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## **ABOUT THE CATALOG**

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Harrisburg University has made every effort to make this catalog accurate; however, all policies, procedures or charges are subject to change at any time by appropriate action of the faculty, administration, or Board of Trustees. Each edition of the University's catalog is archived in the library.

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# 2017 – 2018 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

## GRADUATE DIVISION

### 2017 FALL SEMESTER (FA 2017-2018)

*August 26, 2017 – December 13, 2017*

<b>2017</b>		
August 25	New Graduate Student Orientation	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Executive Weekend Dates</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Orientation: August 25</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Session A Dates</u></b></p> <p>Weekend 1: August 26–27 Weekend 2: October 14–15 Weekend 3: November 18–19</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Session B Dates</u></b></p> <p>Weekend 1: September 8–10 Weekend 2: October 20–22 Weekend 3: December 1–3</p>
<b>August 26 – 27</b>	<b>Classes Begin</b> <b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 1</b> Add/Drop Period Begins	
September 4	Labor Day Holiday (No Classes, University Closed)	
September 5	Add/Drop Period Ends Census Date Last Day to Withdraw with 75% Tuition Refund	
<b>September 8 – 10</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 1</b>	
September 11	Last Day to Withdraw with 50% Tuition Refund	
September 18	Last Day to Withdraw with 25% Tuition Refund	
<b>October 14 – 15</b>	<b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 2</b>	
<b>October 20 – 22</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 2</b>	
November 3	Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a “W”	
November 15	Registration Opens for Spring 2018	
<b>November 18 – 19</b>	<b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 3</b>	
November 22 – 26	Thanksgiving Holiday (No Classes; University Closed 11/23 – 11/26)	
<b>December 1 – 3</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 3</b>	
December 9	Classes End	
December 18	Final Grades Due to Registration Office by 8:00 a.m.	

### 2017 LATE FALL SEMESTER (LF 2017-2018)

*October 28, 2017 – February 23, 2018*

<b>2017</b>		
October 27	New Graduate Student Orientation	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Executive Weekend Dates</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Orientation: October 27</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>All Session Dates</u></b></p> <p>Weekend 1: October 28–29 Weekend 2: December 9–10 Weekend 3: January 27–28, 2018</p>
<b>October 28 - 29</b>	<b>Classes Begin</b> <b>All Sessions – Executive Weekend # 1</b> Add/Drop Period Begins	
November 6	Add/Drop Period Ends – Census Date Last Day to Withdraw with a 75% Tuition Refund	
November 10	Last Day to Withdraw with a 50% Tuition Refund	
November 17	Last Day to Withdraw with a 25% Tuition Refund	
November 22 – 26	Thanksgiving Holiday (No Classes; University Closed 11/23 – 11/26)	
<b>December 9 – 10</b>	<b>All Sessions – Executive Weekend # 2</b>	
December 23, 2017 – January 2, 2018	December Break (No Classes; University Closed 12/23 – 12/26 & 12/30/17 – 1/2/18)	
<b>2018</b>		
January 15	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No Classes; University Closed)	
January 26	Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a “W”	
<b>January 27 – 28</b>	<b>All Sessions – Executive Weekend # 3</b>	
January 31	Registration Opens for Late Spring 2018	
February 23	Classes End	
February 26	Final Grades Due to Registration Office by 8:00 a.m.	

**2018 SPRING SEMESTER (SP 2017-2018)**

*January 6, 2018 – April 26, 2018*

2018		<b><u>Executive Weekend Dates</u></b>
January 5	New Graduate Student Orientation	<p align="center">Orientation: January 5</p> <p align="center"><b><u>Session A Dates</u></b></p> <p>Weekend 1: January 6–7 Weekend 2: February 10–11 Weekend 3: April 7–8</p> <p align="center"><b><u>Session B Dates</u></b></p> <p>Weekend 1: January 12–14 Weekend 2: February 23–25 Weekend 3: April 13–15</p>
<b>January 6 – 7</b>	<b>Classes Begin</b> <b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 1</b> Add/Drop Period Begins	
<b>January 12 – 14</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 1</b>	
January 15	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No Classes; University Closed)	
January 16	Add/Drop Period Ends Census Date Last Day to Withdraw with 75% Tuition Refund	
January 22	Last Day to Withdraw with 50% Tuition Refund	
January 29	Last Day to Withdraw with 25% Tuition Refund	
<b>February 10 – 11</b>	<b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 2</b>	
<b>February 23 – 25</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 2</b>	
March 5 – 11	Spring Recess	
March 23	Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a “W”	
March 28	Registration Opens for Summer 2018	
<b>April 7 – 8</b>	<b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 3</b>	
<b>April 13 – 15</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 3</b>	
April 21	Classes End	
April 30	Final Grades Due to Registration Office by 8:00 a.m.	
May 10	Commencement	

**2018 LATE SPRING SEMESTER (LS 2017-2018)**

*March 17, 2018 – June 22, 2018*

2018		<b><u>Executive Weekend Dates</u></b>
March 16	New Graduate Student Orientation	<p align="center">Orientation: March 16</p> <p align="center"><b><u>Session A Dates</u></b></p> <p>Weekend 1: March 17–18 Weekend 2: April 21–22 Weekend 3: June 2–3</p> <p align="center"><b><u>Session B Dates</u></b></p> <p>Weekend 1: March 23–25 Weekend 2: April 27–29 Weekend 3: June 8–10</p>
<b>March 17 – 18</b>	<b>Classes Begin</b> <b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 1</b> Add/Drop Period Begins	
<b>March 23 – 25</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 1</b>	
March 26	Add/Drop Period Ends Census Date Last Day to Withdraw with 75% Tuition Refund	
March 30	Last Day to Withdraw with 50% Tuition Refund	
April 6	Last Day to Withdraw with 25% Tuition Refund	
<b>April 21 – 22</b>	<b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 2</b>	
<b>April 27 – 29</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 2</b>	
May 10	No Classes due to Commencement Ceremony	
June 1	Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a “W”	
<b>June 2 – 3</b>	<b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 3</b>	
June 6	Registration Opens for Late Summer 2018	
<b>June 8 – 10</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 3</b>	
June 22	Classes End	
June 25	Final Grades Due to Registration Office by 8:00 a.m.	

**2018 SUMMER SEMESTER (SU 2017-2018)**

*May 5, 2018 – August 18, 2018*

2018		<u>Executive Weekend Dates</u>
May 4	New Graduate Student Orientation	Orientation: May 4
<b>May 5 – 6</b>	<b>Classes Begin</b> <b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 1</b> Add/Drop Period Begins	
May 10	No Classes due to Commencement Ceremony	<u>Session A Dates</u>
<b>May 11 – 13</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 1</b>	Weekend 1: May 5–6 Weekend 2: June 16–17 Weekend 3: July 28–29
May 14	Add/Drop Period Ends Census Date Last Day to Withdraw with 75% Tuition Refund	<u>Session B Dates</u>
May 21	Last Day to Withdraw with 50% Tuition Refund	Weekend 1: May 11–13 Weekend 2: June 22–24 Weekend 3: August 3–5
May 28	Memorial Day Holiday (No Classes; University Closed)	
May 29	Last Day to Withdraw with 25% Tuition Refund	
<b>June 16 – 17</b>	<b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 2</b>	
<b>June 22 – 24</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 2</b>	
July 4	Independence Day Holiday (No Classes; University Closed)	
July 20	Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a “W”	
July 25	Registration Opens for Fall 2018	
<b>July 28 – 29</b>	<b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 3</b>	
<b>August 3 – 5</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 3</b>	
August 11	Classes End	
August 20	Final Grades Due to Registration Office by 8:00 a.m.	

**2018 LATE SUMMER SEMESTER (LU 2017-2018)**

*July 14, 2018 – October 19, 2018*

2018		<u>Executive Weekend Dates</u>
July 13	New Graduate Student Orientation	Orientation: July 13
<b>July 14 – 15</b>	<b>Classes Begin</b> <b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 1</b> Add/Drop Period Begins	
<b>July 20 – 22</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 1</b>	<u>Session A Dates</u>
July 23	Add/Drop Period Ends Census Date Last Day to Withdraw with 75% Tuition Refund	Weekend 1: July 14–15 Weekend 2: August 18–19 Weekend 3: October 6-7
July 27	Last Day to Withdraw with 50% Tuition Refund	<u>Session B Dates</u>
August 3	Last Day to Withdraw with 25% Tuition Refund	Weekend 1: July 20–22 Weekend 2: September 14–16 Weekend 3: October 12-14
<b>August 18 – 19</b>	<b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 2</b>	
September 3	Labor Day Holiday (No Classes, University Closed)	
<b>September 14 – 16</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 2</b>	
September 26	Registration Opens for Late Fall 2018	
September 28	Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a “W”	
<b>October 6 – 7</b>	<b>Session A – Executive Weekend # 3</b>	
<b>October 12 – 14</b>	<b>Session B – Executive Weekend # 3</b>	
October 19	Classes End	
October 22	Final Grades Due to Registration Office by 8:00 a.m.	

## **THE UNIVERSITY**

### **HISTORY**

The University was incorporated in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on December 12, 2001, making it the first science- and technology-focused, non-profit, comprehensive university to be established in Pennsylvania in more than 100 years. Founded to address the Capital Region's need for increased educational opportunities in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) careers, Harrisburg University represents a major step to attract, educate, and retain Pennsylvania's diverse 21st century knowledge-based workforce. A grand concept that was championed by business leaders, government officials, and the regional news media, Harrisburg University was built from concept to reality in less than a decade. The Pennsylvania Department of Education granted the University its charter in 2005.

An independent institution, the University offers academic and research programs designed to meet the needs of the region's youth, workforce and businesses. The University serves as a catalyst for creating, attracting an expanding economic development and opportunities in Central Pennsylvania by aligning traditional undergraduate, graduate, and doctorate degrees with science and technology-based experiential learning.

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Harrisburg University of Science and Technology offers innovative academic and research programs in science and technology that respond to local and global needs. The institution fosters a diverse community of learners, provides access and support to students who want to pursue a career in science and technology, and supports business creation and economic development.

*Approved by the Board of Trustees on September 17, 2015.*

### **ACCREDITATION AND APPROVALS**

Harrisburg University of Science and Technology was reaccredited on March 3, 2016 by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104, (267) 284-5000. The Middle States Commission on Higher Education is an institutional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. The Doctor's Research Scholarship degree program (Ph.D. in Data Sciences) was granted by Middle States on January 4, 2017.

Program offerings are authorized by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Division of Higher and Career Education, 333 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA 17126.

Approved to participate in the federal Title IV, HEA student assistance programs by the U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202.



Approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education for veterans and eligible dependents to obtain education benefits through the Veteran's Administration (VA).

Approved by the Veterans Administration to participate in the "Yellow Ribbon" program.

Authorized under federal law by the Department of Homeland Security – U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (DHS-USCIS-SEVIS) as an eligible institution for the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) to enroll non-immigrant students.

## **STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT**

A student has the responsibility to engage fully in assigned work, make connections, communicate with other members of the University community, and develop professional competencies. The University is new in both thought and ideas. The student should be a partner in this endeavor, now and in the future. It is the student's responsibility to become engaged in the University's community of learners and develop a strong professional and ethical foundation as an individual. Each student is bound by the Student Code of Conduct, which is contained in the Student Handbook.

## **STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY VALUES**

Underlying the University's mission are the following basic values:

- the importance of personal integrity, honesty, and ethical decision making;
- the right of every individual to be treated with respect and dignity as a member of a learning organization;
- freedom of intellectual inquiry in the pursuit of truth, even if it defies commonly understood theories;
- acceptance and appreciation of human diversity regarding race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, age, ability, ethnicity, and political views;
- freedom from violence or harassment that would interfere with or disrupt university activities; and
- recognition that civic engagement is a component of the intellectual development of a student and provides a path for knowledge and personal development in the service of the community.

## **GRADUATE-DEGREE EDUCATION**

### **ADMISSIONS**

The University has a centralized Admissions Office to serve all prospective student applicants – undergraduate, graduate and non-degree. This centralized structure honors the University’s commitment to lifelong learning and to offer a more fluid and comprehensive service for those seeking access to a quality educational experience.

#### **Graduate Admission**

##### **Philosophy**

Harrisburg University of Science and Technology seeks to admit graduate program students from a variety of backgrounds. The University considers many factors in the review of applicant files and generally admits the qualified individual who has completed a baccalaureate degree with related undergraduate coursework, or those who have a baccalaureate degree but possess related professional experiences or potential.

Graduate education focuses on individualized career advancement in high-growth and high-demand areas of study within science, technology, engineering, management, and mathematics disciplines. This is accomplished by making certain that each student is completely engaged to gain knowledge at an advanced level, is able to specialize or generalize knowledge and skills according to needs and interests, and applies what is learned and researched to both practical and professional experience. This is also accomplished by involving corporate faculty members who bring a practical and academic perspective to the program and courses in the design, development and delivery of graduate education. This program is designed for working professionals focused on career advancement and who need flexibility of access and timeliness of content and delivery.

##### **Graduate Admission Process**

There is no application deadline. Graduate program applicants are encouraged to apply at least two months prior to the start of any semester. This application process allows ample time to be accepted, develop an academic schedule, and to process financial aid applications (if applicable).

##### **Graduate Admission Requirements**

Each applicant’s candidacy will be evaluated once all admissions materials have been received. The graduate admission process requires the candidate to:

- complete the application online at [www.HarrisburgU.edu/Apply](http://www.HarrisburgU.edu/Apply);
- submit final official undergraduate transcript(s) from the college or university at which a baccalaureate degree was conferred, and any other institution of higher education attended (whether or not academic credit was earned);
- submit a personal goal statement including:
  - o future goals: identify career/professional goals; and,
  - o leadership or group contributions: describe examples of leadership experience in which you have significantly influenced others, helped resolve disputes, or contributed to group efforts over time.
- submit a hard copy resume or by email to [Admissions@HarrisburgU.edu](mailto:Admissions@HarrisburgU.edu).

## **International Students**

An international student planning to attend the University on a student (F-1) visa must satisfy the appropriate admissions requirements and procedures, demonstrate proficiency in the English language, and provide an affidavit of financial support. Academic records should include courses studied, grades earned, diplomas, certificates, and results of comprehensive national examinations.

A demonstration of English language proficiency is required of any student who is not a United States citizen. Acceptable demonstrations would include one of the following:

- completing a college degree program from a regionally accredited United States institution of higher education,
- scoring above average on the Analytical Writing section of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE),
- earning a TOEFL score of 80 or higher on the web-based version, 200 on the computer version, or 520 on the paper version; or
- earning an IELTS score of 6.0 or higher.

Harrisburg University of Science and Technology is approved by the Department of Homeland Security – U.S. Customs and Immigration Enforcement (DHS-USCIS-SEVP) as an eligible institution for the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) to enroll non-immigrant students.

This approval allows an international student to apply for entry into the United States for study on an F-1 visa only after a complete application package is received an “Affidavit of Financial Support” is deemed sufficient by the University and a tuition deposit payment of at least \$1,000 toward the first semester’s tuition has been received. A USCIS Form I-20 is then certified and submitted to SEVIS. The SEVIS application fee of \$200 is then paid by the student directly to SEVIS.

Following entry into the United States and arrival at the University, the student will be required to provide a copy of the visa to confirm all identification information in SEVIS.

An international student does not qualify for Federal or State financial aid. Private education loans through participating lenders may be available, if eligible.

## **Graduate Non-Degree Students**

### **Graduate Non-Degree Status Admission Process**

Each applicant’s candidacy will be evaluated once all admissions materials have been received. Offers of admission are made to qualified applicants on a rolling basis.

Complete the non-degree application online at [www.HarrisburgU.edu/Apply](http://www.HarrisburgU.edu/Apply) or a paper application.

If required by a specific certificate or non-degree program, submit final official undergraduate transcript, providing evidence of completion of a bachelor degree program (no specific discipline required).

## **Graduate Non-Degree Status Policies**

An applicant should enroll under non-degree status when undecided about a graduate-level major or program, not interested in earning a master's degree, interested only in graduate-level professional development courses such as Educator Technology Clinics, or completing work with the intention of transferring the credit earned to another institution.

Non-degree applicants must have earned an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution. A student may apply no more than 12 graduate semester hours completed under non-degree status to a graduate degree program at the University. Non-degree status does not guarantee admission into a degree program. A student must maintain a 2.00 cumulative grade point average to remain enrolled.

An applicant whose native language is not English must submit his or her scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS). See following section for specifics.

## **Readmission**

The Readmission Application Form is available at Records and Registration and must be completed and submitted to that office. A student who was in good academic standing, had satisfied all financial obligations to the University at the time of withdrawal, and had no disciplinary sanctions imposed will be readmitted. The application of a student who left the University on academic probation or dismissal can only apply for readmission after an absence of one year. The application will be reviewed by the Provost, who will make the readmission decision. A student who leaves the University and returns from an absence of one year or more will be subject to the Catalog edition in effect during the year of return.

