introductory period, you will have no financial obligation beyond the application fee.<sup>3</sup>

### Why Kaplan University?

Our programs are designed to offer you the freedom to grow and pursue your goals. We offer:

- › Online classes that allow you to study virtually anytime, anywhere you have an Internet connection.
- › Personal advisors to help you select the courses to meet your goals.
- › Scholarships for eligible Kaplan University students.
- › A portfolio development course that could help translate your work and life experiences into college credit.<sup>4</sup>

### Other Programs

In addition to this program, Kaplan University also offers:

- › Bachelor of Science in Health and Wellness
- › Bachelor of Science in Health Care Administration
- › Bachelor of Science in Health Science
- › Bachelor of Science in Nutrition

#### Note From Dean

“Education is about opportunity, and a health sciences education offers you the opportunity to gain exposure to a rapidly changing field. At Kaplan University’s School of Health Sciences, we are committed to providing the training and skills to help you begin or advance a career in the health field. I hope you will join us.”



**Dr. Keith L. Smith**  
Dean, School of  
Health Sciences



#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION—PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer and gainful employment information, visit [www.kaplanuniversity.edu/student-consumer-information.aspx](http://www.kaplanuniversity.edu/student-consumer-information.aspx).

<sup>1</sup> Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2016-17 Edition, Medical and Health Service Managers, [www.bls.gov/ooh/Management/Medical-and-health-services-managers.htm](http://www.bls.gov/ooh/Management/Medical-and-health-services-managers.htm). National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.

<sup>2</sup> Kaplan University’s programs are designed to prepare graduates to pursue the stated positions, which have varying responsibilities. However, the University cannot guarantee employment or career advancement. Additional training or certification may be required. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary from organization to organization.

<sup>3</sup> Classes count toward a degree if satisfactorily completed. No credits are earned if the student withdraws during the introductory period (3 weeks for undergraduate students), which begins day one of the first term. Students who choose to continue their studies at the University will need to meet specific requirements. Graduate programs not included. Additional terms may apply to international and non-U.S. citizen students. For further information, see [catalog.kaplanuniversity.edu](http://catalog.kaplanuniversity.edu) and the Kaplan Commitment Statement. Application fee waived for campus and learning center students through December 31, 2017.

<sup>4</sup> Kaplan University does not guarantee transferability of credit from any of these sources. See University Catalog for the Prior Learning Assessment policy.

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