

Curriculum Committee
AGENDA
March, 2025
Email

New Business

Curricular Items


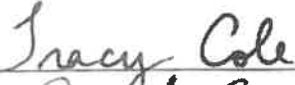


- I. College of Business and Economic Development – Le Moyne Smith School of Business
 1. Delete the Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management.



ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Request for Program Deletion (CERTIFICATE, DEGREE, OPTION, EMPHASIS, CONCENTRATION, or MINOR)

Department Initiating Proposal	Date
School of Business	2/8/25

Title	Signature	Date
Department Head Matt Brown		2/28/25
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Assessment Amanda Gardner		2/28/25
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Graduate College (if appropriate)		
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Committee	Approval Date
General Education Committee (Undergraduate Proposals Only)	
Teacher Education Committee (Graduate or Undergraduate Proposals)	
Curriculum Committee (Undergraduate Proposals Only)	
Faculty Senate (Undergraduate Proposals Only)	
Graduate Council (Graduate Proposals Only)	

Program Title:
BS Health Information Management

LETTER OF NOTIFICATION

Program Deletion

Deletion of a certificate, degree program, option, or organizational unit. Degree programs and certificates can be deleted with enrolled students. However, institutions must have a phase-out plan for those students. Deleted programs and certificates will be removed from the Approved Programs List during the academic year in which the deletion takes effect.

Required Information:

- 1. Current degree/certificate/option/unit title**
Bachelors of Science Health Information Management
- 2. Degree code**
2700
- 3. CIP code**
51.0706
- 2. Effective date, term, and academic year**
August 15, 2025; Fall; 2025-26
- 4. Reason for deletion and teach out plan**
This request for program deletion is based on fiscal concerns, as the program costs far more to maintain than it generates in revenue. In the fall of 2024, in the 7 sections of HIM courses, enrollment averaged around 7 students per course. In spring of 2025, across the 8 sections of HIM courses, the average was less than 7 students. In Spring of 2025, according to the Banner CPOS report, only 22 students are listed as pursuing the BS-HIM and enrolled in courses. The program employs 2 full-time faculty members, plus additional costs for overloads or adjuncts to fully cover the required program, and has a rigorous and expensive accreditation. With the exception of AHS 2013 Medical Terminology, none of the courses offered by this program are typically taken by students in other majors.

Teach-out plan:

All current students will be advised and assisted to complete their remaining coursework by summer 2027. Incoming transfer students who have completed sufficient prerequisite coursework to complete the 3000- and 4000-level HIM courses within that time period are still be admitted for fall 2025, but new freshmen and sophomores at ATU will not be able to declare HIM as a major.

HIM students progress as a cohort through 18 different HIM courses, each offered in only one specific semester, with the final courses ending in summer. Many of these courses have not previously been approved for substitutions. Thus, the two-year teach-out period will accommodate students in the junior and senior cohorts during academic year 2025-26, and then all remaining students for the senior cohort during academic year 2026-27.