## **TUITION CHARGES, REFUND POLICIES AND BUSINESS OFFICE POLICIES**

All graduate tuition, charges and policies listed in this publication are effective as of July 1, 2017 and are subject to change, without notice, by the University's Board of Trustees.

### **Admission Application Charge**

There is no charge for application for admission to the University.

### **Tuition Deposit**

A non-refundable tuition deposit must be paid in advance of course registration for the initial semester of attendance.

### **Tuition – Semester Schedule**

Tuition payment or satisfactory arrangement to pay tuition is due generally one week prior to the beginning of the semester. A graduate student is charged the semester hour rate multiplied by the number of semester hours enrolled. A program fee is also charged for certain program deliveries.

Graduate Tuition Schedule per Semester

<b>Description</b>	<b>Charge</b>
Tuition – all programs	\$800 per credit hour
Executive Format Program Fee	\$500 per semester

### **Financial Aid Counseling and Financial Clearance Date**

The student is encouraged to apply for federal and state grant program funding to determine the student's eligibility. A student who intends to seek federal financial aid program assistance is required to contact the Office of Financial Aid at least 30 days prior to the start of a semester to complete the application process, submit all required documents and materials requested, and finalize a financial assistance plan by the end of the Add/Drop Period. A student whose financial assistance plan is not finalized by the end of the Add/Drop Period will not be allowed to attend class.

### **Tuition Payments**

Payments may be made in the Business Office by cash, check, or money order. Electronic payment options including credit card, debit card, and electronic check/ACH are available online only via the Finance page of MyHU. A preregistered student can view account information online. A convenience fee of 2.75% will be added for any credit/debit card transactions involving student tuition payments or other services. Online ACH/electronic check payments will not incur a convenience fee.

### **Tuition Payment Plans**

Many employers offer employees a tuition reimbursement benefit. Because reimbursement is usually dependent upon the employee's proof of grade completion, an Employee Deferred Payment (EDP) plan permits a student's allowable tuition payment to be deferred until the end of the semester. The service fee for the plan is \$50 per semester. The application form is available online at the Finance page of MyHU. An Executive Format student is not eligible for a deferred payment plan.

### **Laptop Computer**

A laptop computer with wireless capability is required for attendance in all programs of study and should be obtained prior to the first day of class. Minimum requirements are listed on the University's website at <http://www.HarrisburgU.edu/campuslife/technology/laptop.php>. The cost is approximately \$700 to \$1,200.

### **Textbooks**

Textbooks and other supplies (if specified for a course) must be obtained by the student prior to the first day of class. Textbooks may include both hard- and soft-bound books, journals, CDs, or software. The estimated cost for textbooks and other supplies per course is \$100.

### **Prior Learning Assessment Charge**

A student who submits an application for prior learning assessment is charged per semester hour amount of \$350 for the number of semester hours of the course equivalent sought. This charge is imposed at the time of application. No refund will be made if the application is unsuccessful.

### **Other Charges**

**Tuition Payment Late Charge** - A late payment charge of \$250 will be assessed if the student fails to make payment arrangements or pay tuition on or before the payment due date.

**Returned Check Charge** - A charge of \$20 will be assessed if a check processed for payment is returned by the issuing bank.

**Campus ID Card Replacement Charge** - Upon enrollment, a student receives, at no cost, a photo-imprinted Campus ID Card to be used as an identification badge, as a library card, and for building and elevator access. A student is required to wear the Campus ID Card badge when on campus. If a student desires a photo ID, submission of a 2" x 2" photo is required and a charge of \$25 is assessed to replace the card. If a Campus ID Card is lost or stolen, a charge of \$25 is assessed to replace the card.

**Pay to Print Charge** – On-campus printing is available to the student. A charge may be assessed depending upon the nature of the print job: paper size, ink color, and quantity.

**Commencement Fee** – A charge of \$60 will be assessed for the student participating in the Commencement Ceremony.

**Transcript Requests** – The official transcript request form is available on the Harrisburg University website or electronically submitted via MyHU. There will be a \$10.00 charge per transcript requested by standard domestic delivery and \$35.00 per transcript for standard international delivery.

### **Enrollment Status Determination**

A student's enrollment status is determined at the end of the Add/Drop Period. The student is charged the applicable tuition rate for the number of semester hours in which the student is enrolled on the census date.

### **Refund Policy for Traditional Semesters**

A student who withdraws from the University prior to the end of the third week of the semester may be due a credit for the unearned portion of the tuition charge.

The rate of tuition refund for withdrawal from the University is as follows:

- prior to the first day of the semester 100%
- during the first week 75%
- during the second week 50%
- during the third week 25%
- after the third week 0%

### **Tuition Refund Policy**

Tuition for the semester is considered fully-earned at the end of the third week of classes. For refund purposes, the semester begins on the first day of class for that semester, regardless of the student's first class day of attendance during week one. The period of time used to calculate the tuition refund is the first day of class of the semester to the University's determination date of official or unofficial withdrawal.

There will be no refund or additional charges for a student who adds and drops an equal number of semester hours within the same semester prior to the end of the Add/Drop Period.

If a student reduces the number of courses and/or semester hours during the published Add/Drop Period, a tuition adjustment for that course or semester hour reduction will be made. There is no tuition refund when a student withdraws from one or more courses after the Add/Drop Period but remains enrolled in one or more other scheduled courses.

### **Official Withdrawal**

A student is encouraged to contact the Financial Aid and Business Offices in advance of any decision to withdraw from the University to obtain an explanation of the tuition and financial aid adjustments that will occur, if any, as the result of withdrawal from the program of study.

A student who intends to officially withdraw from the University is encouraged to contact Records and Registration by telephone (717.901.5136), e-mail (Registrar@HarrisburgU.edu), or in person. It is recommended that a Withdrawal Form be completed or one will be completed for you.

The determination date for withdrawal purposes shall either be the actual date of formal notification by the student or some future date specified by the student as the intended last date of attendance. The determination date is used to calculate the tuition refund, if any, and the student financial assistance program refund, if applicable.

### **Unofficial Withdrawal**

A student who discontinues attendance in all courses during a semester and who does not officially withdraw from the University is considered to have unofficially withdrawn. The determination date for unofficial withdrawals shall be the end of the semester, unless other evidence is provided to Records and Registration. There are serious Title IV, H&A federal student financial aid program implications for a student who unofficially withdraws.

## STUDENT FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS & POLICIES

The Office of Financial Aid assists qualified applicants who, without assistance, would otherwise be unable to pursue an advanced degree. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and resulting need analysis is used to apply for federal, state and institutional award consideration for payment of tuition, housing, or other charges.

A student must apply each year to renew financial aid eligibility. The amount of financial aid awarded will reflect changes in tuition, housing, or other costs and updates to the financial profile of the student and family.

Financial aid awards are based on the enrollment status of the student during a semester as of the conclusion of the Add/Drop Period, defined as:

Full-time Status: 6 or more semester hours

Part-time Status: 3 semester hours

A non-degree student is not eligible for financial aid.

### Aid Sources

Federal Direct Loan - A Federal Direct Loan (FDL) is available to eligible borrowers. Interest accrues on the unsubsidized loan while the student is enrolled. The borrower may opt to pay the interest as it accrues, or allow it to accrue and capitalize. The unsubsidized loan is a non-need based loan program. The maximum Federal Direct Loan per academic year is \$10,250 per semester for an eligible degree-seeking graduate student. An international student attending on an F-1 visa or an international student outside the U.S. enrolled in a distance education program are not eligible to borrow a Federal Direct Loan.

Federal PLUS Loan for Graduate Students – A degree-seeking graduate student may be eligible to borrow under the PLUS Loan Program, up to the cost of attendance minus other estimated financial assistance in the Federal Direct loan (FDL) program. The terms and conditions applicable to Parent PLUS loans also apply to Graduate/Professional PLUS loans. The requirements include a determination that the applicant does not have an adverse credit history. Repayment begins 60 days after the date of graduation, withdrawal, or enrollment status below half-time. The student must have applied for the annual loan maximum eligibility under the Federal Unsubsidized Direct Loan Program before applying for a Graduate/Professional PLUS loan. An international student attending on an F-1 visa or an international student outside the U.S. enrolled in a distance education program is not eligible to borrow a Federal PLUS Loan for Graduate Students.

Graduate Opportunity Grant – A full-time, degree-seeking student may be eligible for up to \$2,000 of non-need based aid assistance. The student must be full time (6 credits per semester) and reside in the United States. A student enrolled in the M.S. in ISEM or the M.S. in Analytics degree program is not eligible for this grant. An International Student attending on an F-1 visa is not eligible for this grant.



## **STUDENT SERVICES**

### **New Student Orientation**

Orientation sessions precede each semester in order for the student to become familiar with the University, technology services, campus policies and procedures, and to obtain an individual course schedule. A new student entering the University is encouraged to view the orientation presentations available online on My HU.

### **Student Housing**

The Office of Student Services can assist the student to find housing with the University's local Harrisburg partners.

### **Student Parking**

Park UP Harrisburg ([parkHarrisburg.com](http://parkHarrisburg.com)) operates the parking facilities in Harrisburg. Prices vary by facility. Check the website for specifics.

### **Health and Personal Counseling Services**

Medical and counseling services are not provided on campus. A full-service hospital is located three city blocks from the University. Referral contact information for a student requiring health care assistance or personal counseling services can be obtained from the Office of Student Services.

### **Disability Support Services**

Harrisburg University of Science and Technology welcomes diversity among its students and, in accordance to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, seeks to provide reasonable and effective support services.

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability and require the University to make reasonable accommodations for those otherwise qualified individuals with a disability who request accommodations. A reasonable academic accommodation is a modification or adjustment that allows an individual to gain equal access and have equal opportunity to participate in the University's courses, services, activities, and use of the facilities. The University is not obligated to provide an accommodation that requires a substantial change in the curriculum or alteration of any essential elements or functions of a program.

The applicant must provide recent documentation (within 3 years) of any disability that may affect learning to ensure that appropriate accommodations are considered. The documentation must be certified by a licensed professional in that field and include a specific diagnosis indicating the severity, a description of how the disability substantially impacts the student, and any suggested accommodation. A student may apply for an accommodation prior to admission with the requested documentation.

### **Textbook Services**

Textbooks are made available for student purchase through the services of MBS Direct, which has an online store at <http://bookstore.mbsdirect.net/harrisburgu.htm> for new and used textbook purchase or rentals. Textbook information is listed on the student's course schedule at the time of registration and a complete textbook listing is available on MyHU. Textbooks and other supplies (if specified for a course) must be obtained by the student prior to the first day of class.

Additional online textbook purchase and rental options are available through companies such as Amazon.com and Chegg.com. Book retailers carry a small selection of texts but also have the ability to process online textbooks orders.

### **University Library**

The mission of the library is to enhance learning in all academic programs and to support student development in all University competencies, especially information literacy skills to find, evaluate, and use information. Library services include:

- collaboration between the University Librarian and faculty to integrate information literacy skill development and use of library resources into the curriculum;
- access to a wide range of information sources selected to enhance course-based and independent learning, such as:
  - o online databases of full-text articles from newspapers, magazines, and scholarly journals;
  - o streaming multimedia such as documentaries and feature films;
  - o electronic books; and
  - o a self-service library located in the Learning Commons offering printed books, games, newspapers, and periodicals;
- research guidance for a student by phone, chat, e-mail, or in person;
- partnership with other regional libraries to provide access to their information sources, free of charge to our students and faculty; and
- group study rooms; these rooms may be reserved in advance through the University Librarian.

For more information including replacement charges, reporting of lost or damaged items, and replacement charges see the Student Handbook.

For more information, visit the library's website at <http://library.harrisburgu.edu>. Electronic content is available on the website 24 hours a day from on- or off-campus. Off-campus use requires authentication with a valid University network ID and password.

### **Technology Services**

Information Technology Services is responsible for connecting the student, faculty, and staff to technology resources in support of the University's mission. Technology services include:

- a robust and reliable infrastructure to enable excellence in learning;
- a required laptop program and an entirely wireless campus to facilitate mobile computing and access to content;
- high-end classroom technologies to enhance interactivity and the capture and distribution of classroom content;
- access to enterprise software applications such as our course management system;
- MyHU; Office365 email and productivity suite; and many other course related software programs;
- the Harrisburg University Campus Card services which enables building access, pay-for-print, and book check-out from the library while serving primarily as the official university identification; and,
- training, orientation, and support for all university technology services.

For more information, contact Helpdesk at [Helpdesk@HarrisburgU.edu](mailto:Helpdesk@HarrisburgU.edu) or 717.901.5177 with questions.

### **Academic Advising**

Academic advising can be a critical component of a student's education. Every graduate student is assigned to an academic advisor who is a faculty member. The advisor helps the student explore academic goals and assists in course selection for the academic program. The Office of Student Services supports the faculty role in advising. In addition, it assists the student to access resources and developing strategies when non-academic factors affect a student's ability to succeed.

### **Career Services**

The student obtains career counseling from the academic advisor and the Office of Experiential Programs and Professional Development. The following services can be obtained by enrolled students and alumni: one-on-one career counseling, assessment inventories, program and career exploration, professional development resources, mock interviews, and resume review. For more information, contact [professionaldevelopment@HarrisburgU.edu](mailto:professionaldevelopment@HarrisburgU.edu).

## **ACADEMIC POLICIES**

### **Calendar, Credit System and Final Examinations**

The University operates on a semester calendar and uses the semester hour credit system. There are six semesters per twelve-month period: Fall, Late Fall, Spring, Late Spring, Summer, and Late Summer. Each semester consists of fourteen weeks of classes with a final examination.

### **Catalog in Effect**

A new student entering the University during the 2017-2018 academic year will be subject to the academic program requirements contained in this Catalog edition unless the student elects to complete a revised set of program requirements published in a future edition of the Catalog.

A student who elects to complete a revised set of program requirements must notify Records and Registration of this intent by completing a Declaration of Programs/Catalog Option Form.

A student who leaves the University and returns from an absence of one year or more will be subject to the Catalog edition in effect during the year of return.

### **Enrollment Status**

Student enrollment status is defined for certification purposes as either full-time or part-time. Full-time graduate student enrollment is 6 or more semester hours in a semester. Part-time status is assigned to any graduate student enrolled for fewer than 6 semester hours in a semester.

A non-degree graduate student must make a decision to remain a non-degree student or become a degree-seeking student after the student has completed 12 semester hours of coursework.

A degree-seeking graduate student must complete the degree within 6 years from the date first attended at the University.

A student who interrupts study with an interval of less than one year from the last day of the most recent semester or term attended may return to the University without having to apply for readmission.

### **Registration Process**

All students complete registration on-line at MyHU/Academics. There are written and video registration instructions available on MyHU. The start and end dates appear on the Academic Calendar, which is posted on MyHU/Academics and [www.HarrisburgU.edu](http://www.HarrisburgU.edu).

### **Add/Drop Period and Course Withdrawals**

The Add/Drop Period begins on the first day of the semester or subterm and ends after 6 days of classes have occurred (this includes Saturday). A student may make schedule adjustments during the Add/Drop period on MyHU, or in Records and Registration. No course may be added after the end of this period. If a student withdraws from any course after the conclusion of this period and up until the last day to withdraw from a course with a "W", a final grade of "W" will appear on the permanent record. After that period, a "WF" will appear on the permanent record. The withdrawal deadlines appear on the Academic Calendar for both semesters and subterms.

### **Enrollment Status Determination**

A student's enrollment status is determined at the end of the Add/Drop Period. The student is charged the applicable tuition rate for the number of semester hours in which the student is enrolled on the census date.

### **Audit Policy**

The student may choose to participate in a course on an audit basis. The student who elects this option is expected to attend and participate in class regularly and complete all course requirements. The course that is being audited carries no academic credit but is recorded on the student's academic record. The student who wants to audit a course must notify the Office of Records and Registration in writing no later than the end of the Add/Drop Period. The per semester hour tuition rate applies to audited courses.

### **Class Attendance**

Attendance is a critical part of a student's education. The student is expected to attend all classes when schedule and participate fully in the activities of each course. The instructor is responsible to set forth the attendance requirements in the syllabus.

If, in the judgment of the instructor, a student is absent from class or fails to complete the requested participatory assignments:

1. the instructor will notify the student of this determination;
2. the student will have one week to contact the instructor to address the situation;
3. if the student fails to do so, the instructor will notify Records and Registration to recommend withdrawal of the student from the course; and
4. if after persistent non-attendance or non-response to attempted contacts by the instructor, Records and Registration will notify the student of this action and may record a grade of WA or WF, respectively.

### **Advanced Standing**

A student may earn advanced standing at the University in one of three ways: transfer of credit from another institution, the awarding of credit for military training, or prior learning assessment. The parameters for doing so are:

- limit to twelve (12) credits of combination between six (6) graduate transfer credits and prior learning assessment (in any combination)
- limit to six (6) credits of transfer credits and/or prior learning assessment for the core
- limit to six (6) credits of transfer credits and/or prior learning assessment for electives

**Armed Services Training Programs** – Under the following conditions, a student may receive academic credit for training programs completed while serving in the U. S. Armed Services: 1) the student must present a copy of the discharge notice (completed DD-214 form); 2) the veteran's military occupational specialty (MOS) designation must appear on the discharge; and, 3) the student's MOS is described in the American Council on Education's Educational Experiences in The Armed Services volumes 1–3. Credit is awarded based upon the ACE recommendation and the closeness of the match between the training program and a University course.

