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# INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES

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# Bachelor's degree



Health Information Management, Bachelor of Science (Bilingual)

Hochschule Hannover - University of Applied Sciences and Arts • Hannover

### Overview

| Degree  | Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management   |
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| Teaching language   | <ul><li>German</li><li>English</li></ul>   |
| Languages   | In the first semesters, health information management courses are held in English. Having reached<br>language level B2 in German, the student switches from health information management courses<br>held in English to courses held in German.<br>The student is responsible for attending complementary classes to learn German up to level C1. We<br>support the student in finding such (fee-based) courses. Courses at A2 and B1 level are also offered<br>by our university. |
| Full-time / part-time   | • full-time  |
| Programme duration  | 8 semesters, 9 semesters or more   |
| Beginning   | Winter and summer semester   |
| Additional information on<br>beginning, duration and<br>mode of study | Winter semester lectures begin on 20 September.<br>Summer semester lectures begin on 1 March.  |
| Application deadline  | In case you need a visa for Germany, immediate application is strongly recommended. Admission<br>letters will be provided throughout the year, so that you have more time to deal with the necessary<br>arrangements.<br>Winter semester deadline for EU/Schengen residents: 1 September<br>Winter semester deadline for non-EU residents: 1 June<br>Summer semester deadline for EU/Schengen residents: 1 February<br>Summer semester deadline for non-EU residents: 1 November   |
| Tuition fees per semester in<br>EUR                                   | None   |
| Joint degree / double degree<br>programme                             | No   |
| Description/content   | Are you interested in medicine? Do you like to work with computers? Do you want to contribute to the design of information processing in the healthcare system and thereby optimise medical processes? Can you imagine yourself analysing problems in the healthcare system and in medical   |

research utilising a structured approach and solving them together with doctors and computer scientists?

Then the BSc degree programme Health Information Management offers you development opportunities: computer science, medicine, statistics, information research and documentation methods – these are the essential contents of this future-oriented study programme. In addition, you will learn to communicate in a success-oriented manner and to work scientifically, and you will get familiar with the basics of business administration and management.

Your path to a career will be prepared in a practice-focused manner through projects, two intensive internship phases and application-oriented courses. Health documentation and information managers are sought after by pharmaceutical companies, hospitals, research institutes and other health care institutions. The career prospects are excellent and the demand is expected to increase in the future.

The innovative study programme is rooted in 35 years of practical experience of the Hannover University of Applied Sciences and Arts in training health information specialists. Small learning groups, a pleasant learning atmosphere and good contact between lecturers and students characterise the study programme.

The "Health Information Management" study programme is a special programme within the German university landscape. A wide range of employment possibilities await graduates. As health documentation and information managers, they will have a major responsibility, because the results of their work will be used to make further medical and business decisions.

Therefore, in addition to the necessary professional qualifications, we at our university also promote the sense of responsibility of our students in a health-oriented professional environment. Without teamwork and communication skills, a successful professional career in health care professions is not possible – which is why we offer our students appropriate preparation.

#### **Course Details**

| Course organisation                           | Computer science, medicine, statistics, information research and documentation methods are<br>essential contents of this future-oriented study programme. Students also learn to communicate<br>successfully and to work scientifically. Additionally, they get to know the basics of business<br>administration and management. The programme is divided into two study sections of three and<br>four semesters respectively and currently offers three specialisation options, which are<br>documented with a certificate: Methods of Medical Computer Science for Information Management,<br>Documentation of Medical Care Processes for Quality Management and Controlling or Management<br>of Clinical Studies and Statistics. The path to a career is prepared in a practice-oriented manner<br>through projects, two intensive practical phases and application-oriented courses. |
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| A Diploma supplement will be issued           | Yes  |
| Certificates for specific modules are awarded | Yes  |
| International elements                        | <ul> <li>International guest lecturers</li> <li>Courses are led with foreign partners</li> <li>Projects with partners in Germany and abroad</li> <li>International comparisons and thematic reference to the international context</li> <li>Content-related regional focus</li> <li>Language training provided</li> <li>Training in intercultural skills</li> <li>Integrated/optional study abroad unit(s)</li> <li>Opportunities for students to work abroad</li> <li>Specialist literature in other languages</li> </ul>   |

