

# COLLEGE OF NATURAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

# HEALTH SCIENCE



## PRE-HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT HEALTH SCIENCE PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM

Health information managers are responsible for the maintenance and security of all patient records. They must stay up to date with evolving information technology and current or proposed laws about health information systems. Health information managers must ensure that databases are complete, accurate, and accessible only to authorized personnel.

UNK is currently affiliated with the following schools of Health Information Management: University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City, Kan. and Dakota State University in Madison, S.D.



### Responsibilities in health information management:

- Reviews patient records for timeliness, completeness, accuracy and appropriateness of health data
- Organizes and maintains data for clinical databases and registries
- Electronically records data for collection, storage, analysis, retrieval and reporting
- Tracks patient outcomes for quality assessment
- Uses classification software to assign clinical codes for reimbursement and data analysis
- Protects patients' health information for confidentiality, authorized access for treatment and data security

### Alumni profiles

#### BROCK STONACEK:

"At UNK, I remember that after the first few weeks of a class a professor could remember your name, and everyone else's name."

- Brock Stonacek, UNK 2012, business administration B.S., public health minor, pre-mortuary science prerequisites; Kansas City Kansas Mortuary Science School 2013



#### KYLEE (GARDNER) SAATHOFF:

"I had wonderful professors who took the time to get to know me personally and who were truly invested in my success as a student." - Kylene (Gardner)

Saathoff, UNK 2008, biology, pre-occupational therapy prerequisites; Creighton University 2011, Doctor of Occupational Therapy



### Benefits of health careers

- Secure and meaningful employment
- Opportunities for advancement
- Variety of jobs in different settings
- Chance to help people in need

## HEALTH SCIENCE PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM: Pre-Health Information Management

SUGGESTED SEQUENCE FOR KEY PREREQUISITE COURSES  
Consult with your academic adviser.

Semester 1	Semester 2
CHEM 145 or 160	BIOL 103
Semester 3	Semester 4
BIOL 225	BIOL 226

## STUDENT PROFILES



### Tim Crocker

"I have experienced the best of both worlds – competing for the university in the wrestling program and receiving a top-notch educational experience along the way." – Tim Crocker from Kearney, July 2016, radiography B.S.



### Rachel Wemhoff

"Having a biology major has given me an outlet to satiate my curiosity, and at UNK, all of my professors have been incredibly knowledgeable and more than willing to share that knowledge with their students." – Rachel Wemhoff of Columbus, Neb., May 2015, pre-medicine



### Lauren Reiman

"They always say that once you step on a college campus you will know whether or not you belong, but I understood when I stepped foot on campus. It's a great community where you will be recognized in class by your professors because of the small class sizes. UNK is a perfect fit for me." – Lauren Reiman from Blue Hill, Neb., May 2016, pre-pharmacy

## Health Science Club

Members in Health Science Club would love to have you join!

- Be sure to check your LoperMail for the weekly edition of the Health Science Weekly newsletter that will include information on upcoming activities.
- Interested students can also **Like** UNK Health Sciences on Facebook to learn more about the organization.



## Did you know?

More than 700 students are enrolled in Health Science programs at UNK.

That means, one of 10 Loper students are interested in health-related careers.

UNK has an excellent record helping health science students gain acceptance into professional schools or clinical programs.

For more than a decade, the overall acceptance rate of UNK students into various health programs has been approximately 70 percent.

Job shadowing leads to employment according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

Not only will you benefit from the on-the-job training and gain insight into a particular career, industry, or company, but you will also be mentored.

**Learn more at**  
[www.unk.edu/healthsciences](http://www.unk.edu/healthsciences)

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