**Transfer Credit** – Unofficial or student copies of transcripts may be used to initiate the transfer credit evaluation process. However, official final transcripts from the institution of origin are required before the transfer evaluation process can be finalized by Records and Registration and academic credit is posted to the student’s permanent record. The following limitations apply:

- transfer credit is limited to six (6) semester hours from another graduate program;
- the credit must have been earned with final grades of “B” or higher;
- the credit must be reviewed by the student’s program advisor and Records and Registration;
- the credit must have been earned no more than five (5) years prior to the student’s initial enrollment date in Harrisburg University’s program; and,
- a course completed for Continuing Education Units (CEUs) is not eligible for transfer credit consideration.

**Domestic** – Academic credit earned for graduate work completed for a minimum grade of “B” or higher will be awarded if: 1) the course is a reasonable substitute of a University course or 2) the course(s) is considered graduate level work worthy of elective credit in the student’s program of study.

**International** – A World Education Services (WES) transcript or American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO) international transcript evaluation is required. If the original evaluation received by Records and Registration from one of these evaluators deems the student’s prior work to be at the graduate-level and the quality of the completed work is assessed to be at the “B” or higher level, credit is awarded for the courses that apply to the student’s intended program of study at Harrisburg University as indicated above for domestic transfer credit. If the prior work was earned under an educational system that did not assign credit values, a semester hour value is assigned for each course being accepted. If the student completed courses which are evaluated to be at the graduate-level, but Harrisburg University has no comparable course(s), the student is granted elective credit unless all required elective credit hours have been satisfied.

**Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC)** – a massive open online course is an online course targeting large-scale interactive participation and is delivered via open access on the web. A MOOC that is successfully completed will be reviewed and considered for transfer credit.

**Coursework at Other Institutions** – A student may study at other institutions and transfer the credit to the student’s record at Harrisburg University.

Process for Approval - The student must complete an Off-campus Coursework Form at Records and Registration notifying the University of the student’s intention to enroll on a visiting basis at another higher educational institution. The request will be reviewed by Records and Registration who may consult with an appropriate member of the University’s faculty. Prior to enrollment, a written response will be sent to the student stating whether or not the proposed course is acceptable.

Process for Awarding of Credit – The student must arrange for an official transcript from the other college or university to be sent to Harrisburg University’s Office of Records and Registration. If the approved course was completed with a final grade of “B” or higher, the semester hours earned from the course will be posted to the student’s record at the University.

**Prior Learning Assessment** – The University may award graduate academic credit for prior knowledge, skills and abilities acquired through non-accredited and work-related learning experience equivalent to:

- the outcomes of a specific course; and,
- the outcomes of graduate-level work not currently offered at the University.

The experience and evidence provided should have a direct relation to the material taught in a course in the University's curriculum and should extend over a sufficient period to provide substantive knowledge in the relevant area. A Master of Science degree-seeking student who is in good academic standing, has completed a minimum of 6 semester hours in a program of study at Harrisburg University, and demonstrates the qualities to receive such credit may petition the Provost through the academic advisor for consideration of prior learning assessment.

The petition must include the following:

- a detailed description of the relevant experience;
- appropriate supporting evidence;
- the equivalent University program, course number, and title; and,
- the number of semester hours sought.

A student may not receive more than 6 semester hours related to the program based upon prior learning assessment.

The prior learning assessment process is a way to demonstrate to a mentor, who is an expert in the field, graduate-level knowledge in a particular course area. These skills and knowledge may be from applicable work experience, volunteer activities, training programs, hobbies, religious activities, homemaking skills, prior independent reading or special accomplishments. This process is not independent study.

Working with a mentor, the student is guided to develop an online, electronic portfolio to demonstrate prior graduate-level learning. The student can choose between standard prior learning assessment and individualized prior learning assessment. Standard prior learning assessment is an option when existing course descriptions match the learning that the student wants to demonstrate. Individualized prior learning assessment occurs when the student proposes a course description that does not currently exist in the course catalog for Harrisburg University.

Prior learning assessment cannot be awarded for physical education courses, field experiences, student teaching, cooperative education, practicum courses, internships, projects, seminars, independent study or laboratories.

Approval of prior learning credit must be made in writing from the academic advisor, the appropriate faculty member, and the Provost. A per semester hour charge is incurred by the student for the number of semester hours sought under prior learning assessment.

For more information about prior learning assessment, contact Records and Registration.

**Credit by Challenge Examination** – The University awards academic credit to a student who has performed satisfactorily on a challenge examination created by a member of Harrisburg University's faculty. A student may do so by obtaining a Challenge Examination Form from Records and Registration, obtain the signature of the sponsoring instructor from the appropriate discipline, pay a

fee equal to one-third the normal tuition charge for the course, and return the form to Records and Registration which will schedule a time and location for the examination. A student is limited to earning no more than 6 semester hours of credit via examination.

### **Curricular Practical Training**

Curricular practical training (CPT) is an academically-related work and learning experience for international students studying in the United States on an F-1 visa. CPT is defined as alternative work-study, internship, cooperative education employment, or other type of practicum. CPT is a required component of each of the Master of Science degree programs offered at Harrisburg University.

An F-1 student must be authorized by a Designated School Official (DSO) prior to employment. A minimum of two (2) semesters of participation in an internship/work experience is required for each student while enrolled and attending the program. Immediate participation is required for the eligible student. A student with a pending I-539 Change of Status request or an individual that recently obtained an approved F-1 Change of Status following a B-1/B-2 or F-2 I-539 COS request may not participate in CPT immediately. The internship/work experience is an integral (essential) part of the established curriculum within each program of study, and immediate participation in CPT may commence at the beginning of the initial semester of enrollment if the required request for DSO approval and the employer offer letter are submitted timely. A student who has recently arrived in the U.S. within forty-five (45) days prior to a program start date will not be authorized to participate in CPT until at least one (1) semester of coursework has been successfully completed with a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 3.00 or better. An individual that recently obtained a F-1 Change of Status from B-1/B-2 or F-2 visa may not participate in CPT until at least one (1) semester of coursework has been successfully completed.

A first-time student at the Master degree level may only participate in 12 months (<364 days) of Full-Time CPT during the program of study to remain eligible for OPT. Upon completion, the student is then eligible to apply for Optional Practical Training (OPT) for an initial period of 12 months and a 24-month extension of OPT for the STEM-approved programs offered by the University. A student who has previously completed Optional Practical Training (OPT) at the Master degree level has exhausted OPT eligibility and is permitted to complete up to 24 months of CPT for the entire program of study.

A student's CPT internship experience or employment must relate to the program of study and may be part-time (20 or less hours per week) or full-time (21 to 40 hours per week).

Referred to as experiential learning, work experience permits the student to take lecture and textbook learning and apply that knowledge in a real-world setting to the workplace to research and prepare for the capstone Thesis or Applied Project.

CPT is available to the eligible student during the graduate degree program. Optional Practical Training (OPT) is a continuation of practical training employment for the eligible student that occurs following completion of the degree requirements of the program. OPT is optional and is available only once to an eligible student at each educational degree level. A student who has completed OPT at the Master's level at a prior institution has exhausted OPT eligibility and may not re-apply for OPT through Harrisburg University.

Harrisburg University defines full-time enrollment status as six (6) semester hours of academic credit per semester in the Master of Science degree programs. An F-1 student must remain full-time throughout the entire program of study. A student enrolled on an F-1 visa may not register for more



than one (1) online [distance learning] course each semester. A student who holds an H-1B or H-4 visa is permitted to take more than one course online each semester. Courses offered in the graduate program are not self-paced. Readings, writing assignments, and testing are often conducted weekly throughout the semester. All courses require 6 to 8 hours per week of study and applied project work outside of the classroom.

A completed CPT Verification Form signed by the employer and an employment Offer Letter are required to be submitted timely to the Office of International Students for participation in CPT. Following approval by a DSO, an updated active SEVIS Form I-20 is processed that should be presented to the site supervisor with the Cooperative Agreement. The period of eligible CPT employment is extended to the semester break periods, in accordance with University policy, if the student is pre-registered for any subsequent semester of enrollment.

## **Overview of Harrisburg University Graduate Studies**

Graduate Education focuses on individualized career advancement in areas of study within the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines. The University's approach is based on an experiential model that allows the student to gain and apply knowledge and skills at an advanced level and to focus on an area of need or interest particular to the student. Faculty combine corporate and academic perspectives in the design, development, and delivery of graduate programs and courses. Programs are designed for working professionals focused on career advancement who can apply what is learned back to their workplace. Therefore, each course has multiple applied projects, work-related assignment, and each degree has a practicum requirement of all students.

Master of Science degree programs are offered in the following areas:

- Analytics (ANMS)
- Biotechnology (BTMS)
- Computer Information Sciences (CSMS)
- Healthcare Informatics (HCMS)
- Information Systems Engineering and Management (ISEM)
- Learning Technologies (LTMS)
- Project Management (PMGT)

Harrisburg University's graduate programs are based on the following model:

- All M.S. degrees are granted for 36 semester hours (12 courses) of graduate work.
- Each MS program has 5 or 6 required courses that uniquely define the specific graduate program.
- There are a variety of graduate level courses that the students in any M.S. program may take as electives. This pool of electives may consist of a wide range of courses from different graduate-level programs.
- There is a 6-credit capstone/applied project or thesis requirement for all graduate degrees at the University. This practicum synthesizes the key concepts of the program and extends/applies these concepts to real life practical problems or research investigations. The capstone consists of two courses: a research methodology and writing course, and a Graduate Thesis or Applied Project. The courses leading up to this practicum experience combined with the practical work experience for students are required to complete the applied project. Students authorized by the University for CPT must take the applied project option within their specific degree program.

## **Graduation Requirements**

A student must satisfy all of the following requirements to receive a Master of Science degree. Verification that the student has met the following requirements is made by Records and Registration.

1. At least 36 semester hours must be successfully completed.
2. A minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.00 is required for graduation from a Master of Science program and graduate certificate programs.
3. In order for any completed course to satisfy the 36 semester hours required, the course must be completed with a grade of "C" (2.00) or higher.

4. A student must earn a minimum of 30 semester hours in residence toward a Master of Science degree from the University. The number of semester hours that may be transferred from another institution's graduate program is 6.
5. A degree student will demonstrate proficiencies in the field of study and the University's competencies through use of an ePortfolio or a similar technology or evidence-based approach.
6. A student must complete all requirements for the Master of Science degree within 6 years from the first day of attendance as a degree-seeking graduate student.

A candidate must apply for graduation two semesters before the anticipated graduation date. Each graduating student is expected to attend Commencement.

A candidate for graduation must complete all requirements for the degree to be eligible to participate in Commencement. There is a \$60 Commencement Fee for the graduate student.

### **Requirements for Earning a Second Master's Degree**

A person who has earned a master's degree from HU or another accredited college or university may earn a second master's degree by meeting the following requirements:

1. A student may not pursue a second degree under the same program of study (e.g., if a student already has earned a M.S. in Learning Technologies he or she cannot pursue a second M.S. in Learning Technologies).
2. The student must satisfactorily meet all graduation requirements for the second degree program unless there is an exception listed below.
3. A minimum of 30 additional graduate course semester hours and one additional experiential learning course (3 semester hours) within the second degree's major must be successfully completed at HU.
4. No course already taken in the first degree program may be repeated in the second degree.
5. Only nine credits may be transferred from the first master's degree to fulfill graduation requirements for the second master's degree. These will not count toward the 30 semester hour residency minimum.

### **Grades and Grading**

Grades are awarded to each student for academic credit completed at the University. A grade is assigned by the instructor responsible for the course in which the student is enrolled, using the following grading scale to indicate the quality of the student's academic work.

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Numerical Value</b>
A	Superior achievement	4.00
A-		3.67
B+		3.33
B	Average achievement	3.00

B-		2.67
C+		2.33
C	Minimum achievement	2.00
F	Fail	0.00
AU	Audit	Not applicable
CR	Credit	Not applicable
I	Incomplete	Not applicable
IP	In progress	Not applicable
LB	Laboratory	Not applicable
NP	No Pass	Not applicable
NR	Not reported	Not applicable
P	Pass	Not applicable
PLA	Prior Learning Assessment	Not applicable
TR	Transfer credit	Not applicable
TA	Transferred credit earned with superior achievement	Not applicable
TA-		Not applicable
TB+		Not applicable
TB	Transferred credit earned with above average achievement	Not applicable
W	Withdrawal	Not applicable
WA	Administrative withdrawal	Not applicable
WF	Withdrawal after the period to withdraw with a "W" grade	0.00

Grades of "AU", "CR", "I", "IP", "NP", "NR", "P", "PLA", "TR", "TA", "TA-", "TB+", "TB", "W", or "WA" are not included in the calculation of a student's grade point average (GPA). They are used by the University in circumstances when grades of "A" through "F" are not appropriate. A "WF" grade is calculated into the student's GPA.

**Audit (AU)** – The audit grade is assigned by the instructor when the student has properly registered to audit the course and has met all requirements of the University's course audit policy.

**Credit (CR)** – A grade of "CR" is used to indicate on the student's permanent record that credit has been awarded by the University for military training or successful completion of an examination. While courses with a "CR" grade are counted toward the student's degree requirements, there are no quality points associated with this grade so there is no impact upon the calculation of the student's grade point average.

**Incomplete (I)** – Inability to complete coursework due to documented circumstances beyond the student's control (such as severe illness) may, at the discretion of the instructor, result in a grade of incomplete (I). However, all work must be completed by the end of the Add/Drop Period of the subsequent semester. If all work is not completed by that time, the "I" grade will convert automatically to a grade of "F." It is the responsibility of the student to contact the instructor to make the necessary arrangements for makeup work.

**In Progress (IP)** – This is a deferred grade assigned by the instructor to be used for research projects, internships, directed study, etc., when it is understood that the course will extend over more than one semester. An “IP” grade should be accompanied by a written plan and a schedule for completing the course within a specified time period to be no longer than 12 months. If all work is not completed by that time, the “IP” grade will convert automatically to a grade of “F.”

**Laboratory (LB)** – This grade is assigned by Records and Registration at the conclusion of a semester to a student who is enrolled in a non-credit developmental recitation section of a course. This grade and such a course does not appear on the student’s transcript.

**Withdrawal (W)** – This grade is recorded by Records and Registration when the student has withdrawn from the course according to the policy set forth by the University for withdrawing from a course.

**Administrative Withdrawal (WA)** – The “WA” grade can be assigned only by the Provost or other designated official. It is used when it is necessary for a student to leave the University under extenuating circumstances and when the normal withdrawal process is not available to the student. A request for administrative withdrawal with accompanying documentation will be submitted to Records and Registration. The “WA” grade can be submitted at any time during the semester.

**Withdrawal Fail (WF)** – This grade is recorded by Records and Registration when the student has withdrawn from the course after the period a student can withdraw with a “W” grade.

**Transfer (TR)** – A grade of “TR” is used to indicate on the student’s transcript a block of credit that has been earned at another institution and that will count toward the degree at Harrisburg University.

**Transfer with Grade Notation (Txx)** – A grade of “Txx” is used to indicate on the student’s transcript each course that has been successfully completed at another institution and that has been accepted toward the degree at Harrisburg University.

**Not Reported (NR)** – The temporary grade of “NR” is recorded by Records and Registration when the instructor does not report a grade for the student for the course. Records and Registration will advise the Provost when an “NR” grade has been recorded for the student, and will work with the student and the instructor to determine why a grade was not reported.

**Pass (P)** - The “P” grade is assigned by instructors for a student who successfully completes a course that is designated as a course that will be graded on a Pass/No Pass basis.

**No Pass (NP)** – The “NP” grade is assigned by the instructors for a student who does not successfully complete a course that is designated as a course that will be graded on a Pass/No Pass basis.

**Prior Learning Assessment (PLA)** – The “PLA” grade is used to indicate credit that has been awarded by the University for prior learning. Although a course completed with a “PLA” grade is applied toward the student’s degree requirements, no quality points are associated with this grade so there is no impact upon the calculation of the student’s grade point average.

## Grade Point Averages

A grade point average (GPA) is a statistical calculation of a student's performance in a semester. The semester grade point average summarizes the student's performance during that academic term and the cumulative grade point average (CGPA) summarizes the student's performance during semesters completed at the University.

### Calculation of the Semester Grade Point Average

Course	Sem. Hrs. Attempted	Grade	Numerical Value	Quality Points
Course A	6	C	2.00	12.00
Course B	4	B	3.00	12.00
Course C	3	B+	3.33	9.99
Course D	1	A-	3.67	<u>3.67</u>
Total	<b>14</b>			<b>37.66</b>

$$\text{Total Quality Points} = 37.66/14 = \mathbf{2.69}$$

1. Compute the quality points earned for each course by multiplying the semester hours attempted for the course by the numerical value of the grade earned in the course.  
*Example: A student registered for a course worth 3 semester hours who earns a final grade of "A-" in that course will earn 11.01 quality points for that course (3 semester hours  $\times$  3.67).*
2. Add the quality points earned for each course in which the student is registered in the semester.
3. Add the number of semester hours attempted for all courses in which a grade of "A" through "F" was earned.
4. Divide the total number of quality points earned by the total number of semester hours attempted. The result is the grade point average for the semester.

