

Syllabus

Course Number: HIM 430

Course Title: Fundamentals of Law for Health Informatics & Information Management

Course Description:

This course examines legal concepts in informatics and health information management settings for compliance with laws, standards and regulations protecting the use, privacy, security and confidentiality of health information across various enterprises. Managing access and disclosure of health information and protected health information as well as e-health information is also covered. Graduate level includes completion of a project focused on role of Risk Management and Quality Improvement programs in health care organizations in responding to and preventing adverse events. Cross listing: HCI 630

Prerequisite Courses:

None.

Course Outcomes:

Upon completion of this course, learners should be able to:

Required Texts:

Brodnick, M., Rinehart-Thompson, L., Reynolds, R. (2012) Fundamentals of Law for Health Informatics and Information Management, (2nd Edition, Revised Reprint), AHIMA Press, Chicago, IL.

Online Format: Sign on to D2L (Home Page) and become familiar with the course navigation of the Web Curriculum.

Pre-Assignment Due Dates:

Online Format: The instructor will specify the due date for this assignment.

Course Assignments and Activities:

	Topics	Readings	Activities Assignments and Associated Points
1	Introduction to Health Law and HIPAA	Fundamentals of Law Text CH 1: Introduction to the Fundamentals of Law for Health Informatics and Information Management CH 9: The HIPAA Privacy Rule	Discussion: Ethical Case Study (10) Introductions Activity 1: Health Law Review (50) Activity 2: HIPAA Privacy Law (50)
2	HIPAA Security, Threats & Controls	CH 10: The HIPAA Security Rule CH 11: Security Threats and Controls	Discussion: Real World Security Breaches (10) Activity 3: Remote Employees (50)
3	Access, Use, and Disclosure/Release of Information	CH 12: Access, Use, and Disclosure/Release of Information	Discussion: Case Study (10) Activity 4: Access, Use & Disclosure (50)
4	The Legal System and Civil Procedure	CH 2: The Legal System in the United States CH 3: Civil Procedure	Discussion: Case Discussion (10) Activity 5: The US Legal System and Civil Procedure (50) GRADUATE Students : Case Brief (75)
5	Evidence and Tort Law	CH 4: Evidence CH 5: Tort Law	Discussion: Case Discussion (10) Activity 6: (50)
6	Consent to Treat and Required Reporting	CH 7: Consent to Treat CH 13: Required Reporting and Mandatory Disclosure Laws	Discussion: (10) Activity 6: (50)
7	The Legal Health Records	CH 8: The Legal Health Record: Maintenance, Content, Documentation, and Disposition Graduate Students ONLY: CH 14: Risk Management & Quality Improvement	Discussion: (10) Activity 6: (50) GRADUATE Students : (75)

8	Corporations & Corporate Compliance	CH 6: Corporations, Contracts & Antitrust Legal Issues CH 15: Corporate Compliance	Discussion: (10) Activity 6: (50) Final Exam (120)
			Maximum Points Possible:

CC&IS Grading Scale

Letter Grade	Percentage	Grade Point
A	93 to 100	4.00
A–	90 to less than 93	3.67
B+	87 to less than 90	3.33
B	83 to less than 87	3.00
B–	80 to less than 83	2.67
C+	77 to less than 80	2.33
C	73 to less than 77	2.00
C–	70 to less than 73	1.67
D+	67 to less than 70	1.33
D	63 to less than 67	1.00
D–	60 to less than 63	.67
F	Less than 60	0

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- The CC&IS Academic Integrity Policy.
- The Student Honor Code and Student Standards of Conduct.
- Incomplete Grade Policy, Pass / No Pass Grades, Grade Reports.
- The Information Privacy policy and FERPA. For more information regarding FERPA, visit the [U.S. Department of Education](http://www.ed.gov).
- The HIPAA policies for protected health information. The complete Regis University HIPAA Privacy & Security policy can be found here: <http://www.regis.edu/About-Regis-University/University-Offices-and-Services/Auxiliary-Business/HIPAA.aspx>.

- The Human Subjects Institutional Review Board (IRB) procedures. More information about the IRB and its processes can be found here: <http://regis.edu/Academics/Academic-Grants/Proposals/Regis-Information/IRB.aspx>.

The CC&IS Policies & Procedures Syllabus Addendum summarizes additional important policies including, Diversity, Equal Access, Disability Services, and Attendance & Participation that apply to every course offered by the College of Computer & Information Sciences at Regis University. A copy of the CC&IS Policies & Procedures Syllabus Addendum can be found here: <https://in2.regis.edu/sites/ccis/policies/Repository/CCIS%20Syllabus%20Addendum.docx>.

