

Baccalaureate Degree Plan

Associate in Arts (AA) to BS Health Information Management

The sequence below is contingent on the student completing the AA degree from a college in the North Carolina Community College System.

| NC Community College First Year | | | |
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| Fall Semester | | | |
| NCCCS Course | NCCC s.h.. | ECU Course Equivalent | ECU s.h. |
| ENG 111 | 3 | ENGL 1100 (WI) ¹ | 3 |
| UGETC Natural Science Course | 4 | General Education Course | 4 |
| ECO 251-UGETC Social Science | 3 | ECON 2113 | 3 |
| ACA 122-CAA Premajor/Elective | 1 | COAD 1xxx (Elective Credit) | 1 |
| HEA 110² -CAA Premajor/Elective | 3 | HLTH 1000/KINE 1000 ² | 3 |
| Total: | 14 | | 14 |
| Spring Semester | | | |
| UGETC Humanities/Fine Arts Course | 3 | General Education Course | 3 |
| <i>Recommended: ART 111 or DRA 111</i> | | <i>ART 1910 (GD)³ or THEA 1000 (GD)³</i> | |
| MAT 171-UGETC Mathematics | 4 | MATH 1065 | 4 |
| UGETC Social Science Course | 3 | General Education Course | 3 |
| <i>Recommended: SOC 210 or HIS 131/132</i> | | <i>SOCI 2110 (DD)³ or HIS 1050/1051 (DD)³</i> | |
| BIO 163-CAA Premajor/Elective | 5 | BIOL 2130/2131 ³ | 5 |
| Total: | 15 | | 15 |
| NC Community College Second Year | | | |
| Fall Semester | | | |
| NCCCS Course | NCCC s.h.. | ECU Course Equivalent | ECU s.h. |
| ENG 112 | 3 | ENGL 2201 (WI) ¹ | 3 |
| UGETC Humanities/Fine Arts Course | 3 | General Education Course | 3 |
| UGETC Social Science Course | 3 | General Education Course | 3 |
| MAT 152-CAA GEN ED | 4 | BIOS 1500 | 4 |
| CAA Premajor/Elective | 3 | General Education or Elective Course | 3 |
| Total: | 16 | | 16 |
| Spring Semester | | | |
| UGETC Humanities/Fine Arts Course | 3 | General Education Course | 3 |
| CIS 110-CAA GEN ED | 3 | MIS 2223 | 3 |
| CAA GEN ED Courses | 6 | General Education Courses | 6 |
| CAA Premajor/Elective | 3 | General Education or Elective Course | 3 |
| Total: | 15 | | 15 |
| Dual Enrollment with ECU | | | |
| Students should dual enroll with ECU during the spring term of the Sophomore Year in order to take the appropriate pre-requisites to stay on track for the Health Information Management program for the start of the Junior Year. | | | |
| HSMA 2000 | 3 | | |
| Total: 3 | | | |
| Key: The Transfer Course List can be found at: NC Transfer Course List | | | |
| UGETC - Universal General Education Transfer Component courses | | | |
| CAA GEN ED - Additional General Education Hours (AA requires 13-14 hours; AS requires 11 hours) | | | |
| Pre-Major/Elective - Courses classified as pre-major, electives, or general education courses within the CAA (ACA 122 is required) | | | |

¹Students enrolling at ECU must fulfill the writing across the curriculum requirement prior to graduation. To do so, each student must complete a minimum of four writing intensive courses, including ENGL 1100 and ENGL 2201, at least one writing intensive course in the major; and any other writing intensive course of the student's choice.

²Students who have successfully completed HEA 110 since the Fall 2016 term will earn ECU credit for both HLTH 1000 (2 hours) and KINE 1000 (1 hour). Students who completed HEA 110 prior to the Fall 2016 term and who have not also taken PED 110 will be responsible for meeting the Health-Related Physical Activity Competency component of the ECU General Education Program to meet degree requirements.

³Students interested in pursuing PT, OT and PA should take BIOL 2140/41 (BIO 168) & BIOL 2150/51 (BIO 169) instead of BIOL 2130/31 (BIO 163).

NOTE: Credit will only be awarded for transferable courses for which a grade of C (2.0) or better is earned.

[Please refer to the East Carolina University Admissions website for more information on admission and transfer of credits.](#)



**Schedule of Courses Upon Admission to ECU
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Management**

| ECU Summer before Junior Year | | | |
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| HIMA 3000 | 3 | NOTE: If your community college offers MED 122, the course can be completed during the freshman/sophomore year and will satisfy the HIMA 3000 requirement at ECU and will not need to be completed during the summer. | |
| Total: 3 | | | |
| ECU Junior Year | | | |
| Fall Semester | | Spring Semester | |
| HIMA 3120 | 3 | HIMA 4030 | 3 |
| HSMA 3025 | 3 | HSMA 3020 | 3 |
| HSMA 3030 (WI) ¹ | 4 | HSMA 3040 | 3 |
| HSMA 3050 | 3 | HSMA 3045 | 3 |
| HSMA 3115 | 3 | | |
| Total: | | Total: | |
| | 16 | | 12 |
| ECU Summer before Senior Year | | | |
| HIMA 4138 (11-week Summer Session) | 3 | HIMA 4170 (1st Summer Session) | 3 |
| Total: 6 | | | |
| ECU Senior Year | | | |
| Fall Semester | | Spring Semester | |
| HIMA 4075 (WI) ¹ | 3 | HIMA 4153 (WI) ¹ | 3 |
| HIMA 4145 | 3 | HSMA 4050 | 3 |
| HIMA 4160 | 3 | HSMA 4905 | 5 |
| HSMA 4010 | 3 | | |
| HSMA 4055 | 3 | | |
| Total: | | Total: | |
| | 15 | | 11 |

Minimum Credit Hours Required for Graduation: 120

The Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management requires a minimum of 120 semester hours. ECU requires a minimum 2.0 overall GPA and a minimum 2.0 major GPA for graduation. A minimum 2.5 GPA is required for admission to the professional phase (junior and senior levels) of the Health Information Management curriculum. See health information management admission packet for specific admission information. Majors must earn a minimum grade of C (2.0) in all foundations, cognate and core courses before progressing on to subsequent courses in the HIMA curriculum. A student earning a grade below C (2.0) in any of these courses must petition the Department of Health Services and Information Management for probationary continuation and may be required to repeat the course. Three grades below C (2.0) will result in dismissal from the HIMA program.

Admission to the Health Information Management program is competitive. A completed application does not guarantee admission to the program.

Additional information and application for admission to the major can be obtained from the Department website:

[Department of Health Services & Information Management](#)

⁴NOTE: Completion of a 3 s.h. Global Diversity (GD) course and a 3 s.h. Domestic Diversity (DD) course are requirements of all ECU degrees. Though not required for transfer, recommended or required courses marked with GD or DD above should satisfy the requirement; students may choose other courses in these recommended areas. These courses can coincide with other General Education or Major courses. A list of all courses approved to meet the Global and Domestic Diversity requirement can be found in the University catalog: <http://catalog.ecu.edu>, click on the "Courses" link.

This plan reflects the degree program's requirements published in the 2022-2023 university catalog. All guides are meant as an example of how a degree can be completed. Course availability, prior credit, course prerequisites, major requirements, and student needs must be considered in developing an individual academic pathway. Following the Baccalaureate Degree Plan does not guarantee admission to ECU or guarantee an AS or BS degree will be conferred. Students should seek academic advising to determine the best course of study to meet educational goals and degree requirements.