The cumulative grade point average (CGPA) is determined in a similar way using the cumulative attempted semester hours and cumulative quality points earned.

## Repeated Courses

A graduate student may repeat a course in which a final grade of "B-" or below has been received. The original grade will remain on the student's academic record. After the course has been repeated, the most recent grade will be used in the calculation of the student's cumulative grade point average. A course may only be repeated once.

## Academic Standing

A graduate student with a cumulative grade point average of 3.00 or higher is in satisfactory academic standing. A student whose cumulative grade point average falls below 3.00 is not in satisfactory academic standing and is placed on academic probation. If the cumulative grade point average is not raised to 3.00 or higher after attempting an additional 6 semester hours, the student is subject to academic dismissal.

## Final Grade Appeal

A final grade is assigned by the instructor upon completion of coursework to earn credit during a semester or other term. A student who disagrees with the final grade assigned by the instructor may seek remedy using an evidence-based argument within five (5) days after grades are posted on one of the following grounds:

1. **Discrimination:** defined as unfair treatment or assignment of grade on the basis of race, religion, national origin, sex, age, ancestry, handicapped status, gender identity, sexual orientation, or political affiliation.
2. **Capricious evaluation:** defined as significant or unjustified departure from grading procedures outlined in the course syllabus or by the University or arbitrary assignment of grades. Capricious evaluation cannot be claimed if a student merely disagrees with the subjective evaluation of the instructor.
3. **Errors:** including clerical errors or errors in grade calculations that can be demonstrated in an objective manner.

A student who chooses to appeal a grade must obtain a Final Grade Appeal Form from Records and Registration. The form must be completed with an explanation forming the basis of the appeal. The student's academic record will be placed in a "hold" status during the grade appeal process. A final grade appeal must be initiated on or before the fifth (5th) business day after grades are posted or other term as specified in the Academic Calendar.

The instructor must indicate and sign the form to either change the final grade, reaffirm the original grade assigned, or continue with the appeal process.

- If the original final grade is improved and satisfies the student's appeal, the instructor shall submit a Grade Change Form to Records and Registration, the grade will be posted, and the academic record hold status will be released.
- If the original final grade is reaffirmed and both the instructor and student agree with the grade determination, the instructor shall submit a Grade Affirmation Form signed by the student and instructor confirming the original grade to Records and Registration, the grade will be posted, and the academic record hold status will be released.
- When a student is unable to meet with the instructor because of personal differences or if the instructor denies the initial appeal (above), the student may choose to pursue a final grade appeal by submitting the completed and endorsed form, with any and all tests, grades, essays or project summaries and a complete explanation as evidence in support of the student's position, to the Office of Student Services requesting a review and determination, with a copy to the Office of the Provost. The student may seek the assistance of the Office of Student Services to review a possible appeal and to prepare the appeal. Additional information may be requested from the student and/or the instructor during this time.
- A committee consisting of a representative of the Office of Student Services, Office of Compliance, one faculty member, and a student representative will review the appeal. The student and instructor will be offered the opportunity to participate in the appeal hearing. The committee will send a final determination to Records and Registration within five (5) days of receipt. The committee's decision is final and is not subject to further appeal. Records and Registration will then post the grade and release the academic record hold status.

### **Withholding of Records**

Student records may be withheld by Records and Registration when directed by the appropriate University officials. The release of academic transcripts or a diploma may be held for a period of time. More specifically, an official academic transcript or diploma will not be released if tuition or other charges remain unpaid to the University. The Office of Student Services determines when a student's record should be placed on hold for disciplinary reasons and the Business Office determines when a student's record should be placed on hold for financial reasons.

### **Official Withdrawal Procedure**

A student is encouraged to contact the Financial Aid and Business Offices in advance of any decision to withdraw from the University to obtain an explanation of the tuition and financial aid adjustments that will occur, if any, as the result of withdrawal from the program of study.

A student who intends to officially withdraw is encouraged to contact Records and Registration by telephone (717.901.5136), e-mail (Registrar@HarrisburgU.edu), or in person. It is recommended that a Withdrawal Form be completed or one will be completed for you.

The determination date for withdrawal purposes shall either be the actual date of formal notification by the student or some future date specified by the student as the intended last date of attendance. The determination date is used to calculate the tuition refund, if any, and the student financial assistance program refund, if applicable.

### **Standards of Academic Integrity**

Harrisburg University expects a student to act honorably and in accordance with the standards of academic integrity. Academic integrity is grounded in mutual trust and respect. Therefore, it is expected that a student will respect the rights of others and will only submit work that is their own, refraining from all forms of lying, cheating and plagiarism. Lack of academic integrity includes:

- **Plagiarism:** Plagiarism is using the ideas of others and/or words without clearly acknowledging the source of that information. It is assumed that all work submitted for a grade will be the product of the student's own understanding, and thus expressed in the student's own words, calculations, computer language, etc. This means all writing assignments, in class or outside of class, are assumed to be composed entirely of words written (not simply found) by the student, except where words written by someone else are specifically marked as such with proper citation.
- **Cheating:** All examinations and other assignments are to be completed by the student alone, without inappropriate assistance of any kind. That means no help is to be given to or received from other persons during tests; no books, notes, cellphones, iPods, calculators, or other materials or devices of any kind are to be consulted, unless the professor instructs otherwise.
- **Fabrication, alteration of documents, lying, etc.:** It is wrong to lie to an instructor in order to get an excused absence, an extension on a due date, a makeup examination, an Incomplete, admission to a class or program, etc. It is wrong to forge an instructor's signature on any document, or anywhere else for academic advantage. It is wrong to falsify transcripts and diplomas. It is wrong to falsify data, for example, in an assigned lab project, or fabricate quotations or sources for a paper.
- **Assisting others in academic misconduct:** Helping someone else cheat is a violation of the academic integrity standards. In other words, providing another student with a paper or homework, or any other form of help, where the student knows, or reasonably should know, that the other student will use it to cheat is considered a violation.

A violation of the Standards of Academic Integrity could result in academic consequences. Please see the Student Handbook for details of procedures in the event of a violation of the Standards of Academic Integrity.



**Disciplinary Dismissal**

The University reserves the right to exclude at any time a student whose academic record is unsatisfactory or whose behavior or conduct is found to be detrimental to the orderly functioning of the University. When misconduct may constitute a threat to person or property within the University community or under other circumstances, it may result in disciplinary review action. The University assumes the responsibility to regulate the private conduct of the student when such conduct could constitute a hazard to or an infringement on the rights of others, a violation of the law, or a disruption of the legitimate academic and administrative processes of the University.

## CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

### Learning at Harrisburg University

The goal of learning at Harrisburg University is to obtain the relevant knowledge, competence, and experiences to best be prepared for an enriching career. Learning is, therefore, a multi-faceted activity that occurs throughout and across the college experience; it integrates both academic learning (acquiring and applying new knowledge) and student development (learning about one's self). Competency-based learning outcomes with programs that are intentionally designed to be engaging, integrative, and experiential are emphasized. There are four inter-dependent program characteristics that help define the Harrisburg University experience:

- **Highly Available:** The University provides learning experiences to meet the student's needs. This is demonstrated, for example, through the use of technology inside and outside of the classroom, and the applied learning opportunities available.
- **Highly Collaborative:** The student develops knowledge and skills through shared experience, as opposed to learning in isolation or in competition with each other. The faculty is responsible for creating learning environments based upon the premise that knowledge can be gained from everyone. The student has the advantage of learning from the minds and experiences of classmates, business mentors, or employers.
- **Highly Experiential:** The University deliberately ensures that learning is highly-linked to both practical and professional experience. This represents a shift from one-way (faculty to student), text-heavy content delivery to a more robust learning model that deliberately values experience, both inside and outside the classroom.
- **Highly Applied:** The learning conversation focuses on the practical application of knowledge. The intention is to shift the question from "How do I remember this information?" to "How can I act on this information in order to create knowledge that is both useful and actionable?" In this way, learning becomes an exercise in both preparation for career and personal advancement.

### Learning Assessment at Harrisburg University

Harrisburg University's model for the assessment of student learning is structured to support learning goals. The goals of the programs and courses are clearly defined and are relevant to the mission of the University. Course syllabi establish specific learning objectives, articulate the instructor's expectation of the student, and outline the standards against which the student's learning will be measured. Learning assessment of coursework and experiential learning is creative, in that it goes beyond instructor-driven evaluation through examinations and papers in most cases, and is done both inside and outside the classroom by faculty, business and academic professionals. Further, student learning around each of the University competencies is a focus of assessment activities. The University is committed to improve its program offerings by comparing student assessment outcomes to the program and course goals.

### Competencies

**Competency-Driven and Across-the-Curricula:** A hallmark of the Harrisburg University experience is competency-driven education. The student will be expected to demonstrate mastery of eight university-wide competencies:

**Civic Engagement**

Definition: Civic engagement is "working to make a difference in the civic life of our communities and developing the combination of knowledge, skills, values and motivation to make that difference. It means promoting the quality of life in a community through both political and non-political processes." (Excerpted from *Civic Responsibility and Higher Education*, edited by Thomas Ehrlich, published by Oryx Press, 2000, Preface, page vi.). In addition, civic engagement is participation in personal and public activities that are both life-enriching and socially beneficial to the community.

**Written and Oral Communication**

Definition: Written communication is the development and expression of ideas in writing. It involves writing in a variety of styles, genres, and technologies and mixing text, data, and images. Written communication abilities develop through repeated writing experiences across the disciplines.

**Critical Thinking**

Definition: Critical thinking is the use of deliberative thought, characterized by the comprehensive exploration of topics, ideas, artifacts, or events before accepting or formulating an opinion or conclusion. Using reason and experience to form informed judgments, the critical thinker combines or synthesizes existing ideas, images, or expertise in original ways; and reacts to experience in imaginative ways, characterized by innovation, divergent thinking, and risk-taking. The critical thinker solves problems by designing, evaluating, and implementing a strategy to answer an open-ended question or achieve a desired goal. Quantitative Literacy (QL) – also known as Numeracy or Quantitative Reasoning (QR) – is a "habit of mind," competency, and comfort in working with numerical data. Individuals with strong QL skills possess the ability to reason and solve quantitative problems from a wide array of authentic contexts and everyday life situations. They understand and can create sophisticated arguments supported by quantitative evidence and they can clearly communicate those arguments in a variety of formats (using words, tables, graphs, mathematical equations, etc., as appropriate).

**Entrepreneurship**

Definition: Entrepreneurship is the process of organizing tangible and intangible resources in order to pursue opportunities that generate value, meet an identified need, or satisfy an organizational or societal market (such as the creation of a business, organization, or laboratory). At Harrisburg University, entrepreneurship represents a "frame of mind" demonstrated by both thinking and action.

**Ethical Awareness and Reasoning**

Definition: Ethical decision making actualizes the realization and inclusion of the moral dimension for personal decision-making. "Reasoning about right and wrong human conduct requires students to be able to 1) assess their own ethical values and the social context of problems, 2) recognize ethical issues in a variety of settings, 3) think about how different ethical perspectives might be applied to ethical dilemmas, and 4) consider the ramifications of alternative actions." Ethical self-identity evolves both on individual and organizational (e.g., corporate) levels.

\* Source: AAC&U / VALUE rubric

**Global Awareness Rubric**

Definition: Global awareness is knowledge of the world citizenry's common interests in community, social, political, information, and financial systems of different scales;

appreciation and respect for diversity, culture, and environment; and the interactions and impacts of individuals, global systems, and cultures.

### **Information Literacy Rubric**

Definition: Information literacy encompasses knowledge and familiarity with different media types, efficient data storage, retrieval methods, and research techniques. For the purposes of this rubric, “information” is not only text-based information, but also includes images, sounds, data sets, databases, artifacts, numerical and statistical data.

### **Teamwork and Collaboration Rubric**

Definition: Teamwork and Collaboration encompass the ability to work effectively with others in a concerted effort toward a common goal. “Behaviors under the control of individual team members” include efforts put into team tasks, manner of interacting with others on the team, and the quantity and quality of contributions to team discussions.

\* Source: AAC&U / VALUE rubric

Regardless of the student’s program of study, employers and community leaders desire these competencies; they also serve the broader purpose of preparation for life and citizenship.

## **Structure of the Master of Science Degree Program**

Graduate education focuses on individualized career advancement in areas of study within science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines. The University’s approach is based on an experiential model that allows the student to gain and apply knowledge and skills at an advanced level and to focus on an area of need or interest particular to the student. Faculty combine corporate and academic perspectives in the design, development, and delivery of graduate programs and courses. Programs are primarily designed for working professionals focused on career advancement.

### **Master of Science Degree Model**

The curriculum requires a minimum of 36 earned semester hours to fulfill the Master of Science degree requirements. The courses are distributed in the following required areas: Core, Experiential, and Electives. Each requirement is detailed as follows:

#### *Core Courses*

#### **15 or 18 semester hours**

Each Master of Science program has Core semester hours that uniquely define the specific program

Master of Science Degree programs are offered in the following areas:

- Analytics (ANMS)
- Biotechnology (BTMS)
- Computer Information Sciences (CSMS)
- Healthcare Informatics (HCMS)
- Information Systems Engineering and Management (ISEM)
- Learning Technologies and Media Systems (LTMS)
- Project Management (PMGT)

#### *Electives*

#### **12 or 15 semester hours**

Any graduate course from any graduate program not required by the program may be applied toward the elective requirement. This component of the program may be used to complete a concentration in a specific topic or may be used to individualize the student's program of study.

*Experiential Courses*

**6 semester hours**

The experiential course sequence synthesizes the key concepts of the program extending and applying these concepts to real life practical problems or research investigations. It consists of two courses: a research methodology and writing course, and a Graduate Thesis or Applied Project.

*Master of Science Degree*

**total of 36 semester hours**

## ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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### Master of Science in Analytics (ANMS)

This 36-semester hour program prepares the student by providing depth in analytics during the first year and focused functional study during the second year that can be applied to any discipline or any interdisciplinary area. Data analysts are forging new relationships in virtually every discipline: business, healthcare, geology, mathematics and statistics, biology, chemistry, computer science, information systems and technology, engineering, psychology, behavioral science, operations research and more, in addition to potential interactions between these disciplines, using role-based interaction with information and analytics to enable highly- collaborative, data-driven organizations. The graduate of this program enters the workforce prepared for the complex, information-intensive world.

The Analytics student may specialize in the following areas: Natural Language Processing, Machine Learning, Forecasting or an individualized concentration.

### Program Goals

ANMS graduates are able to:

- Identify and assess the opportunities, needs and constraints for data usage;
- Make clear and insightful analyses changing direction quickly as required by these analyses;
- Identify new opportunities, find better explanations or discover and creatively solve problems using insights developed through data analyses;
- Communicate clearly and persuasively to a variety of audiences;
- Maintain ethics throughout the conduct and use of analyses and results; and,
- Lead analytics teams and projects.

Graduates become data scientists and analysts in finance, marketing, operations and business intelligence working groups that generate and consume large amounts of data.

**Analytics Requirements** - The following courses comprise the Master of Science in Analytics program - 36 semester hours. The semester hour value of each course appears in parentheses ( ).

Complete all of the following Core courses – 15 semester hours:

ANLY 500	Analytics I: Principles and Applications	(3)
ANLY 510	Analytics II: Principles and Applications	(3)
ANLY 502	Analytical Methods I	(3)
ANLY 506	Exploratory Data Analysis	

	or	(3)
ANLY 512	Data Visualization	
ANLY 545	Analytical Methods II	
	or	(3)
ANLY 560	Functional Programming Methods for Analytics	

Complete the following experiential courses – 6 semester hours:

GRAD 695	Research Methodology and Writing	(3)
	and	
ANLY 699	Applied Project in ANLY	
	or	(3)
GRAD 699	Graduate Thesis	

Complete one of the following concentrations:

**Natural Language Processing Concentration:**

ANLY 506	Exploratory Analyses	
	or	(3)
ANLY 512	Data Visualization	
	<i>(Select the course not taken as part of the core)</i>	
ANLY 520	Sentiment Analysis	(3)
ANLY 540	Analysis of Human Language	(3)
ANLY 610	Analytical Methods III	(3)
ANLY Elective		(3)

**Machine Learning Concentration:**

ANLY 506	Exploratory Analyses	
	or	(3)
ANLY 512	Data Visualization	
	<i>(Select the course not taken as part of the core)</i>	
ANLY 530	Machine Learning I	(3)
ANLY 535	Machine Learning II	(3)
ANLY 610	Analytical Methods III	(3)
ANLY Elective		(3)

**Forecasting Concentration:**

ANLY 506	Exploratory Analyses	
	or	(3)
ANLY 512	Data Visualization	
	<i>(Select the course not taken as part of the core)</i>	
ANLY 505	Modeling, Simulation and Gamification	(3)
ANLY 515	Risk Modeling and Assessment	(3)
ANLY 525	Quantitative Decision-Making	(3)
ANLY 530	Machine Learning I	(3)

**Individualized Concentration:**

The Master of Science in Analytics student can choose courses totaling 15 semester hours of credit from any of the following Master of Science programs: Analytics, Information Systems Engineering and Management, Computer Information Sciences, Learning Technologies, or Project Management.

