Faculty

Many years of industry experience is represented by MWSU's HIM faculty. Their backgrounds span the spectrum of traditional hospital-based HIM services, ambulatory care, practice management, legal practice, HIT (Health Information Technology), clinical coding services and risk management. They have worked in a variety of roles throughout their HIM careers from staff to key leadership positions. The faculty team also has years of teaching experience at the collegiate level; helping to launch the careers of many HIM professionals over the past two decades.

In addition to their educational and career achievements, the faculty have a track record of professional activism at the local, state (MoHIMA), national (AHIMA) and even international (IFHIMA) level. Marsha Dolan, MBA, RHIA, FAHIMA, Professor in the Department of Nursing and Allied Health and Coordinator of MWSU's Health Information Management bachelor's degree program, is an industry-recognized leader for her work on the definition, promotion and use of personal health records (PHR). AHIMA's Triumph Award was granted for her work on consumer engagement in their healthcare.

She is also a past-recipient of MoHIMA's Outstanding Educator Award and currently serves as an AHIMA-approved ICD-10-CM/PCS Trainer.

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Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management

- Healthcare career without the blood - Interested in a career in healthcare but not sure direct patient care is for you? Or maybe technology, business management or the law intrigues you. Did you know all of these can be found in healthcare too? A career path in healthcare called Health Information Management (HIM) may be the perfect fit for you!
- Changes in healthcare drive demand - HIM is one of the fastest growing fields in healthcare. With the nation’s push towards electronic health records in every care setting; the creation of a national health information exchange network; the analysis and use of the resulting data to drive healthcare policy decisions; and the myriad of laws and regulations that impact health information, it is no wonder that highly skilled and knowledgeable professionals are in high demand.
- Degree to meet the need - So, if a career in a high demand field that enables you to work on the business side of healthcare sounds intriguing, then MWSU’s Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Information Management is the degree for you.

Careers
Employment of medical records and health information technicians is expected to increase by 21 percent from 2010 to 2020, faster than the average for all occupations. (http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/medical-records-and-health-information-technicians.htm)

- Varied Roles - HIM professionals serve a vital role in healthcare bridging the critical data and information needs of providers, payers and patients. Their skills and knowledge in the processes of health information collection, analysis and dissemination help ensure quality patient care optimal operations management and legal and regulatory compliance.
- Varied Settings - HIM professionals can be found in a variety of settings including patient care organizations (hospitals, clinics, hospice, home health, long-term care), research firms, software vendors, consulting, sales, payers, state and national policy organizations, and education.
- Significant earning potential - Competitive salaries await graduates. Starting salaries for over half of new HIM BS graduates range from $30,000 to $50,000. Within five years, earnings of $50,000 to $75,000 annually are possible. To learn more about this demanding and rewarding profession, visit http://www.hicareers.com

Degree Program

- Real skills for the real world - MWSU's HIM program of study includes courses in the sciences, business and IT, coupled with hands-on activities using current industry-standard technologies. Onsite learning experiences in a variety of healthcare related settings help provide students with real-world skills for a career in this rapidly growing field.
- Convenient and flexible - The online program may be pursued on a full-time or part-time basis enabling students to balance work and life commitments with their educational and career advancement goals.
- Program Accreditation - MWSU's B.S. degree in HIM accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM).