Health Information Management Advising Guide

Portland Community College Cascade Campus – Allied Health

- Applications for the FALL 2023 program will be accepted March 6 – May 5, 2023
- See http://pcc.edu/programs/him for program and application information

For additional information contact Admissions: Amanda Gallo 971-722-5667 or healthca@pcc.edu

PREREQUISITE COURSES (DEADLINE EXTENDED - COMPLETED BY THE END OF SPRING TERM WITH A 'C' OR 'P' OR BETTER)

- ❒ **WR 121** – English Composition
- ❒ **MP 111** – Medical Terminology
- ❒ **MTH 58 or MTH 65** – Math Literacy or Introductory Algebra – 2nd term (questions? contact admissions)

- ❒ **CAS 120 –** Digital Literacy Skills
- ❒ **CIS 121** – Information Systems and Programming

ADDITIONAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS YOU CAN TAKE TO TAKE PRIOR TO PROGRAM ADMISSION

- ❒ **BI 121** – Intro to Human A & P (replaces HIM 128)
- ❒ **BI 122** – Intro to Human A & P (replaces HIM 129)
- ❒ **HIM 182** – Healthcare Delivery Systems
- ❒ **ES 101 or SOC 213** – Choose One
- ❒ **Arts and Letters General Education***

- ❒ **Another General Education*** class from Social Science, Arts and Letters or Science/Math/Computers
- ❒ **CIS 125D –** Database Application Dev I

* for General Education options see https://catalog.pcc.edu/generaleducationdisciplinestudies/

Mission Statement

The Allied Health Admission Office supports equitable student opportunity and success through a holistic admission review process rooted in assessing applicants' academic promise and accomplishment within the context of their personal and professional experience.

Point System Used for Admission to the Health Information Management program

For each of the below questions, response quality is an important factor in evaluating applicant materials. Responses are assessed on how well they answer all aspects of the question, the clarity of the response, and general writing ability displayed. PCC has resources to help with developing and writing quality responses.

QUESTION #1: Program Success Attributes (200 – 400 words)	25 points max
Attention to detail, Task Management/Multitasking and Communication are important attributes for success in the HIM program. Choose <u>ONE</u> of these attributes you consider a strength and explain why you consider it a strength and how you believe this will help you to be successful in the program. Provide at least one example to support your response. *Things to consider: What past experience(s) (work, home life, volunteer, other) really shows how the attribute is a strength of yours? Did the strength develop over time or did you come to important realizations along the way? How do you think this attribute will help you to succeed in the program and/or career?*	Content: up to 20 pts Writing: up to 5 pts

QUESTION #2: Experience (200 – 400 words)	25 points max
Please describe your experience related to healthcare and how this experience led you to apply to this program. _Things to consider:_ experience can include paid or volunteer work, community service, caring for a friend or family member, military experience, a personal experience that shaped your views on healthcare, or another experience that helps us understand your background as it relates to this discipline.	Content: up to 20 pts Writing: up to 5 pts

What is needed to apply to the program

- ☐ Apply to Portland Community College.
- ☐ Complete all prerequisite coursework with a "C" or "P" or better.
  - o You may apply if you are concurrently enrolled in prerequisites during the application period, but your application will not be considered complete until all prerequisite grades are recorded.
  - o Prerequisites in progress Spring and Summer Term will get points for a C grade.
  - o If you are completing your prerequisites at a school other than PCC, you are responsible for getting a new transcript sent for review within a week of the grade being posted.
- ☐ Review components of the application here
- ☐ Complete the Health Information Management program application.
- ☐ Obtain unofficial transcripts from previous schools. Official Transcripts are required upon acceptance.
- ☐ Have a plan in place to pay for school. If applying for federal financial aid (www.fafsa.ed.gov) please note it can take up to three months to receive an award if eligible.
- ☐ To view the Health Information Management application or for additional information, please go the Health Information Management website http://pcc.edu/programs/him or contact Admissions Coordinator Amanda Gallo at healthca@pcc.edu or 971-722-5667