Health information managers (HIMs) collect, maintain and analyse data that can improve patient care and help the health system run efficiently. The role is varied but may include:

- managing comprehensive patient information
- implementing and managing eHealth systems
- providing epidemiologists and researchers with data related to health investigation and enquiries
- supporting management with reports about demand and access of health services
- preparing information for government agencies about the health status of communities

**Why choose this course?**
QUT offers the only health information management course in Queensland. The course has been designed in response to national health reforms and the introduction of eHealth systems and associated infrastructure. Employment opportunities are excellent.

During this course, you will visit health information managers at major hospitals, government agencies and not-for-profit organisations. These experiences provide insight into the diversity of available roles and offer valuable opportunities to network. You will prepare for transition to the workplace with professional placement that can be completed locally or overseas.

Your study will focus on business management, analysing and managing budgets, and eHealth systems. Health units will develop knowledge in medical terminology, the Australian healthcare system and clinical classifications. Health information managers are well suited to leadership roles because they understand clinical practices, finance functions, information technology applications and staff management. The combination of knowledge across business, information technology and health will prepare you for many roles.

**Assumed knowledge**
Before you start this course we assume you have sound knowledge in these areas

- English

We assume that you have knowledge equivalent to four semesters at high school level (Years 11 and 12) with sound achievement (4, SA).
Bachelor of Health Information Management

Career outcomes
Graduates find employment, both here and overseas, in a range of environments including:
- hospitals and other health facilities
- government health departments
- software development firms (e.g., eHealth design and implementation projects)
- health insurance companies
- health research centres
- the pharmaceutical industry
- statistical agencies
- international aid agencies
- non-government organisations.

As well as working in health information services, graduates are able to work in specialist positions that include:
- business analyst
- clinical data manager
- clinical coder/coding auditor/coding educator
- clinical governance and risk management officer
- database administrator
- health privacy officer.

Professional recognition
Graduates of this course are eligible for full graduate membership of the Health Information Management Association of Australia.

Scholarships
You can apply for scholarships to help you with study and living costs.
- QUT Excellence Scholarship (Academic)
- Equity scholarships scheme
- QUT Sport Scholarship (Elite Athlete)

Advanced standing
Applicants who have successfully completed an undergraduate degree in a health science or IT-related field may be eligible for up to one year of credit for prior learning.

Course requirements
There are requirements that you will need to meet as a student in this course. You will need to identify these requirements and ensure you allow sufficient time to meet them. Some of these requirements have associated costs.

Blue card: You must undergo a criminal history check for working with children and be issued with a suitability card (blue card) before commencing clinical placement/practicum in an organisation where they may work with children or young people.

The processing of your application may take several months so you must submit your blue card application to HiQ as early as possible to ensure you have your card before you begin any unit that requires contact with children. There is no charge for student blue cards. Students who already have a blue card must register it with QUT.

Information is available from the Additional course requirements and costs website.

Fees
HECS-HELP
You may be eligible for HECS-HELP, a loan scheme to help you pay your course fees, if you are an Australian citizen or hold an Australian permanent humanitarian visa. For other conditions read the HECS-HELP information.

Student Services and Amenities Fee
You’ll need to pay the student services and amenities fee as part of your course costs. You may be eligible for SA-HELP, a loan scheme to help you pay your student services and amenities fee, if you are an Australian citizen or hold an Australian permanent humanitarian visa. For other conditions read the SA-HELP information.

Additional Costs
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This information has been prepared for Australian and New Zealand citizens and those with Australian permanent resident status. Some courses are not open to international students, and entry requirements and fee information may be different. For more information and to check if a course is available, international students should visit www.qut.edu.au/international. Last updated on: 27/06/2019. Information contained in this document was correct at the time of printing. The university reserves the right to amend any information, and to cancel, change or relocate any course. CRICOS No.00213J