

Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education

August 4, 2025

Joan Gabel, JD
Chancellor
University of Pittsburgh
4200 Fifth Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15260

Dear Chancellor Gabel:

The Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM) is pleased to inform you of its vote on **July 30, 2025**, to award **Initial Accreditation for Seven Years** to the Health Informatics Baccalaureate Degree Program at the University of Pittsburgh in Pittsburgh, PA. The Program's next Comprehensive Program Review for Continuing Accreditation will be in **2032-2033**.

The comprehensive program review conducted by the Health Informatics Accreditation Council and the CAHIIM Board of Directors recognizes the program's substantial compliance with the nationally established *CAHIIM 2023 Health Informatics Baccalaureate Degree Accreditation Standards*.

Progress Report Requirement: The program must submit a Progress Report that satisfies the remaining Standard deficiency that resulted from the program review process and that requires the institution's attention to achieve full compliance with the Standard. CAHIIM requests that a Progress Report be completed by **February 1, 2026**, that documents the way this deficiency has been resolved and includes evidence of implementation. The program director will continue to submit this information in the CAHIIM Accreditation System. Failure to submit this report by the due date may place the program on Administrative Probationary Accreditation. An unsatisfactory progress report or a Substantive Change in Program Director during the progress report process may result in a status of Show Cause.

The Commission recognizes you and your colleagues for your commitment to continuous quality improvement in higher education, as demonstrated by your participation in programmatic accreditation.

Sincerely,



Kim Theodos, JD, MS, RHIA, CPHIMS
Chair, CAHIIM Board of Directors

Encl: Initial Accreditation Award Certificate

cc: Anthony Delitto, PT, PhD, FAPTA, Dean and Professor
Dilhari DeAlmeida, PhD, RHIA, FAHIMA, Program Director, Associate Professor and Vice Chair of Education

Standard 12. Program-Specific Curriculum. Partially Met. The program's curriculum must reflect the program's mission, goals and objectives. The curriculum must build on the minimum health informatics competencies as specified in the AMIA Competencies for Health Informatics Education at the baccalaureate degree level. The curriculum must include evaluation methods used to assess student learning outcomes consistent with the student learning objectives. The curriculum must focus on the knowledge, skills and values as outlined by the program. CAHIIM will validate alignment of competencies and outcome assessments with the program's mission, goals and objectives.

Rationale Statements: Competencies described in the foundational domains must be included in the curriculum and the combination of knowledge, skills, and attitudes appropriately assessed. Foundational Domains, F1 - Health, F2- Information Science and Technology, F3 - Social and Behavioral Science, F5 Human Factors and Socio-Technical Systems and F6 - Social and Behavioral Aspects of Health were found by the Review Team to be Partially Met.

Guidelines for Compliance: Program provided updated syllabi and additional content to meet the requirements of the six Partially Met foundational domains.

The program addressed the reviewer/s identified concerns of the review team for Foundational Domains F1, F2, F3, F5 and F6 F1 was addressed through an explanation of adequate coverage for the topics in question.

F2 and F5 cited deficiencies were addressed by updating the CSET content.

F3 was satisfied by the replacement of two courses with additional content in courses HI 1510 and HI 1310.

F6 was addressed with an explanation that HI 1510 and HI 1310 also included social cognitive and behavioral models.

To be in full compliance with the standard, the program must demonstrate (provide evidence) that all updates and changes (HI 1310 and HI 1510) have been adapted and implemented.

The Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education

Certificate of Accreditation

CAHIIM certifies that the

University of Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Baccalaureate Degree

*met the Accreditation Standards for a
Health Informatics Program and is
awarded Initial Accreditation effective*

July 30, 2025

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