

Health Informatics, Information Management and Administration









B.S. Health Information Administration (On-campus & Online)

The Health Information Administration (HIA) program at Loma Linda University leading to the Bachelor of Science degree is a two-year program that begins with the fall quarter of the junior year. It is the only program of its kind in California and has been offered by Loma Linda University since 1962.

The Health Information Administrator (HIA) manages health information systems that serve the needs of patients, the healthcare team, and the administrative staff. It is an excellent career choice for the person who would like to have a profession in healthcare that combines interests in data analytics, computer science, business, management, informatics, law, and medicine. This unique mixture provides the HIA with great opportunities in a variety of different settings and job titles along with substantial income.

Health Information Administrators have opportunities to assist in the development and implementation of health information systems for quality patient care, financial reimbursement, medical research, healthcare planning, and healthcare quality evaluation. Others responsibilities include privacy, security, and data governance.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Job opportunities continue to grow for HIAs. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, "employment of health information technicians is projected to grow 13 percent from 2016 to 2026, faster than the average for all occupations." As the population ages, they will require more care. More care translates to more documentation required and reimbursement for healthcare providers. "Additional records, coupled with widespread use of electronic health records (EHRs) by all types of healthcare providers, could lead to an increased need for technicians to organize and manage the associated information in all areas of the healthcare industry" (www.bls.gov).

EARNINGS

Full-time salaries in the profession range from entry positions paying approximately \$55,000-\$70,000 to advanced positions paying up to \$90,000+. Management positions may offer earnings as high as \$150,000.

EMPLOYMENT

HIA provides job flexibility for the person seeking work in a variety of settings. Many are employed by hospitals and medical centers in large urban areas. Others work in small community hospitals in rural settings.

The job market is rapidly expanding outside of hospitals. New openings are available in home health agencies, long term care facilities, outpatient care, mental health facilities, private medical practices and clinics, insurance companies, health management organizations, commercial and industrial firms, governmental agencies, legal offices, software vendors, and education.

Job positions include, but are not limited to, Director of HIM, Privacy Officer, Security Officer, Chief Compliance Officer, EHR Implementation Specialist, Data Application or System Analyst, Data Integrity Analyst, Consultant, Cancer Registrar, Medical Office Administrator, Revenue Cycle Manager, Data Quality Manager, Documentation and Coding Specialist, and Coding Manager.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

You will need to finish two years of prerequisite courses at a junior college or four-year college to be eligible to enter the program. The prerequisite courses, which prepare you for two years of study at Loma Linda University, are listed on the back.

The following programs qualify the graduate to sit for the RHIA certification examination:

- B.S. in Health Information Administration
- Certificate in Health Information Administration

GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT DISCLOSURE FOR CERTIFICATE IN HEALTH INFO ADM

The following link will provide information regarding the cost of the certificate, financing available, median debt, normal timeframe for completion, and job placement rates for students that have completed this program. Please go to: https://alliedhealth.llu.edu/sites/alliedhealth.llu.edu/files/docs/disclosures/hia/hia-Gedt.html

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TUITION COSTS - REDUCED!

The tuition for the HIA program is outlined below for full-time students enrolled during the 2019 - 2020 school year. **Our tuition is now significantly reduced and nationally competitive.** Actual tuition is subject to minor fluctuations from year to year. For information on financial aid, please visit the Financial Aid's website at: http://www.llu.edu/students/financial-aid.

\$37,765 91 Total Units x \$415 per unit + Enrollment Fees: \$4,968 \$828/quarter \$42,733 Total Cost

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Complete a minimum of 96 qtr. units at an accredited college/university
- Minimum 2.5 GPA
- Complete all program prerequisites (listed to the right in quarter units)
- Complete the LLU application, values and personal essays, and submit application fee
- 3 letters of recommendation indicating strong academic background and professional readiness
- · Interview, if deemed necessary

PREREQUISITES

HUMANITIES & RELIGION (20 qtr./14 sem. units min; incudes Religion)

HUMANITIES: Select from at least 3 subject areas:

Art/Music (performing arts limited to 4 qtr. units), History,

Literature, Philosophy, Foreign language/American Sign Language

RELIGION: Required only if student is attending an SDA college/ university 4 qtr./3 sem. units of Religion per year (8 qtr./6 sem. max)

NATURAL SCIENCES

Human Anatomy & Physiology/lab (complete sequence)

Intermediate algebra (2 years of HS math, 'C' grade or better)

Medical Terminology

Select one additional from the following areas:

Chemistry, Math, Geology, Astronomy, Physics

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Cultural diversity or anthropology (one course)

Psychology (one course)

Select one additional from the following areas:

Sociology, Political Science, Anthropology, Economics, Geography

COMMUNICATION

Freshman English (complete sequence)

Business Communications or Interpersonal Communications

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Personal Health or Nutrition

Physical activity (2 courses total)

ELECTIVES: To meet minimum total requirements of 96 qtr. units

PROGRAM OUTLINE

Outlined below are the courses for the entire Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Information Administration program for full-time students. *Note for on-campus students: Courses that do not meet the minimum enrollment of two students may be offered exclusively online.

Fall 2020	Winter 2021	Spring 2021
HLIN 321: Health Information Science & the Healthcare System I (4) HLIN 334: Clinical Classification Systems (4) HLIN 348: Pathopharmacology for HIA (4) RELE 457: Christian Ethics (2)	HLIN 322: Health Information Science & the Healthcare System II (4) HLIN 335: Advanced Classification Systems & Regulatory Compliance in HC (4) HCBL 346: Legal & Ethical Environment in HC (3) HCBL 345: Project Management in HC (3)	HLIN 340: Seminar & Portfolio for HIM (4) HLIN 347: Advanced Information Privacy & Security in Health Information Exchange (4) HLIN 430: Quality Management and PI in Healthcare (3) HLIN 354: Professional Practice Experience I (3) Religious Studies (2)
Total Units: 14	Total Units: 14	Total Units: 16
Fall 2021	Winter 2022	Spring 2022
HLIN 344: Healthcare Informatics & Database Management (4) HLIN 439: Management in Healthcare (4) AHRM 475: Healthcare Research & Statistics (4) HCBL 434: Financial Management for HC(3) Religious Studies (2)	HLIN 438: RCM for Healthcare (4) HCBL 471: Information Systems Management in HC I (4) HLIN 437: Data Analytics & Visualizations for HC (4) Religious Studies (2)	HLIN 454: Professional Practice Experience II (4) HLIN 472: Information Systems Management in HC II (4) HLIN 440: Leadership & Strategy Management in HC (4) HLIN 435: Seminar & Portfolio for HIM (4)
Total Units: 17	Total Units: 14	Total Units: 16
		Total Program Units: 91
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LLU at a Glance

>>> Founded in 1905 >>> A Seventh-day Adventist institution integrating health, science, and Christian faith >>> Offers over 200 programs in the health sciences >>> Houses eight schools: Allied Health Professions, Behavioral Health, Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health, and Religion >>> About 4,000 students >>> Over 1,300 faculty >>> 2,000 professional researchers >>> \$46 million dollars in private and public grants generated each year >>> Many service learning opportunities

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