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Analytics Program with a Concentration in Natural Language Processing** – The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
ANLY 500 Analytics I: Principles and Applications	3	ANLY 506 Exploratory Data Analysis	3	ANYL 510 Analytics II: Principles and Applications	3
ANLY 502 Analytical Methods I	3	ANLY 512 Data Visualization	3	ANLY 545 Analytical Methods II Or ANLY 560 Functional Programming Methods for Analytics	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
ANLY 520 Sentiment Analysis	3	ANLY 540 Analysis of Human Language	3	ANLY 699 Applied Project in ANLY or GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis	3
GRAD 695 Research Methodology & Writing	3	ANLY 610 Analytical Methods III	3	ANLY Elective	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>



**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Analytics Program with a Concentration in Machine Learning** – The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
ANLY 500 Analytics I: Principles and Applications	3	ANLY 506 Exploratory Data Analysis	3	ANYL 510 Analytics II: Principles and Applications	3
ANLY 502 Analytical Methods I	3	ANLY 512 Data Visualization	3	ANLY 545 Analytical Methods II Or ANLY 560 Functional Programming Methods for Analytics	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
ANLY 530 Machine Learning I	3	ANLY 535 Machine Learning II	3	ANLY 699 Applied Project in ANLY or GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis	3
GRAD 695 Research Methodology & Writing	3	ANLY 610 Analytical Methods III	3	ANLY Elective	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Analytics**

**Program with a Concentration in Forecasting** – The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
ANLY 500 Analytics I: Principles and Applications	3	ANLY 506 Exploratory Data Analysis	3	ANYL 510 Analytics II: Principles and Applications	3
ANLY 502 Analytical Methods I	3	ANLY 512 Data Visualization	3	ANLY 545 Analytical Methods II Or ANLY 560 Functional Programming Methods for Analytics	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
ANLY 505 Modeling, Simulation, and Gamification	3	ANLY 530 Machine Learning I	3	ANLY 699 Applied Project in ANLY or GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis	3
GRAD 695 Research Methodology & Writing	3	ANLY 515 Risk Modeling and Assessment	3	ANLY 525 Quantitative Decision-Making	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Analytics Program with an Individualized Concentration** – The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
ANLY 500 Analytics I: Principles and Applications	3	ANLY 506 Exploratory Data Analysis Or ANLY 512 Data Visualization	3	ANYL 510 Analytics II: Principles and Applications	3
ANLY 502 Analytical Methods I	3	Elective	3	ANLY 545 Analytical Methods II Or ANLY 560 Functional Programming Methods for Analytics	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
Elective	3	Electives	3	ANLY 699 Applied Project in ANLY or GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis	3
GRAD 695 Research Methodology & Writing	3	Elective	3	Elective	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

## **Master of Science in Biotechnology (BTMS)**

The 36-semester hour master of science degree in Biotechnology provides a comprehensive work-oriented curriculum that explores the industrial, medical, and regulatory underpinnings of the biotechnology field. The program offers a sound foundation in these multiple areas of biotechnology, while integrating the applied and innovative aspects of the science. With a focus on industry-relevant projects, case studies, and real-world scenarios, the program graduates are prepared with the skills and technical expertise to confidently cater to the needs of an ever-growing biotechnology sector.

This master's program prepares the student for biotechnology careers focusing on research and development, leadership, planning, management and marketing. The flexibility of the general degree allows student customization of the coursework to meet individual career goals. The program offers four different concentrations: biomanufacturing, medical biotechnology, biotechnology business and management, and an individualized program of study.

### **Program Goals**

A successful student of the program gains the following skills (vary according to the degree/concentration taken):

1. Research biotechnology concepts and developments to determine their relevance to applications in biotechnology;
2. Evaluate research literature, emerging technologies, and commercial developments to design and/or develop innovative biotechnology applications and products;
3. Work as part of a project team to plan and manage the production of an innovative biotechnology application or product;
4. Analyze the global business environment of biotechnology industry including regulations and finance to make ethical decisions that meet the needs of the organization; and,
5. Actively communicate and collaborate as part of the global community of biotechnology researchers and developers.

**Biotechnology Requirements:** The following courses comprise the Master of Science in Biotechnology – 36 semester hours. The semester hour value of each course appears in parentheses ( ).

Complete all of the following core courses – 18 semester hours:

BTEC 502	Biomaterials	(3)
BTEC 508	Omics for Life Sciences	(3)
BTEC 522	Graduate BTEC Seminar	(3)
BTEC 540	Biostatistics	(3)
BTEC 550	Instrumentation for BTEC Industry	(3)
BTEC 560	Design of Experiment	(3)

Complete the following experiential courses – 6 semester hours:

GRAD 695 and	Research Methodology & Writing	(3)
BTEC 699 or	Applied Project in BTEC	(3)
GRAD 699	Graduate Thesis	

Complete one of the following concentrations – 12 semester hours:

**Biomanufacturing:**

BTEC 618	Principles of Bioprocessing	(3)
BTEC 650	Fermentation Technologies	(3)
BTEC 655	Industrial Enzymes and Proteins	(3)
BTEC 675	Innovation/Improvisation in R&D	(3)
BTEC 698	Graduate Internship in BTEC	(3)
GRAD Elective*		(3)

**Medical Biotechnology:**

BTEC 610	Advanced Topics in Drug Discovery and Delivery	(3)
BTEC 615	Biomedical Devices and Prototyping	(3)
BTEC 620	Emerging Trends in Diagnostics	(3)
BTEC 625	Pharmacogenomics	(3)
BTEC 630	Cancer Biotechnology	(3)
BTEC 635	Clinical Pharmacology	(3)
BTEC 640	Trends in Regenerative Medicine	(3)
BTEC 698	Graduate Internship in BTEC	(3)
GRAD Elective*		(3)

**Biotechnology Business and Management:**

BTEC 612	Regulatory Affairs in Life Science	(3)
BTEC 622	Principles of Accounting and Finance	(3)
BTEC 634	Healthcare Economics: Fundamentals for Providers and Biotech Professionals	(3)
BTEC 672	Legal Affairs and Policies for Life Science Industry	(3)
BTEC 675	Innovative & Improvisation in Research & Development	(3)
MGMT 510	Principles of Management	(3)
GRAD Elective*		(3)

**Individualized**

The Master of Science in Biotechnology student can choose electives totaling up to 12 credits from any of the following graduate programs at Harrisburg University: Computer Information Sciences, Information Systems Engineering and Management, Project Management, Analytics, and Healthcare Informatics. This option allows the BTMS student to build their own customized specialization and concentrations.

\* Student can choose a course from any of the Master of Science programs.

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Biotechnology with a Concentration in Biomanufacturing** - The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
BTEC 502 Biomaterials	3	BTEC 540 Biostatistics	3	BTEC 550 Instrumentation for BTEC Industry	3
Biomanufacturing Elective	3	Biomanufacturing Elective	3	Biomanufacturing Elective	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
BTEC 508 Omics for Life Sciences	3	BTEC 522 Graduate BTEC Seminar	3	BTEC 560 Design of Experiment	3
Biomanufacturing Elective	3	GRAD 695 Research Methodology and Writing	3	GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis Or BTEC 699 Applied Project in BTEC Or BTEC 698 Biotechnology Graduate Internship	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in**

**Biotechnology with a Concentration in Medical Biotechnology** - The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>Summer Semester</b>	
BTEC 502 Biomaterials	3	BTEC 540 Biostatistics	3	BTEC 550 Instrumentation for BTEC Industry	3
Medical Biotechnology Elective	3	Medical Biotechnology Elective	3	Medical Biotechnology Elective	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>Summer Semester</b>	
BTEC 508 Omics for Life Sciences	3	BTEC 522 Graduate BTEC Seminar	3	BTEC 560 Design of Experiment	3
Medical Biotechnology Elective	3	GRAD 695 Research Methodology and Writing	3	GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis Or BTEC 699 Applied Project in BTEC Or BTEC 698 Biotechnology Graduate Internship	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

### Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Biotechnology with a Concentration in Biotechnology Business and Management

The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

#### First Year

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
BTEC 502 Biomaterials	3	BTEC 540 Biostatistics	3	BTEC 550 Instrumentation for BTEC Industry	3
Biotechnology Business & Management Elective	3	Biotechnology Business & Management Elective	3	Biotechnology Business & Management Elective	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

#### Second Year

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
BTEC 508 Omics for Life Sciences	3	BTEC 522 Graduate BTEC Seminar	3	BTEC 560 Design of Experiment	3
Biotechnology Business & Management Elective	3	GRAD 695 Research Methodology and Writing	3	GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis Or BTEC 699 Applied Project in BTEC Or BTEC 698 Biotechnology Graduate Internship	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>



### Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in

**Biotechnology with an Individualized Concentration** - The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

#### First Year

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
BTEC 502 Biomaterials	3	BTEC 540 Biostatistics	3	BTEC 550 Instrumentation for BTEC Industry	3
Graduate Elective	3	Graduate Elective	3	Graduate Elective	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

#### Second Year

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
BTEC 508 Omics for Life Sciences	3	BTEC 522 Graduate BTEC Seminar	3	BTEC 560 Design of Experiment	3
Graduate Elective	3	GRAD 695 Research Methodology and Writing	3	GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis Or BTEC 699 Applied Project in BTEC Or BTEC 698 Biotechnology Graduate Internship	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

## **Master of Science in Computer Information Sciences (CSMS)**

The 36 semester hour master degree in Computer Information Sciences provides a solid foundation in the fundamental areas of computer science and cyber security. The program includes courses to acquaint the student with current advances in the discipline, and their applications in business, health care and other areas. The ability to devise a solution and execute it is the heart of the practice of this program. Designing such solutions requires creating efficient computation, which involves the integration of few key design notions of data representation, algorithms, programming, and knowledge in systems, data security, and software engineering in one unified framework. A graduate of the program is able to integrate business, interpersonal and team skills, and the computational skills that lead to a professional employment and prepare them for the doctoral studies in the field.

### **Program Goals**

A successful student of the program gains the following skills (vary according to the degree/concentration taken):

- Demonstrate a focused knowledge of computer information sciences and their area of expertise;
- Apply knowledge and analytical skills to create effective and novel solutions to both practical and research problems;
- Adapt to rapidly changing technology, engage in life-long learning, and have a quality of an entrepreneur;
- Actualize the realization and inclusion of the moral dimension for personal decisions; and,
- Possess excellent teamwork skills and have strong scientific communication skills.

**Computer Information Sciences Requirements:** The following courses comprise the Master of Science in Computer Information Sciences – 36 semester hours. The semester hour value of each course appears in parentheses ().

Complete all of the following core courses – 15 semester hours:

CISC 530	Computer Architecture	(3)
CISC 600	Scientific Computing I	(3)
CISC 610	Data Structures & Algorithms	(3)
CISC 661	Principles of Cybersecurity & Cyber Warfare	(3)
CISC 520	Data Engineering & Mining	
or		
CISC 525	Big Data Architecture	
or		
CISC 560	Secure Computer Systems	(3)
or		
CISC 612	Elements of Computer Systems	
or		
CISC 620	Principles of Machine Learning	

Complete the following experiential courses – 6 semester hours:

GRAD 695	Research Methodology & Writing	(3)
and		
CISC 699	Applied Project in CISC	
or		
		(3)

## GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis

Complete one of the following concentrations (15 semester hours):

**Computer Science Concentration:**

CISC 601	Scientific Computing II	(3)
CISC 603	Theory of Computation	(3)
CISC 611	Network Operating Systems	(3)
CISC 614	Computer Simulation	(3)
Elective*		(3)

**Cyber Security Concentration:**

CISC 662	Ethical Hacking Development Lab	(3)
CISC 663	Cyber Risk Assessment & Management	(3)
CISC 664	Advanced Digital Forensics	(3)
CISC 665	Biometric Security Systems	(3)
Elective*		(3)

\* Student can choose a course from any of the Master of Science programs.

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Computer Information Sciences Program with a concentration in Computer Science –**

The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

<b>Concentration in Computer Science</b>					
<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>Summer Semester</b>	
CISC 530 Computer Architecture	3	CISC 600 Scientific Computing I	3	CISC 601 Scientific Computing II	3
CISC 610 Data Structures & Algorithms	3	CISC 603 Theory of Computation	3	CISC 611 Network Operating Systems	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>Summer Semester</b>	
CISC 614 Computer Simulation	3	CISC 661 Principles of Cybersecurity & Cyber Warfare	3	Elective	3
CISC 520 Data Engineering & Mining or CISC 525 Big Data Architecture or CISC 560 Secure Computer Systems or CISC 612 Elements of Computer Systems or CISC 620 Principles of Machine Learning	3	GRAD 695 Research Methodology & Writing	3	GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis or CISC 699 Applied Project in CISC	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Computer Information Sciences Program with a concentration in Cyber Security** – The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

<b>Concentration in Cyber Security</b>					
<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>Summer Semester</b>	
CISC 530 Computer Architecture	3	CISC 600 Scientific Computing I	3	CISC 662 Ethical Hacking Development Lab	3
CISC 610 Data Structures & Algorithms	3	CISC 661 Principles of Cybersecurity & Cyber Warfare	3	CISC 663 Cyber Risk Assessment & Management	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>Summer Semester</b>	
CISC 664 Advanced Digital Forensics	3	CISC 665 Biometric Security Systems	3	Elective	3
CISC 520 Data Engineering & Mining or CISC 525 Big Data Architecture or CISC 560 Secure Computer Systems or CISC 612 Elements of Computer Systems or CISC 620 Principles of Machine Learning	3	GRAD 695 Research Methodology & Writing	3	GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis or CISC 699 Applied Project in CISC	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

## **Master of Science in Healthcare Informatics (HCMS)**

The 36-semester hour graduate program in Healthcare Informatics provides clinicians with knowledge and experience that allows them to function as valued team members selecting, installing, adopting, employing, evaluating and optimizing healthcare-related IT systems, such as Electronic Medical Records (EMRs), in today's healthcare delivery systems. The clinical objectives of healthcare informatics are to enhance individual and population health outcomes, improve patient care, and strengthen the clinician-patient relationship. This program emphasizes translational, communication and interpersonal skills during the selection, implementation, and optimization of healthcare IT systems while providing a solid base in informatics practice, analytics tools, and the management, capture, analysis, and governance of healthcare data. These skills are necessary for effective change management of healthcare providers, for knowledge management in the institution, and for effective communication of key information and insights to both colleagues and senior decision makers.

### **Program Goals**

A successful student of the program gains the following skills (vary according to the degree/concentration taken):

- Analyze, as valued healthcare information technology team members, healthcare-related IT systems to facilitate selecting, installing, adopting, employing, evaluating and optimizing them;
- Apply today's analytic tools, evaluate their appropriate uses and ask the right questions of data analysts to obtain actionable knowledge and insight from available healthcare data;
- Be thought leaders in developing new tools and techniques for improving healthcare delivery systems;
- Lead interdisciplinary teams and project;
- Communicate clearly and effectively to a variety of audiences;
- Synthesize and evaluate the potential 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> order effects of implementing new programs based on new insights into healthcare data;
- Be aware of the socio-political environment surrounding programs addressing healthcare; and,
- Participate to the extent possible in responsible and effective corporate decision-making aimed at improving the community.

**Healthcare Informatics Requirements:** The following courses comprise the Master of Science in Healthcare Informatics – 36 semester hours. The semester hour value of each course appears in parentheses ().

