2+2 Transfer Degree Plan
USC Palmetto College Campuses to USC Upstate
AA to BA, Health Informatics

Sample Full-time Plan of Study			
Years One and Two to be Completed through USC Palmetto College Campus			
Fall Year One	**Credits**	**Spring Year One**	**Credits**
ENGL 101 (CMW)	3	ENGL 102 (CMW)	3
Foreign language	3	Lab Science (SCI)	4
MATH 121 or higher (ARP)	3	Social & Behavioral Science (GSS)	3
ARTH, ARTS, MUSC (Fine Arts) (AIU)	3	STAT 201, PSYC 227, or SOCY 201 (ARP)	3
HIST 101, 102, 111, or 112 (GHS)	3	General Education elective	3
Total	**15**		**16**
Fall Year Two	**Credits**	**Spring Year Two**	**Credits**
CSCE 101	3	PSYC 221 (PSYC U325)	3
SPCH 140 or SAEL 200 (CMS)	3	ITEC 242 (INFO U345)	3
ENGL 463 (ENGL U245)	3	ITEC 233 (INFO U211)	3
Natural Science (w/lab for A.S. req.)	4	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	2-3
Total	**16**		**14-15**
Total Credits for A.S.: 60-62 hrs. CMW 6, ARP 6, GFL 3 (or exam), SCI 8, AIU 3, GSS 6, GHS, 3, CMS 3			
Years Three and Four are to be Completed through USC Upstate			

Major Requirements -- 78 hours total
Following the plan above, the 12 hours of major requirements italicized and marked with an asterisk* will have been met.
Note that all major courses require a 'C' or better.

Foundation -- 15 hours	Credits	Database Technology -- 6 hours	Credits
INFO U201: Concepts of Information Management	3	INFO U325: Fundamentals of Relational Databases	3
INFO U303: Organizational Informatics and IT Platforms	3	INFO U421: Data Warehousing and Decision Support Systems Technology	3
INFO U305: Social Informatics	3	**Capstone -- 6 hours**	
INFO U307: Systematic Innovation	3	HIMS U425: Public Policy Trends in HI	3
*INFO U345: Technical Presentation**	3	HIMS U499: Senior Seminar in HIM	3
Foundation Elective - 3 (choose one)	3	**Technical Electives –6 hrs. (Choose Two)**	
*ENGL U245: Business Writing**		INFO U139: Introduction to Object-Oriented Applications	
ENGL U318: Writing in Digital		*INFO U211: Microcomputer Organization**	
ENGL U346: Technical Writing		INFO U347: Webpage Construction	
Networking Technology – 6 hours		INFO U423: Human/Machine Interaction	
INFO U315: Networking Technology	3	INFO U427: Cybersecurity Technology	
INFO U450: Executive IT Management	3	INFO U445: Computer Forensics	
IT Management –6 hours		HIMS U426: Healthcare Finance	
INFO U441: IT Project Management	3	**Health Informatics**	**24**
INFO U450: Executive IT Management	3	HIMS U201: Understanding Healthcare Organizations	3
Electives (Choose Two)	**6**	HIMS U250: Dept. Admin. in Healthcare	3
BIOL U206: Genetics and Society		HIMS U301: Healthcare Info Systems	3
HIMS U350: Healthcare Quality Improvement		HIMS U302: Info Trends in Healthcare System	3
INFO U399: Independent Study		HIMS U412: Ethics/Risk Management in HIM	3
SOCY U357: Sociology of Mental Health and Mental Illness		HIMS U413: Healthcare Technology and the Electronic Health Record	3
JOUR U349: Health Messaging and the Media		HIMS U417: Healthcare Information Privacy and Security	3
*PSYC U325: Research Methods for Psychology**		HIMS U450: Quality Management/ Performance Improvement	3
INFO or HIMS U498: Experiential Learning			
SOCY U361: Medical Sociology			
Total Hours Required			**121-122**

Bachelor of Arts in Health Informatics

Frequently Asked Questions

Prospective students often ask how long the **Bachelor of Arts in Health Informatics** takes to complete, what the program costs and if financial aid is available, and if the degree is awarded through USC Upstate.

You can find answers to these questions below.

- Completion time varies based on accumulated credits in general education and other courses required for the major. The degree requires 121-122 credit hours. It is up to the student and advisor to decide the appropriate number of hours to take each semester.

- Students are eligible to receive applicable federal and state financial aid assistance. Current fees and tuition rates can be viewed at www.palmettocollege.sc.edu.

- The degree is awarded by the University of South Carolina Upstate and meets the same rigorous standards and accreditation as any traditional degree from UofSC.

Prepare for Your Future

The Health Informatics Program at USC Upstate is designed to deliver the required knowledge and skills for you to be a successful member of the professional team servicing healthcare patient and provider needs through information technology and data management.

Managing information for the healthcare industry is a lot more than data input, storage and retrieval. Understanding how to use this data, and providing the data as information to healthcare professionals is a vital and growing part of the industry.

Why should I complete a bachelor's degree in health informatics?

Individuals with a bachelor of arts in Health Informatics are employed across the healthcare industry, from insurance providers to hospital staff, to on-site clinic staff interacting directly with doctors and nurses to improve patient safety and health outcomes.

Why should I complete a degree online from USC Upstate through Palmetto College?

USC Upstate is the #1 ranked public baccalaureate university in South Carolina and the South's best college for veterans. As a Palmetto College student, you'll have access to USC Upstate's academic resources and enjoy a flexible schedule without having to relocate. And best of all, when you're finished with the program, you'll graduate with a degree from a top-notch, nationally recognized university.

For More Information

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