| Description of other<br>international elements          | Participants of the bilingual introductory phase will be offered a range of courses from the<br>Bachelor's programme in English. Additionally, intensive language courses are provided to elevate<br>international students to academic proficiency in German. Upon achieving a recognised B2<br>language qualification, students may commence participation in German-language degree-relevant<br>courses. Upon reaching level C1 proficiency, students have the opportunity to enrol via uni-assist in<br>our degree programme as a full-time student. They can then have their previously attended lectures<br>recognised and integrated with equivalent modules in the degree programme, potentially reducing<br>the duration of their studies significantly. |
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| Integrated/optional study<br>abroad unit(s)             | The Bachelor's programme in Health Information Management comprises two internship phases,<br>which occur in the fourth and seventh semester. Both internships can optionally be replaced by<br>study semesters or internships abroad. The university's International Office supports students in<br>finding a suitable foreign university, e.g. from the broad range of partner universities.  |
| Diverse intercultural background of students            | During the introductory bilingual period, participants are part of a small group of students from all over the world. In some of the lectures in English, they also have the opportunity to learn together with German students.  |
| Integrated internships                                  | Intensive practice phases are a particular advantage of our programme: They comprise five months<br>in the fourth semester and several weeks in the seventh semester. You can also write your<br>Bachelor's thesis on a topic of practical and industry relevance in cooperation with a company or<br>health care organisation. Extensive project work, excursions and seminars by distinguished guest<br>lecturers from the business world enable you to participate directly in current developments in the<br>dynamic healthcare industry.   |
| Course-specific, integrated<br>German language courses  | Yes   |
| Course-specific, integrated<br>English language courses | Yes   |

# Costs / Funding

| Tuition fees per semester in<br>EUR         | None   |
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| Semester contribution                       | No fees during the introductory phase (except for language classes)<br>Having reached the C1 level in German, the participant becomes a regular student (instead of a<br>guest student), and furthermore, he or she has to pay 402 EUR per semester. (Free public transport<br>within Lower Saxony is included.) |
| Costs of living                             | Minimum of 900 EUR per month   |
| Funding opportunities within the university | No   |

# **Requirements / Registration**

| Academic admission<br>requirements | A valid university entrance qualification must be provided with the application. Within two semesters, the qualification must be assessed by the uni-assist service. This service can be used for most German universities.  |
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| Language requirements              | A language level of B2 in either English or German is required.<br>Basic German skills (equivalent to A1) are required.  |
| Application deadline               | In case you need a visa for Germany, immediate application is strongly recommended. Admission<br>letters will be provided throughout the year, so that you have more time to deal with the necessary<br>arrangements.<br>Winter semester deadline for EU/Schengen residents: 1 September<br>Winter semester deadline for non-EU residents: 1 June<br>Summer semester deadline for EU/Schengen residents: 1 February<br>Summer semester deadline for non-EU residents: 1 November |
| Submit application to              | https://f3.hs-hannover.de/studium/bachelor-studiengaenge/informationsmanagement-<br>bim/intoprogram  |

# Services

| Possibility of finding part-<br>time employment            | Hannover is a city with a broad range of companies offering part-time employment for students.<br>Furthermore, the university is situated right beside the world's biggest trade fair area, which offers<br>a lot of job opportunities.<br>Skilled students can also get jobs in student tutoring, research projects, etc.  |
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| Accommodation  | It is not easy to find affordable accommodation in Hannover. There is a private student apartment complex right next to the university:<br>https://elevon-apartments.de/en/hannover-student-residency/.   |
| Career advisory service                                    | <ul> <li>The students receive support with key challenges on the way to a successful career in Germany:</li> <li>Having existing academic qualifications recognised for the German labour market</li> <li>Improving their own employability (soft skills)</li> <li>Obtaining a residence permit and work permit</li> <li>Acquiring the necessary language skills</li> <li>Establishing contacts with potential employers</li> <li>Finding mentors from the IT sector</li> <li>Finding access to the labour market (internship or permanent position)</li> </ul> |
| Support for international students and doctoral candidates | <ul> <li>Welcome event</li> <li>Tutors</li> <li>Specialist counselling</li> </ul>   |

- Buddy programme
- Accompanying programme
- Cultural and linguistic preparation
- Visa matters

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- Help with finding accommodation
- Support with registration procedures

Supervisor-student ratio

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