Complete all of the following core courses – 15 semester hours:

HCIN 500	Healthcare Informatics	(3)
ISEM 545	Healthcare Data	(3)
HCIN 515	Essential Informatics Skills I	(3)
HCIN 520	Essential Informatics Skills II	(3)
HCIN 550	Introduction to Healthcare Analytics	(3)

Complete the following experiential courses – 6 semester hours:

GRAD 695	Research Methodology & Writing	(3)
and		
HCIN 699	Applied Project in CISC	
or		(3)
GRAD 699	Graduate Thesis	

Complete 15 credit hours of graduate-level courses, with the approval of the student's faculty advisor, from the Harrisburg University course catalog. This allows the student to obtain educational experiences that apply directly to personal interests and goals within the broad scope of healthcare informatics. The following courses are likely to be among those selected (15 semester hours):

**Individualized Concentration:**

ANLY 500	Analytics I: Principles and Applications	(3)
ANLY 506	Exploratory Data Analysis	(3)
ANLY 510	Analytics II: Principles and Applications	(3)
ANLY 512	Data Visualization	(3)
ANLY 515	Risk Modeling and Assessment	(3)
ANLY 525	Quantitative Decision-Making	(3)
BTEC 634	Healthcare Economics: Fundamentals for Providers and Biotech Professionals	(3)
CISC 520	Data Mining and Engineering	(3)
CISC 525	Big Data Architecture	(3)
ISEM 500	Strategic IS Planning, Engineering & Management	(3)
ISEM 501	Information & Communication Technologies (ICT) Principles	(3)
ISEM 525	Business Process Modeling and Workflow Systems	(3)
ISEM 565	Business Intelligence and Decision Support Systems	(3)
MGMT 510	Business Strategy and Management Principles	(3)
MGMT 511	Digital and Global Organizations	(3)
MGMT 520	Professional Communication	(3)
MGMT 560	Organizational Leadership	(3)
PMGT 510	Project Management	(3)
PMGT 540	Planning and Executing Projects	(3)

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Healthcare Informatics with an Individualized Concentration** - The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
HCIN 500 Healthcare Informatics	3	ISEM 545 Healthcare Data	3	HCIN 520 Essential Informatics Skills II	3
ISEM 541 Healthcare Systems Or Elective	3	HCIN 515 Essential Informatics Skills I	3	HCIN 550 Introduction to Healthcare Analytics	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
Elective	3	Elective	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	GRAD 695 Research Methodology and Writing	3	GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis Or HCIN 699 Applied Project in Healthcare Informatics	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Certificate in Healthcare Informatics from Harrisburg University**

This 15-semester hour graduate certificate program in Healthcare Informatics prepares the student with the basics of healthcare informatics in order to function effectively as project champions for healthcare information technology implementations and other basic informatics functions. A student may complete this program as a non-degree graduate student or as a Master of Science degree-seeking student.

Complete all of the following courses – 15 semester hours:

- HCIN 500 Healthcare Informatics (3)
- ISEM 545 Healthcare Data (3)
- HCIN 515 Essential Informatics Skills I (3)
- HCIN 520 Essential Informatics Skills II (3)
- HCIN 550 Introduction to Healthcare Analytics (3)



## **Master of Science in Information Systems Engineering and Management (ISEM)**

The 36 semester hour graduate program in Information Systems Engineering and Management (ISEM) is designed to educate the leaders who can plan, engineer and re-engineer, and manage the systems needed to support the modern digital enterprises. Graduate studies in ISEM cut across the following three active areas of work:

- Information Systems – latest technologies and approaches (e.g. web-based components, mobile computing and wireless communications, business intelligence, and emerging technologies);
- Systems Engineering – systems thinking and emphasis on systems instead of individual components; enterprise architectures consisting of people, processes and technologies; and,
- Management – business strategies, entrepreneurship, planning integration, security, governance, global enterprises, and agile enterprises.

ISEM is a flexible and interdisciplinary program that emphasizes the enterprise architecture, planning and management issues at global levels. An ISEM student may specialize in the following areas: digital government, digital health, entrepreneurship, information security, software engineering and systems development, and an individualized concentration.

### **Program Goals**

ISEM graduates are able to:

- Manage and engineer or re-engineer the systems needed to support the current, and next, generation(s) of digital enterprises;
- Undertake planning integration, security and administrative assignments in modern enterprises;
- Emphasize interdisciplinary knowledge from three active areas of work (information systems, systems engineering, and management) to address practical problems; and,
- Be a thought leader in building and managing future systems.

**Information Systems Engineering and Management Requirements-** The following courses comprise the Master of Science in Information Systems Engineering and Management program - 36 semester hours. The semester hour value of each course appears in parentheses ( ).

Complete all of the following Core courses – 15 semester hours:

ISEM 500	Strategic Information Systems Planning, Engineering & Management	(3)
CISC 510	Object-Oriented Software	
or		
ISEM 502	User-Centered Design	
or		
ISEM 530	Analysis and Design of Modern Information Systems	(3)
or		
ISEM 565	Business Intelligence and Decision Support Systems	
or		
LTMS 531	Designing Serious Games and Simulations	
ISEM 540	Architectures and Integration of Modern Enterprises	(3)

MGMT 510	Business Strategy and Management Principles	(3)
ANLY 500	Analytics I: Principles and Applications	
or		
MGMT 511	Digital and Global Organizations	(3)
or		
PMGT 510	Principle of Project Management	

Complete the following experiential courses – 6 semester hours:

GRAD 695	Research Methodology and Writing	(3)
and		
ISEM 699	Applied Project in ISEM	
or		
GRAD 699	Graduate Thesis	(3)

Complete one of the following Concentrations (15 semester hours):

**Individualized Concentration:**

The Master of Science in Information Systems Engineering and Management student can choose courses totaling 15 semester hours of credit from any of the graduate programs at HU. This option allows the ISEM students to build their own customized specializations and concentrations.

OR

**Analytics Concentration:**

ANLY 500	Analytics I: Principles and Applications	(3)
ANLY 505	Modeling, Simulation and Gamification	(3)
ANLY 510	Analytics II: Principles and Applications	(3)
ANLY 515	Risk Modeling and Assessment	(3)
CISC 520	Data Mining and Engineering	(3)

**Digital Government Concentration:**

ISEM 560	Digital Governments	(3)
ISEM 561	Public Administration in the Digital Age	(3)
ISEM 562	Public Policy	(3)
	Electives	(6)

**Digital Health Concentration:**

ISEM 541	Healthcare Systems	(3)
ISEM 542	Healthcare Informatics and Information Systems	(3)
ISEM 543	Digital Health	(3)
ISEM 544	Social, Technical and Organizational Issues in Digital Health	(3)
	Electives	(3)

**Entrepreneurship Concentration:**

MGMT 531	Business Entrepreneurship Principles	(3)
MGMT 532	Business Entrepreneurship Management	(3)
MGMT 533	Business and Entrepreneurship Financing	(3)
	Electives	(6)

**Information Security Concentration:**

CISC 560	Secure Computer Systems	(3)
CISC 570	Advanced Database Security	(3)
CISC 580	Advanced Network Security	(3)
CISC 590	Information Security Project	(3)
ISEM 550	Information Security Management	(3)

**Software Engineering and Systems Development Concentration:**

CISC 510	Object-Oriented Software Engineering	(3)
CISC 520	Data Engineering and Mining	(3)
CISC 530	Computer Architecture for Software Engineers	(3)
CISC 540	Agile Software Development	(3)
CISC 550	Software Engineering in Mobile Computing	(3)

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in**

**Information Systems Engineering and Management Program** - The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
ISEM 500 Strategic Information Systems Planning	3	MGMT 510 Business Strategy and Management Principles	3	Concentration Elective	3
Concentration Elective	3	Concentration Elective	3	Concentration Elective	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
MGMT 511 Digital and Global Organization	3	ISEM 540 Architecture and Integration of Modern Enterprises	3	ISEM 699 Applied Project in ISEM or GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis	3
ISEM 502 User-Centered Design	3	GRAD 695 Research Methodology and Writing	3	Concentration Elective	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

## **Master of Science in Learning Technologies and Media Systems (LTMS)**

The Learning Technologies and Media Systems is a 36-semester hour program that provides the student with leading-edge approaches and skills to aid in the application of existing and emerging learning technologies in a variety of learning environments. The innovative, applied learning technologies program provides the student with immediate career benefits while preparing for anticipated industry needs. The LTMS program supports learning outcome advancements in business and education by cultivating learning leaders with a foundation in instructional design, learning theory, technology application, an understanding of critical issues and an advanced vision for technology-supported learning.

### **Program Goals**

LTMS graduates are able to:

- Analyze performance improvement opportunities to determine appropriate solutions;
- Create engaging learning solutions to improve performance;
- Evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of learning solutions; and,
- Play a role as a thought leader in the integration of technology to improve learning and performance.

**Learning Technologies Requirements**-The following courses comprise the Learning Technologies and Media Systems program - 36 semester hours. There are 15 semester hours of required core courses, 15 semester hours of open electives or concentration-based electives and 6 semester hours of an experiential component. The semester hour value of each course appears in parentheses ( ).

Complete all of the following Core courses – 15 semester hours:

LTMS 500	Macro Instructional Design	(3)
LTMS 510	Learning Technologies and Solutions	(3)
LTMS 514	Media, Selection, Design and Production	(3)
LTMS 518	eLearning Development	(3)
LTMS 525	Learning Theories & Instructional Strategies	(3)

Complete the following Experiential courses – 6 semester hours:

GRAD 695	Research Methodology and Writing	(3)
and		
GRAD 699	Graduate Thesis	
or		
LTMS 698	Learning Technologies Internship	(3)
or		
LTMS 699	Learning Technologies Applied Project	

Complete one of the following Concentrations (15 semester hours):

#### **Instructional Technology:**

LTMS 520	Learning Evaluation & Assessment	(3)
LTMS 530	Managing Technology Resources	(3)
LTMS 600	Implementing Web 2.0 in the Classroom	(3)
LTMS 608	Course Management Systems	(3)
LTMS 615	Coordinating the Learning Technology Infrastructure	(3)

It is possible to earn an Instructional Certificate in Instructional Technology K – 12 while completing the instructional technology concentration of the LTMS Master of Science program. See the certification requirements at the end of this section.

**Instructional Design:**

LTMS 520	Learning Evaluation & Assessment	(3)
LTMS 614	Social Learning in the Organization	(3)
LTMS 635	eLearning Authoring Systems	(3)
LTMS 636	Micro Instructional Design	(3)
LTMS 609	Synchronous Facilitation	(3)
	or	
LTMS 645	Visual Representation for Learning and Communication	(3)

**Instructional Development:**

LTMS 611	Extensible Languages for Development	(3)
LTMS 619	Enterprise Applications for eLearning	(3)
LTMS 625	Learning Management & Content Management Systems	(3)
LTMS 635	eLearning Authoring Systems	(3)
LTMS 680	Advanced eLearning Development	(3)

**Games and Simulations:**

LTMS 531	Designing Games & Simulations	(3)
LTMS 532	Developing Games & Simulations	(3)
LTMS 533	3D Modeling & Design	(3)
LTMS 534	Development for Virtual Worlds	(3)
LTMS 611	Extensible Languages for Development	(3)

**Integration and Leadership:**

PMGT 510	Principles of Project Management	(3)
LTMS 612	Integrating Learning Technologies with HR Functions	(3)
	or	
LTMS 530	Managing Technology Resources	(3)
LTMS 602	Learning Technology Evaluation, Selection and Implementation	(3)
	or	
LTMS 520	Learning Evaluation and Assessment	(3)
LTMS 625	Learning Management & Content Management Systems	(3)
LTMS 613	Data Protection in Learning Solutions	(3)

**Individualized Concentration:**

The Learning Technologies and Media Systems student can choose courses totaling 15 semester hours from any of the following Master of Science programs: Analytics, Computer Information Sciences, Information Systems Engineering and Management, Learning Technologies, or Project Management.

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Learning Technologies Program** - The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
LTMS 500 Macro Instructional Design	3	LTMS 525 Learning Theories and Instructional Strategies	3	LTMS 518 eLearning Development	3
LTMS 514 Media Selection, Design and Production	3	LTMS 510 Learning Technologies and Solutions	3	Concentration Elective	6
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
GRAD 695 Research Methodology and Writing	3	GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis or LTMS 698 Learning Technologies Internship or LTMS 699 Learning Technologies Applied Project		Concentration Electives	3
Concentration Elective	3	Concentration Elective	3	Concentration Elective	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Recommended Sequence for the Three-and-One-Half Master of Science in Learning Technologies Program** - The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
LTMS 500 Macro Instructional Design	3	LTMS 510 Learning Technologies and Solutions	3	Concentration Electives	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>3</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
LTMS 525 Learning Theories and Instructional Strategies	3	LTMS 514 Media Selection, Design and Production		Concentration Electives	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>3</b>

**Third Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
LTMS 518 eLearning Development	3	Concentration Electives	3	Concentration Electives	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>3</b>

**Fourth Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
GRAD 695 Research Methodology and Writing	3	GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis or LTMS 698 Learning Technologies Internship or LTMS 699 Learning Technologies Applied Project	3		
		Concentration Electives	3		
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>		

## **Pennsylvania Department of Education Instructional Certificate Program in Instructional Technology K - 12**

The 24-semester hour graduate program in Instructional Technology prepares the student for the Pennsylvania Department of Education's instructional certificate in instructional technology K – 12. A student may complete this program as a non-degree graduate student or as a Master of Science degree-seeking student.

Complete all of the following courses – 24 semester hours:

LTMS 500	Macro Instructional Design	(3)
LTMS 510	Learning Technologies and Solutions	(3)
LTMS 514	Media, Selection, Design and Production	(3)
LTMS 518	eLearning Development	(3)
LTMS 525	Learning Theories and Instructional Strategies	(3)
LTMS 530	Managing Technology Resources	(3)
LTMS 615	Coordinating the Learning Technology Infrastructure	(3)
LTMS 697	LTMS ePortfolio	(0)
LTMS 698	Learning Technologies Internship	(3)

## **Certificate in Instructional Design from Harrisburg University**

This 15-semester hour graduate certificate program in Instructional Design prepares the student with the skills, knowledge, and abilities needed to succeed in a career in the training industry. A student may complete this program as a non-degree graduate student or as a Master of Science degree-seeking student.

Complete all of the following courses – 15 semester hours:

LTMS 500	Macro Instructional Design	(3)
LTMS 518	eLearning Development	(3)
LTMS 531	Designing Games and Simulations	(3)
LTMS 520	Learning Evaluation and Assessment	(3)
LTMS 525	Learning Theories and Instructional Strategies	(3)
or		
LTMS 540	The Instructional Designer as Entrepreneur	(3)



## **Master of Science in Project Management (PMGT)**

The 36-semester hour graduate program in Project Management provides each student with a focused, applied and rigorous experience in creating, developing, implementing and assessing projects and the resulting products. To produce a high-quality product or service on time and to the specifications of a client, the skills and knowledge of a typical subject matter expert are not enough. The complexities of modern product development and project management require a professional with specific technical knowledge with strong project management and leadership skills. This program of study leads to a Master of Science degree that prepares the student for career advancement in the field of project management and for positions such as project manager, project coordinator, lead project engineer, enterprise project manager or information technology project manager.

### **Program Goals**

PMGT graduates are able to:

- Demonstrate the applied knowledge and technical expertise in the management of a single project to meet stakeholder needs within constraints and aligned with traditional project management frameworks with industry standard artifacts;
- Demonstrate the applied knowledge and technical expertise in the management of a single team to meet stakeholder needs within constraints and aligned with agile project management frameworks with industry best practices;
- Demonstrate professional behavior by showing how successful project management will use stakeholder engagement, communication, leadership, and teamwork that is ethical, and culturally aware; and,
- Demonstrate strategic financial and organizational contextual awareness and insight by linking key stakeholder objectives to sustainable competitive strategies required to deliver value across operational functions using traditional and agile techniques.

**Project Management Requirements** – Master of Science in Project Management program is a 36 semester hour program that consists of required core courses (18 semester hours), required project or thesis courses (6 semester hours), and electives from a wide range of management and technology courses (12 semester hours). The semester hour value of each course appears in parentheses (.).

Complete all of the following Core courses –18 semester hours:

MGMT 520	Professional Communication	(3)
MGMT 560	Organizational Leadership	(3)
PMGT 510	Principles of Project Management	(3)
PMGT 530	Procurement, Contracts & Risk Management	(3)
PMGT 540	Planning and Executing Projects	(3)
PMGT 570	Agile Project Management with Scrum	(3)

Complete the following Experiential courses – 6 semester hours:

GRAD 695 and	Research Methodology and Writing	(3)
PMGT 699 or	Applied Project in PMGT	(3)
GRAD 699	Graduate Thesis	

Complete one of the following concentrations (12 semester hours):

**Information Technology Concentration:**

ITPM 515	Business & Requirements Analysis Fundamentals	(3)
ITPM 525	Understanding & Documenting Technology Requirements	(3)
ITPM 531	System Development Lifecycle Introduction	(3)
ITPM 535	Business Process and Workflow Modeling	(3)
ITPM 550	Managing Systems Integration Projects	(3)
ITPM 551	Survey of Software Development Technologies and Architectures	(3)
ITPM 570	Improving IT Project Quality	(3)

**Agile Lean Concentration:**

PMGT 572	Agile Scrum Applied Projects	(3)
PMGT 574	Agile Lean Product Development	(3)
PMGT 576	Agile Lean Transformational Leadership	(3)
	PMGT Elective	(3)

**Individualized Concentration:**

The Master of Science in Project Management student can choose courses totaling 12 semester hours from any of the following Master of Science programs: Analytics, Computer Information Sciences, Information Systems Engineering and Management, Learning Technologies, or Project Management.

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Project Management Program** - The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
PMGT 510 Principles of Project Management	3	PMGT 540 Planning and Executing Projects	3	PMGT 530 Procurement, Contracts & Risk Management	3
MGMT 520 Professional Communication	3	MGMT 560 Organizational Leadership	3	PMGT 570 Agile Project Management with Scrum	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
PMGT 580 Project Management Offices or Program Elective	3	GRAD 695 Research Methodology and Writing	3	GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis or PMGT 699 Applied Project in Project Management	3
Concentration Electives	3	Concentration Electives	3	Concentration Electives	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Recommended Sequence for the Two-Year Master of Science in Project Management Program with a concentration in Agile Lean** - The sequence that appears below is based upon the availability of specific courses in each semester and the successful completion of course prerequisites.

