

# PRE-HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SCIENCES

## PRE-HEALTH AT K-STATE

At K-State, we do not have “pre-health” majors. Students interested in a health career will select one of the 250 majors offered at K-State and then declare their pre-health designation. As a pre-health student, you are paired with both an academic advisor, who makes sure you are completing classes to earn your degree, and a dedicated health professions advisor, who makes sure you are meeting the requirements of your professional school as well as helping you through the application process.

One of the great things about K-State not having a “pre-health” major is that students are able to select a major that is of both interest to them but will also provide them a great educational base to build on once they enter their professional school. While health information management programs have no preferred major required for admission, there are majors whose coursework aligns best to fulfill the prerequisites required for admission to health information management programs.

**Common majors: public health, kinesiology, nutrition and health**



**Personalized health  
career advising**



**Hands-on career  
preparation**



**Dedicated student  
organizations**



**Above average  
placement**

## PRE-HEALTH ADVISING

Pre-Health students have at least two advisors, an academic advisor; sometimes called a major advisor, and a pre-professional advisor; sometimes called a health professions advisor.

Major advisors help students understand what they must do to complete the requirements of their major (degree). Health professions advisors help students understand what they must do to become competitive applicants to health professional schools and programs.

## START YOUR APPLICATION PROCESS NOW

Pre-Health students begin their application to professional school the first day they step onto their college campus. Becoming a competitive applicant to any health professional school is a process that builds over time. Here are some ways to get a head start while in high school:

1. Take the highest-level courses available to you, particularly in math and science.
2. Study to learn, not to memorize; work to develop critical thinking skills and effective study habits.
3. Learn about your desired health care career through shadowing, serving as a CNA or researching the profession thoroughly online.
4. Volunteer and serve your community to show your interest in helping others.
5. Broaden your knowledge base to develop an appreciation for different ways of thinking and living through reading or interacting with those who have a different background, socioeconomic status or lifestyle.



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## PREPARING FOR HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

- The courses listed in this guide meet requirements for admission to the Health Information Management (HIM) program at the University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City (KUMC).
- Prior to entering the KU HIM program, students must complete 2 years of undergraduate coursework with a total of at least 60 semester hours that include the KU HIM program prerequisites.
- No grade lower than a "C" is accepted in any prerequisite course. A minimum 2.5 grade point average (GPA) is required to apply but most accepted students have a 3.0 GPA or higher.
- Requirements for individual HIM programs vary.
- Students who complete a two-year health information management program will receive a Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management.

### PREREQUISITE COURSES

<u>COURSE</u>		<u>HOURS</u>
ENGL 100	Expository Writing I	3
ENGL 200	Expository Writing II	3
COMM 106	Public Speaking	3
BIOL 198	Principles of Biology	4
BIOL 441	Human Body I	4
BIOL 442	Human Body II	4
<b>OR</b>		
KIN 360	Anatomy & Physiology	8
PSYCH 110	General Psychology	3
SOCIO 211	Intro to Sociology	3
PHILO 130	Intro to Moral Philosophy	3
GENBA 110	Business Foundations	3
MATH 100	College Algebra	3
STAT 325	Intro to Statistics	3
<b>OR</b>		
STAT 350	Business & Economic Statistics	3
ACCTG 231	Accounting for Business Ops	3
General Education Elective		3

### AVAILABLE SPECIAL INTEREST COURSES

Accounting for Investing & Financing	Pathophysiology & Clinical Evaluation
Public Health Biology	Administration of Health Care Organizations
General Chemistry & Lab	Intro to Leadership Concepts
Intro to Computing Systems	Principles of Management
Intro to Spreadsheet Applications	Intro to Marketing
Intro to Database Applications	Psychology Applied to Work
Principles of Microeconomics	Industrial Psychology
Principles of Finance	