

Ferris Program: Health Information Management

Degree Type: Bachelor of Science

Ferris College: College of Health Professions

Transfer School: Lake Michigan College

Consortium Eligible: Yes

Total Credits Required: 124

Catalog Year: 2024-2025

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS – 39 Credits Required

Students are encouraged to work with an advisor to select appropriate general education courses. Diversity Competency - 2 Courses Required. If not met by courses taken for Culture, Self and Society, or MTA, a student must meet the following: 1 course with the Global Diversity attribute and 1 course with the U.S. Diversity attribute.

Visit the Ferris State [general education page](#) for more information.

Communication Competency

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|----------------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| COMM 105 or COMM 221 | Interpersonal Communication or Small Group Decision Making | 3 | No Equivalent |
| ENGL 150 | English 1 | 3 | ENGL 101 |
| ENGL 250 | English 2 | 3 | ENGL 102 |
| ENGL 321 | Advanced Composition | 3 | No Equivalent |

Quantitative Literacy Competency

Requirements for Quantitative Literary Competency can be met with the following:

- Official Pre-2016 Math SAT Score of 560 or Higher
- Official Post-2016 Math SAT Score of 580 or Higher
- Official Math ACT Score of 24 or Higher

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| MATH 115 | Intermediate Algebra | 3 | MATH 122 |

Natural Sciences Competency

Two courses are required with a minimum of 6 credits: must have at least one lab course.

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| BIOL 109 | Basic Human Anatomy and Physiology | 4 | BIOL 110 |

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|---------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| Varies | Natural Sciences Electives (Consult Advisor) | 6 | Varies |

Culture Competency

Three courses are required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from two different disciplines and have at least one at FSU 200 level or higher course.

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Varies | Culture Electives (Consult Advisor) | 9 | Varies |

Self and Society Competency

Three courses are required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from two different disciplines and have at least one at FSU 200 level or higher course, and at least one Self and Society Foundation course.

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| Varies | Self and Society Electives (Consult Advisor) | 9 | Varies |

COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS – 85 Credits Required

College of Health Professions (COHP) Core Curriculum

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| COHP 101 | The United States Health Care System | 3 | No Equivalent |
| COHP 102 | Safety Issues in Health Care | 1 | No Equivalent |
| COHP 350 | Statistics in Health Care | 3 | No Equivalent |
| COHP 450 | Evidence-Based Health Care | 3 | No Equivalent |

Major Courses

58 Credits Required.

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| MRIS 101 | Introduction to Health Information Systems | 4 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 103 | Medical Terminology | 3 | No Equivalent |

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|---------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| MRIS 121 | Health Information Statistics | 2 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 122 | Health Information Concepts | 4 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 204 | ICD-10-CM Coding | 4 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 205 | ICD-10-PCS Coding | 4 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 209 | Quality Management in Health Care | 3 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 210 | Fundamentals of Disease Processes | 4 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 211 | CPT Coding | 3 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 220 | Legal and Ethical Aspects in Health Information Management | 3 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 221 | Foundations of Reimbursement | 3 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 261 | Health Information Technology Review | 1 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 293 | Professional Practice 1 | 6 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 402 | Health Information Management Principles | 3 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 461 | Health Information Management Review | 1 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 493 | Professional Practice 2 | 10 | No Equivalent |

Professional Support Courses

17 Credits Required.

| Ferris Course | Ferris Course Title | Ferris Credit Hours | Transfer Course |
|---------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| ISYS 105 | Introduction to Microcomputer Systems and Software | 3 | CIS 108 |
| COHP 300 | Health Informatics | 3 | No Equivalent |
| HCSA 310 | Health Care Finance 2 | 3 | No Equivalent |
| HCSA 336 | Health Care Supervisory Practices | 3 | No Equivalent |
| MRIS 345 | Health Information Technology and Health Information | 1 | No Equivalent |

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|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| | Management Internship Orientation | | |
| HSCA 474 | Health Care Strategic Application | 4 | No Equivalent |

PROGRAM CONTACT INFORMATION

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

New Student Admission Requirements

- 2.70 High School GPA (on a 4.00 scale) (2.50 -2.69 with college approval)
- Minimum Composite Score of ACT 18/SAT 950 OR 3.0 High School GPA (on a 4.00 scale) and Composite ACT 17/SAT 900

Transfer Student Admission Requirements

- Combined college or university GPA of 2.50 (on a 4.00 scale) from all institutions attended.
- Complete all course requirements necessary to complete the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Health Information Technology program at Ferris State University or related Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree.
- Transfer equivalency for Ferris State University's ENGL 150 or placement during the first semester at Ferris State University which would require an English ACT score of 16 or higher; or ERW SAT score of 450 or higher; or English Accuplacer score of 6 or higher.
- Transfer equivalency for Ferris State University's MATH 115 or placement during the first semester at Ferris State University which would require a Math ACT score of 19 or higher; Math SAT of 500 or higher; or Math Accuplacer scores: Elementary Algebra score 75 or higher and College Level Math 0 to 49.

MORE INFORMATION

To fulfill the residency requirement for a bachelor's degree a student must earn a minimum of 30 credits from Ferris State University.

Steps to Apply

- Complete your [free application](#).
- Submit official transcripts
 - Submit official transcripts from every school attended to Transfer@Ferris.edu
 - Or mail to:
Ferris State University Admissions Office
1201 S. State St., CSS 201
Big Rapids, MI 49307

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- Submit test scores (if required)
 - ACT Scores; go to the [ACT website](#) - Ferris State University School Code: 1994
 - SAT, CLEP and AP Scores; go to the [College Board website](#) - Ferris State University School Code: 1222

Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, transfer policies and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Ferris accepts transfer courses in which the student earned a letter grade of "C" or better. Additional policies such as the Ferris Sunset and Residency Requirement should be discussed with a Ferris advisor. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected.

Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective coursework may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Students must work with their Ferris advisor to declare a Minor or Concentration and for the selection of Directed Electives.

Once admitted, students are required to complete an orientation and should continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

To schedule an appointment or for additional transfer resources and policies see our [Transfer Resource page](#).

*Indicates an approved Ferris course substitution

Reverse Transfer Agreement

Ferris has reverse transfer agreements with several Michigan Community Colleges. Under such agreement, Ferris will provide your official University transcript to a partner school you have attended, so that they may grant you an associate or bachelor's degree upon completion of sufficient and appropriate credit hours from both institutions. In turn, the degree-granting institution will provide Ferris with an updated transcript reflecting the newly earned credential.

Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program-specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

Transfer Equivalencies Tools

The transfer equivalencies link is located in the Transfer Resources section at transfer.ferris.edu.

Disclaimer

Transfer guides are not intended to be a contract with Ferris. The information in this guide is subject to change and is aligned with the catalog year listed above. Students should contact their community college and/or Ferris to keep informed of changes. Students' final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Please refer to the [Ferris catalog](#) for the most current curriculum.

Partners may contact the Office of Transfer and Secondary School Partnerships with questions or updates at TransferGuidesArticulations@Ferris.edu.