**First Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
PMGT 510 Principles of Project Management	3	PMGT 540 Planning and Executing Projects	3	PMGT 530 Procurement, Contracts & Risk Management	3
MGMT 520 Professional Communication	3	MGMT 560 Organizational Leadership	3	PMGT 570 Agile Project Management with Scrum	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Second Year**

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Summer Semester	
PMGT 580 Project Management Offices or ITPM 515 Business and Requirements Analysis Fundamentals or Elective	3	GRAD 695 Research Methodology and Writing	3	GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis or PMGT 699 Applied Project in Project Management	3
PMGT 572 Agile Scrum Applied Projects	3	PMGT 574 Agile Lean Product Development	3	PMGT 576 Agile Lean Transformational Leadership	3
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>6</b>

**Certificate in Project Management**

This 18-semester hour certificate program is designed for an individual with a goal of obtaining a Certificate in Project Management and an industry certification from the Project Management Institute [either Project Management Professional (PMP), or Certified Associate Project Manager (CAPM)]. The Certificate in Project Management requires 18 semester hours in Project Management, a non-credit PMP preparation course, and the successful completion of the PMP exam or CAPM exam. A student may complete this program as a non-degree graduate student or as a Master of Science degree-seeking student.

Complete all of the following courses – 18 semester hours:

- MGMT 520 Professional Communication (3)
- MGMT 560 Organizational Leadership (3)
- PMGT 510 Principles of Project Management (3)
- PMGT 530 Procurement, Contracts & Risk Management (3)
- PMGT 540 Planning and Executing Projects (3)
- PMGT 570 Agile Project Management with Scrum (3)
- PMGT 697 PMP/CAPM Exam Preparation (0)

## Graduate Course Descriptions

### ANALYTICS (ANLY)

#### **ANLY 500 Analytics I: Principles and Applications** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: MATH 220 and 280

Corequisites: ANLY 502

Description: This course covers the core concepts and applications of analytics in different domains. The student is introduced to the main concepts and tools of analytics (e.g., data querying and reporting, data access and management, data cleaning, statistical programming, data mining introduction, relational databases, and statistical analysis of databases). The student is also introduced to the emerging topics in data sciences such as Big Data, Smart (Semantic) Data, data modeling, and data visualization. The student then applies the principles of analytics/data sciences to different domains such as health, education, public safety, public welfare, transportation, and other public and private sectors. The student is then encouraged to apply the concepts to a domain of interest.

#### **ANLY 502 Analytical Methods I** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course reviews the fundamental mathematics required to be successful in the analytics program. It is designed to strengthen the mathematical abilities while addressing the requirements for coding/scripting. It presents the mathematical topics as coding/scripting problems. This is intended to further strengthen the ability to develop the subroutines/codes/scripts that are also necessary in an analytics career.

#### **ANLY 505 Modeling, Simulation and Gamification** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: MATH 220 and 280

Description: This course covers the basic principles of mathematical modeling, Monte Carlo simulations, and gamification in modern enterprises. The course draws upon interdisciplinary source material, real-world case studies, and production game environments to identify effective analytical models, strategies, techniques, and metrics for the application of games to business. It also identifies a number of significant pitfalls to the successful implementation of gamification techniques, notably legal and ethical issues, the difficulty of making things fun, and the problems with implementing radical change in established firms. The course's emphasis is on how Big Data can be used to support the analytical models, simulations and games.

#### **ANLY 506 Exploratory Data Analysis** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: Exploratory data analysis plays a crucial role in the initial stages of analytics. It comprises the pre-processing, cleaning, and preliminary examination of data. This course provides instruction in all aspects of exploratory data analysis. It reviews a wide variety of tools and techniques for pre-processing and cleaning data, including big data. It provides the student with practice in evaluating and plotting/graphing data to evaluate the content and integrity of a data set.

#### **ANLY 510 Analytics II: Principles and Applications** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ANLY 500

Description: This course provides a comprehensive background for the student who wants to engage in advanced analytics projects in the public and private sectors. The student is exposed to descriptive, predictive as well as prescriptive analytics techniques. The course begins with a review of the descriptive analytics concepts (i.e., sampling and statistical inferences) ANLY 500 that are used to discover and understand correlations. It then concentrates on predictive analytics techniques such as regression, forecasting, and simulations that can be used to predict future events based on past data. The course

concludes with the perceptive analytics techniques that attempt to find the “best” solutions by using linear and non-linear optimization techniques and statistical decision models. The student is strongly encouraged to apply the concepts to domains of interest.

**ANLY 512 Data Visualization** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ANLY 500

Description: The visualization and communication of data is a core competency of analytics. This course takes advantage of the rapidly evolving tools and methods used to visualize and communicate data. Key design principles are used to reinforce skills in visual and graphical representation.

**ANLY 515 Risk Modeling and Assessment** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ANLY 500

Description: This course focuses on risk management models and tools and the measurement of risk using statistical and stochastic methods, hedging, and diversification. Examples of this are insurance risk, financial risk, and operational risk. Topics covered include estimating rare events, extreme value analysis, time series estimation of external events, axioms of risk measures, hedging using financial options, credit risk modeling, and various insurance risk models.

**ANLY 520 Sentiment Analytics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ANLY 500

Description: Web technologies based on text and Natural Language Processing (NLP) are becoming the bone structure of the cloud. Phones and handheld computers support predictive text and handwriting recognition; web search engines give access to information locked up in unstructured text; machine translation allows us to retrieve texts written in Chinese and read them in Spanish. By providing more natural human-machine interfaces, and more sophisticated access to stored information, text language processing has come to play a central role in the multi-lingual information society. This course provides a highly accessible introduction to the field of text mining and computational linguistics. The course is intensely practical; it uses R and/or Python programming language together with fully worked examples and graded exercises.

**ANLY 525 Quantitative Decision-Making** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ANLY 515

Description: Decision-making in business today requires the use of all resources, particularly information. Analytics supports decision-making quantitatively by applying information received from multiple sources. This course provides the foundation for quantitative decision-making using a rational, coherent approach and includes decision-making principles and how they are applied to business challenges today.

**ANLY 530 Machine Learning I** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ANLY 510

Description: This course introduces the student to machine learning. It provides the student with the cognitive, mathematical and analytical foundation required for machine learning. It also provides the student with a broad overview of machine learning, including topics from data mining, pattern recognition and supervised and unsupervised learning. This course prepares the student for the complex, higher-level topics in Machine Learning II.

**ANLY 535 Machine Learning II** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ANLY 530

Description: Machine Learning II considers complex, high-level topics in machine learning. It builds on the foundation provided by Machine Learning I to develop algorithms for supervised and unsupervised machine learning, to study and develop artificial neural networks, to study, develop and evaluate systems for pattern recognition and to consider trade-offs in models, for example, balancing complexity (e.g. volume, variety and velocity of big data) and performance.

**ANLY 540 Analysis of Human Language** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ANLY 520

Description: Over 80% of the content held on big data systems is in the form of unstructured data. The vast majority of the unstructured data is human language. Presently, the prevailing techniques employed to analyze this data are at the levels of word and short phrase analysis, such as those found in the Sentiment Analytics course. This course will move beyond these levels and introduce the student to advanced techniques used in computational linguistics and natural language processing.

**ANLY 545 Analytical Methods II** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ANLY 502

Description: This course provides student with exposure to an expanded range of analytical methods. This includes additional functions, e.g. the logit function, additional distributions, e.g. Poisson distribution, and additional analysis techniques, e.g. those included in the study of discrete structures such as combinatorics. Particular attention is paid to analytics relevant to disciplines in the social sciences. Also included are survey design, development and (survey data) analysis.

**ANLY 560 Functional Programming Methods for Analytics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course provides the student with the required knowledge and skills to handle and analyze data using a variety of programming languages as well as a variety of programming tools and methods. Depending on current industry standards, the student will be provided with the opportunity to develop knowledge and skills in programming environments such as R, Octave, and Python. In addition, the student is introduced to current industry standard data analysis packages and tools such as those in Matlab, SAS or SPSS.

**ANLY 580 Special Topics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course explores a topic or collection of topics of special interest that is timely and in response to critical or emerging topics in the broad field of analytics.

**ANLY 585 Research in Analytics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This program cultivates and supports research partnerships between the student, faculty and other researchers. It provides the student with the opportunity to work on cutting-edge research. Research projects can be at any appropriate and approved level; introductory, participatory or expert. Each project requires an approved proposal, periodic status reports and a final written report with a presentation prepared by the student in collaboration with the research supervisor.

**ANLY 600 Optimized Analytics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ANLY 510

Description: This course introduces the fundamental tool in prescriptive analytics. Optimization is the process of selecting values of decision variables that minimize or maximize some quantity of interest. Optimization models have been used extensively in operations and supply chains, finance, marketing, and other disciplines to help managers allocate resources more effectively and make lower cost or more profitable decisions.

**ANLY 610 Analytical Methods III** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course provides the student with exposure to the theoretical background for advanced analytical topics and methods. Topics include unstructured data/information and big data. For example, the theoretical background required for the integration of data mining and text analytics or text mining

are explored. Additional topics could include the implementation and use of data lakes and ontology evaluation.

**ANLY 699 Applied Project in Analytics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: GRAD 695 and permission of instructor

Description: This course allows the student to pursue an area of interest that is within the broad scope of analytics. A faculty member will supervise this study.

## **BIOTECHNOLOGY (BTEC)**

**BTEC 502 Biomaterials** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: None

Description: There is a constant need for new biomaterials in life sciences to support novel technologies. This course is designed to introduce the student to the various classes of biomaterials currently in use and their application in selected subspecialties of medicine/industrial processes. The student will learn about the concepts behind developing materials for use in medical or industrial biotechnology field. The student will gain an understanding of material properties, various biological responses to materials, and the clinical context of their use. Aspects of manufacturing processes, cost, sterilization, packaging, and regulatory issues will be addressed.

**BTEC 508 Omics for Life Sciences** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: Studies on cataloging and characterization of genome and proteome are on the forefront of research. Recently, there has been a considerable amount of work happening with genome and proteome data for selective manipulation of metabolic pathways, the metabolomics. All three fields are aggressively used in several areas for innovation in diagnostics, biomanufacturing, biomarker studies, and drug discovery to name a few. This course covers the basics of these three “omics” fields from the standpoint of using the information for developing new biotechnologies, especially in personalized medicine. The significance of next generation sequencing will be covered.

**BTEC 522 Graduate BTEC Seminar** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course introduces the student to fundamental topics in innovation, regulatory practices and ethics for various biotechnology industries and communities. The intention is to allow the student to learn about these diverse but inter-related areas that coalesce science and business disciplines. With the help of industry experts, case studies, and current literature, the student explores the interrelationship of these areas for creating productive collaborations within biotechnology industry with respect to compliance, innovation, and ethical decision-making.

**BTEC 540 Biostatistics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Undergraduate level Math or by permission of the instructor

Description: This course introduces statistical concepts and analytical methods as applied to data encountered in biotechnology and biomedical sciences. It emphasizes the basic concepts of experimental design, quantitative analysis of data, and statistical inferences. Topics include probability theory and distributions, population parameters and their sample estimates, descriptive statistics for central tendency and dispersion, hypothesis testing and confidence intervals for means, variances, and proportions, the chi-square statistic, categorical data analysis, linear correlation and regression model, and analysis of variance. The course provides the student a foundation to evaluate information critically to support research objectives and product claims and to gain better understanding of statistical design of experimental trials for biological products/devices.

**BTEC 550 Instrumentation in Biotechnology Industry** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: Instrumentation and application of various equipment is central to research and commercial production in the biotechnology industry. This course will familiarize the student with which instruments are used for which biotechnology applications and their principles of operation and limitations. Different biomolecules require different and customized protocols for isolation, purification, and characterization. The course offers an overview of instruments such sonicator, ultracentrifuges, spectrophotometers, etc. The course also covers the significance of instrument validation and calibration.

**BTEC 560 Design of Experiment** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: BTEC 540 or by permission of instructor

Description: This course allows the student to design an experiment and learn methodology for data analysis. Components such as major characteristics of a scientific experiment, running statistical analyses to perform various tests to check validity of the data would be covered. In a case-based manner, the student works on design of an experimental protocol for an assigned conceptual research project. Trouble-shooting strategies and analyzing data sets would be covered.

**BTEC 610 Advanced Topics in Drug Discovery and Delivery** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: This course introduces the student to the planning and preparatory phase skills required to develop potential new drugs and biologics efficiently. The student gains a thorough appreciation of FDA regulations and guidelines. It is known that in the drug discovery sector, it is important to plan before the proceeding to the development phase. With emphasis on the process, the course focuses on the final analysis and report before developing the protocols. Other important aspects of drug development covered in the course are preclinical investigations; new drug application (NDA) or biologic license application (BLA) format and content; clinical development plans; product and assay development; the Investigational New Drug (IND) process; and trial design, implementation, and management. Lastly, the course provides an overview of trending concepts such as controlled and targeted drug delivery.

**BTEC 612 Regulatory Affairs in Life Science Industries** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: Regulatory affairs (RA) are rules and regulations that oversee and govern product development and post-approval marketing in the life sciences. For US companies, Food and Drug Administration (FDA) establishes and oversees the applicable regulations under several statutes, partnerships with legislators, patients, and customers. The commercializable products for the Biotechnology sector can be food, drugs, biologics, or medical devices. Each type is regulated by a different center within the FDA. This course provides an overview of RA, and its effect on product development. The course covers RA history, various regulatory agencies, methods to access regulatory information, procedures for drug submissions, biologics submissions, and medical device submissions. It also addresses Good Laboratory Practices (GLP), Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), and FDA inspections. The course includes guest lectures, actual case studies and real world scenarios. As a course project, the student creates a conceptual submission document for a hypothetical drug/biologic/medical device approval.



**BTEC 615 Biomedical Devices and Prototyping** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or any other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: This course familiarizes the student with basic principles of biosensors design and applications. Biomedical devices such as Biosensors are one of the most innovative, complex, and fastest growing area of biotechnology today; the interface between biotechnology, nanotechnology and micro-electronics industries. The course covers a variety of biosensors based on whole cells, nucleic acids, proteins, antibodies and enzymes as well as new and emerging technologies related to designing, fabricating, and applying multi-array biochips and micro-fluidic systems (lab-on-the-chip). Practical applications of this technology in health care, environment, medical diagnostics, defense and other areas are explored.

**BTEC 618 Principles of Bioprocessing** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or any other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: Bioprocessing deals with the isolation, purification, and characterization of industrial bio-products. This course prepares the student with skills needed in bioprocessing procedures used in industry. Fundamental scientific principles underlying the recovery, purification and formulation of biomolecules, especially proteins, or other industrial bio-products are covered. Identification or delineation of key chemical and physical properties of biomolecules that impact downstream processing and formulation development are emphasized. Introduction to analytical and small-scale purification procedures exposes the student to key scientific principles and small-scale unit operations.

**BTEC 620 Emerging Trends in Diagnostics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: BTEC 502 or by permission of the instructor

Description: This course provides an overview of the fundamental principles of molecular diagnostics and explores the use of molecular techniques in the diagnosis of disease/infection/contaminants. Diagnostics has impacted several fields such as human health, environment, and food and agriculture. Development of novel diagnostics technologies have depended on discovery of biomarkers for multiple applications in fields such as drug discovery, drug delivery, and diagnostics in general. Topics covered in this course include: biomarkers, protein and nucleic acid structure-function, identification and amplification techniques used in infectious disease diagnosis, components of a molecular diagnostics, companion diagnostics, and evaluation of controls to validate results obtained. This course allows innovative use of current literature and technology with an entrepreneurship element. The student has an opportunity to use course material and available technology to design a conceptual assay/device for a chosen target and integrate it into a conceptual course project assignment.

**BTEC 622 Principles of Accounting and Finance** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course is offered to expose the student to a basic introduction to principles of accounting and finance for the life science industry. Accounting and finance take different shades when one compares revenues for giants like Target with that for a pharma company. The student studies life science companies and their accounting procedures. Impact of significant adjustments and estimates on revenue counting, health insurance, managed care, and governmental contracts is covered. Also covered are accounting practices related to multi-round private financing and IPO timing for start-ups. The student is taught the basics of money management, the language and vocabulary of finance, how to communicate scientific concepts to potential investors, and how to generate fiscal plans/milestones. Course activities enable the student to create and analyze financial documents such as a term sheet, a contract and a balance sheet. The student is also presented the concepts of financial risk and the time value of money. This course will use real company scenarios and case studies from life sciences companies.

**BTEC 625 Pharmacogenomics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: The genetic basis of variability in drug response can contribute to drug efficacy and toxicity, adverse drug reactions and drug-drug interactions. Healthcare professionals need an understanding of the genetic component of patient variability to deliver effective individualized pharmaceutical care. This course offers an introduction to the evolution of pharmacogenetics/pharmacogenomics, the human genome and modern applications of DNA information related to diagnostics, drugs and therapeutics. Emphasis is placed on concepts and methodologies for using an individual's genetic make-up to determine that individual's predisposition towards diseases and ability to respond to drugs. Understanding of the basics of pharmacogenomics enables the student to better understand and manage the new genomics based tools and make best treatment choices.

**BTEC 630 Cancer Biotechnology** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: Cancer has a huge impact on our society and is one of the major factors driving biomedical research related to various areas such as imaging, diagnosis, and therapy. This course provides a comprehensive overview of the molecular biology and genetic basis of cancer. Biotechnological research on the molecular mechanisms of cancer has resulted in more effective treatments, sensitive diagnostic procedures and strategies for prevention. The course covers topics such as mutations leading to deregulation of programmed cell death, their impact on cell proliferation, and cell differentiation. Cancer and medical intervention is also reviewed. It allows the student to study traditional treatment methods and new treatment protocols for cancer therapies. The challenges of early diagnostics are also covered.

**BTEC 634 Healthcare Economics: Fundamentals for Providers and Biotech Professionals** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: None

Description: Patients, healthcare providers and biotech industry professionals all have an interest in the best possible medical care, but healthcare services and products come at a cost. This course explores economics of topics that impact the cost of healthcare as we know it today, and how the healthcare technologies of the future will be funded. Additional questions, such as who pays and who gets access when healthcare is in limited supply, are discussed. Among the factors explored are market dynamics, public policy, technology, reimbursements and workforce and patient choices. Case studies, course papers, and group discussions are used to offer the course content in an engaging and interactive mode. This course requires no previous study of finance or economics.

**BTEC 635 Clinical Pharmacology** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: Clinical pharmacology deals with drug development and drug utilization in therapeutics. This course covers the advancements regarding drug action and efficacy. Concepts of pharmacokinetics, drug metabolism and transport, pharmacogenetics, assessment of drug effects, and drug therapy in special populations are explored. Expert knowledge is shared about drug development and content specialization needed to stay competitive and build opportunity for career options.

**BTEC 640 Trends in Regenerative Medicine** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: Tissue engineering (TE) and regenerative medicine (RM) are geared towards developing biological substitutes that restore, maintain, or improve damaged tissue and organ functionality. While tissue engineering and regenerative medicine have hinted at much promise in the last several decades,

significant research is still required to provide exciting alternative materials to finally solve the numerous problems associated with traditional implants. This course covers relevant biological, engineering, clinical, legal, regulatory and ethical principles and perspectives to understand the basics of RM. This course also introduces the student to the current state of the RM field, global market trends and opportunities and challenges in process development, manufacturing, and commercialization.

**BTEC 650 Fermentation Technologies** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: Fermentation technology focusses on use of recombinant microorganisms for several industrial processes, i.e. biomanufacturing. This course requires the student to conceptually design a process for biomanufacturing a target product. This includes the basics of strain selection, development, and process optimization. Application of strain morphology, physiology and DNA sequence- based methods are analyzed for industrial processes. The student studies microbial metabolism and its significance to the manufacturing process. Fundamentals of microbial growth, growth stoichiometry, types of growth media (defined, semi-defined, complex) and media optimization are covered. The course provides an overview of fermenter design concepts and operational principles for a fermentation process using bioreactors.

**BTEC 655 Industrial Enzymes and Proteins** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Bachelor of Science degree in Biotechnology, Life Science or other relevant field or by permission of instructor

Description: There is significant commercial activity in the biomanufacturing sector. Key products include vaccines, antibiotics, or various industrial enzymes. The basics of recombinant DNA (rDNA) principles in modification, selection, and application of recombinant microbial strains for industrial enzyme and protein production are studied. Theoretical foundations of microbial production and detection of recombinant protein products such as enzymes, hormones, and antibiotics are covered. The course provides an overview of basic methodologies involved in genetic manipulation of microbes to produce recombinant peptides and proteins. This would focus on use of plasmids, role of promoters and its use in control of gene expression with the end goal of generating enzymes and whole cells for industrial catalytic processes.

**BTEC 672 Legal Affairs and Policies for Life Science Industry** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course provides the student an overview of key legal concepts and policies that govern research, development and commercial activities within the biotech industry. The course is structured from a company's perspective and introduces the student to topics and strategies critical to management while considering new topics and products. Selected cases, videos of speeches, and assigned readings illustrate how the laws that provide protection of society and promotion of social goals operate. Procedures that allow navigating the middle ground while dealing with competition in the biotech and pharma industry would be covered as well. This course requires no previous legal study.

**BTEC 675 Innovation and Improvisation in Research and Development** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course will prepare the student for the research and development sector. The student develops creative problem-solving abilities and other skills necessary for innovative approaches in managing research and development units. The resolution of conflicts between Research and Development, manufacturing, and marketing in a high technology firm are studied. The student explores various coping strategies, ways to maintaining entrepreneurial spirit and encourage innovation as the company develops into a formal administrative organization, identify R &D issues and strategies to resolve them. Mass production techniques such as Just-In-Time, On-Job Training and Total Quality Management to the real world of high technology Research & Development (R&D) are studied. As a

team project for the course, the student identifies and develops solutions to practical problems or market needs for a hypothetical scenario.

**BTEC 698 Biotechnology Graduate Internship** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisite: Completion of 6 credits in the BTMS program

Description: This graduate internship course provides the student an opportunity to serve as a graduate intern to learn the skills of a certain job in real world situation. It is the student's responsibility to identify an industry or an organization from the field of interest and work on a mutually relevant topic under direct supervision of an employee from that company.

**BTEC 699 Applied Project in BTEC** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: GRAD 695 and permission of instructor

Description: This course allows the student to pursue an area of interest that is within the broad scope of BTEC. A faculty member will supervise this study.

## COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCES (CISC)

**CISC 510 Object-Oriented Software** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: Baccalaureate degree in Computer and Information Sciences with a concentration in Software Engineering and Systems Analysis or the equivalent.

Description: This course develops fluency in object-oriented design. The student studies semantics of object-oriented languages, strengths and limitations of the object-oriented approach, processes that can lead to good design outcomes, graphical and textual representations for design including UML, common problems and some of the patterns that can solve them, and refactoring utilizing modern IDEs. The student develops an ability to read and critique designs, and to clearly present and advocate design ideas.

**CISC 520 Data Engineering and Mining** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: Baccalaureate degree in Computer and Information Sciences with a concentration in Software Engineering and Systems Analysis or the equivalent.

Description: This course addresses the emerging issues in designing, building, managing, and evaluating advanced data-intensive systems and applications. Data engineering is concerned with the role of data in the design, development, management, and utilization of complex computing/information systems. Areas of interest include database design; meta knowledge of the data and its processing; languages to describe data, define access, and manipulate databases; and strategies and mechanisms for data access, security, and integrity control. Data mining is a rapidly growing field that is concerned with developing techniques to assist managers to make intelligent use of these data repositories. A number of successful applications have been reported in areas such as credit rating, fraud detection, database marketing, customer relationship management, and stock market investments. The field of data mining has evolved from the disciplines of statistics and artificial intelligence.

**CISC 525 Big Data Architectures** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: Baccalaureate degree in Computer Information Systems, Computer Sciences, or related field.

Description: Government, academia and industry have spent a great deal of time, effort, and money dealing with increases in the volume, variety, and velocity of collected data. Collection methods, storage facilities, search capabilities, and analytical tools have all needed to adapt to the masses of data now available. Google paved the way for a new paradigm in Big Data, with two seminal white papers describing the Google File System, a distributed file system for massive storage, and MapReduce, a distributed programming framework designed to work on data stored in the distributed file system. This course introduces the student to the concepts of Big Data, and describes the usage of distributed file

systems and MapReduce programming framework to provide skills applicable to developers and the data scientist in any facet of industry.

**CISC 530 Computer Architecture for Software Engineers** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: Baccalaureate degree in Computer and Information Sciences with a concentration in Software Engineering and Systems Analysis or the equivalent.

Description: Modern computer information systems are ever-increasing in complexity and sophistication. As a result, software engineers must be able to make effective decisions regarding the strategic selection, specification, design, and deployment of information systems. Therefore, this course addresses the topics of architectural design that can significantly improve the performance of computer information systems. The course introduces key architectural concepts, techniques, and guidance to software engineers to enable them to make more effective architectural decisions.

**CISC 540 Agile Software Development** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 510 and CISC 520

Description: This course addresses what agile methods are, how they are implemented, and their impact on software engineering. A variety of agile methods are described, including but not limited to: Scrum, Extreme Programming, and Crystal Clear. The concerns associated with planning and controlling agile projects, along with the implications of agile development on the customer-developer dynamic are analyzed.

**CISC 550 Software Engineering in Mobile Computing** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 510 and CISC 520

Description: Recent years have witnessed the advent of wireless mobile and sensor technologies and the proliferation of application scenarios whereby large numbers of pervasive computing devices are connected to a wireless networking infrastructure in an ad hoc manner. The student is shown how to design, implement, and deploy location/context-aware applications that interact with Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) solutions. Topics to be covered include: basic user interfaces, application design, concurrency, and location-aware and other context-aware programming.

**CISC 560 Secure Computer Systems** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: Baccalaureate degree in Computer and Information Sciences with a concentration in Software Engineering and Systems Analysis or the equivalent.

Description: This course focuses on the design principles for secure computer systems. Topics regarding authentication, access control and authorization, discretionary and mandatory security policies, secure kernel design, secure operating systems, and secure databases are covered from a systems architecture perspective. Emphasis is on the design of security measures for critical information infrastructures. Upon completion of this course, the student is able to design, implement, and manage secure computer systems through the design of a security awareness program.

**CISC 570 Advanced Database Security** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 560

Description: This course focuses on topics related to the design and implementation of secure data stores. Emphasis is placed on multi-level security in database systems, covert channels, and security measures for relational and object-oriented database systems. This course teaches how to recognize the insecurities present within common database systems and how these flaws can leave a database wide open to attack. The course covers how hackers discover and exploit vulnerabilities to gain access to a data store.

**CISC 580 Advanced Network Security** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 560

Description: This course covers fundamental concepts, principles, and practical networking and inter-networking topics relevant to the design, analysis, and implementation of enterprise-level trusted networked information systems. Topics include networking and security architectures, techniques, and protocols at the various layers of the internet model. Security problems in distributed application environments are analyzed and solutions discussed and implemented.

**CISC 590 Information Security Project** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 560

Description: This project course serves as a capstone for the specialization in Information Security. The class focuses on techniques for protecting critical information infrastructures through case studies, application development, and systems assessment, while the project's activities encompass research, development and analysis/synthesis for a particular problem or opportunity.

**CISC 600 Scientific Computing I** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: A baccalaureate degree in computer science or a related technical field (e.g. electrical and computer engineering, information science or operations research).

Description: This course provides an overview of scientific computing and covers: Solution of Linear Algebraic Equations, Interpolation and Extrapolation, Integration and Evaluation of Functions, Random Numbers, and Sorting. The course uses C++ programming language as the base language to solve the problem sets. The student may choose to use another programming language as well. The course is conceived as an introduction to the thriving field of numerical simulation for computer scientists, mathematicians, engineers, or natural scientists without an already strong background in numerical methods.

**CISC 601 Scientific Computing II** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 600

Description: Scientific Computing II covers: root finding and nonlinear sets of equations, minimization or maximization of functions, eigensystems, fast Fourier transform, Fourier and spectral applications, statistical description of data, and modeling of data. The course uses C++ programming language as a base language to solve the problem sets, or a student can choose another programming language. The course is intensely practical with fully worked examples and graded exercises.

**CISC 603 Theory of Computation** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 530 and CISC 610

Description: This course contains abstract models of computation and computability theory including formal languages, finite automata, regular expressions, context-free grammars, pushdown automata, Turing machines, primitive recursive and recursive functions, and decidability and un-decidability of computational problems.

**CISC 610 Data Structures and Algorithms** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: A baccalaureate degree in computer science or a related technical field (e.g. electrical and computer engineering, information science, operations research).

Description: This course emphasizes fundamental algorithms and advanced methods of algorithmic design, analysis and implementation. This class covers techniques used to analyze problems and algorithms (including asymptotic, upper/lower bounds, best/average/worst case analysis, amortized analysis, complexity), basic techniques used to design algorithms (including divide and conquer/greedy/dynamic programming/heuristics, choosing appropriate data structures) and important classical algorithms (including sorting, string, matrix, and graph algorithms) and data structures.

**CISC 611 Network Operating Systems** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 530, CISC 600, and CISC 610

Description: This course introduces the principles and implementations of operating systems and networking. The operating system manages hardware resources and provides a simplified interface for programs to use these resources. Networking allows different computers to communicate and potentially act as a larger virtual system. These topics are closely related; networking is often managed by the operating system (and always requires use of the hardware it manages) and the operating system uses the network to provide services like the file system. C++ language is needed to facilitate out study to these topics which provides low-level access to the hardware and is often used in operating systems and networking.

**CISC 612 Elements of Computing Systems** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 611

Description: This course is an integration process of key notions from algorithms, computer architecture, operating systems, compilers, and software engineering into one unified framework. This is done constructively, by building a general-purpose computer system from the ground up. In the process, many ideas and techniques are used in the design of modern hardware and software systems, and discuss major trade-offs and future trends. This is a hands-on course, evolving around building the full set of HW and SW modules including the chip set of simple computer using a simulator, developing the assembler, building part of the virtual machine translator and a simple compiler all the way to a simple programming language and a simple game.

**CISC 614 Computer Simulation** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 601 and CISC 611

Description: This course is about the use of simulation to make better business decisions in application domains from healthcare to mining, heavy manufacturing to supply chains, and everything in between. It is written to help both technical and non-technical users better understand the concepts and usefulness of simulation. The student can use the programming languages of their choice or use an off-the-shelf software to implement their projects.

**CISC 620 Principles of Machine Learning** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 530, CISC 600, and CISC 610

Description: This course introduces the basic idea of machine learning and the application to data from real world problems. Topics include: Classification as a Problem Solving Tool, Similarity Measures and Clustering, The Classification Process, Classification for Sentiment Analysis, Advanced Recommendations, FFT Classifiers, Computer Vision & Pattern Recognition, Dimensionality Reduction, and Big Data & Machine Learning.

**CISC 621 Statistical Pattern Recognition** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 610, equivalent, or permission of the instructor

Description: Statistical pattern recognition techniques are used to design automated systems that improve their own performance through experience. This course covers the methodologies, technologies, and algorithms of statistical pattern recognition from a variety of perspectives. The objective is to provide a reasonable answer for all possible data and to classify input data in to objects or classes based on certain features. After taking the course, the student should have: a clear understanding of the design and construction and a pattern recognition system; major approaches in statistical and syntactic pattern recognition; some exposure to the theoretical issues involved in pattern recognition system design such as the curse of dimensionality and clear working knowledge of implementing pattern recognition techniques.

**CISC 625 Digital Image Processing** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 621, equivalent, or permission of the instructor

Description: This course focuses on explaining and demonstrating the limitations and tradeoffs of various digital image representations, such as computed 3-D images, grayscale versus color, and tools such as wavelet transforms and image compression techniques. Additionally, displaying the ability to manipulate both binary and grayscale digital images using morphological filters and operators to achieve a desired result; showing how higher-level image concepts such as edge detection, segmentation, representation, and object recognition can be implemented and used.

**CISC 661 Principles of Cybersecurity & Cyber Warfare** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: Bachelor of Science degree in Computer and Information Sciences

Description: The course introduces the student to the interdisciplinary field of cybersecurity. Topics include the evolution of information security into cybersecurity and exploring the relationship of cybersecurity to organizations and society. The analyses of the threats and risks to/in these environments are examined. The ultimate goal of this course is for the student to acquire the advanced knowledge required to develop the skills needed to integrate knowledge from this course into a workplace environment.

**CISC 662 Ethical Hacking Development Lab** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 661

Description: This course integrates cyber risk management into day-to-day operations. Additionally, it enables an enterprise to be prepared to respond to the inevitable cyber incident, restore normal operations and ensure that the enterprise assets and the enterprise's reputation are protected. This course focuses the student on a broad range of topics relative to risk-based planning for enterprise cybersecurity. The intent is to focus on creating risk assessment and modeling approaches to solve cybersecurity issues so organizations can build security framework and sustain a healthy security posture. This course analyzes external and internal security threats, failed systems development and system processes and explores their respective risk mitigation solutions through policies, best practices, operational procedures, and government regulations.

**CISC 663 Cyber Risk Assessment and Management** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 661

Description: This course integrates knowledge accumulated from the prerequisites and serves as a capstone for the concentration in Computer Security. Attention is focused on the techniques for protecting critical information infrastructures and the process of identifying the risk to data and information using case studies, application development, and systems assessment.

**CISC 664 Advanced Digital Forensics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 662

Description: Digital Forensics is "the application of computer science and investigative procedures for a legal purpose involving the analysis of digital evidence." Digital forensics encompasses much more than just laptop and desktop computers. Mobile devices, networks, and "cloud" systems are very much within the scope of the discipline. It also includes the analysis of images, videos, and audio (in both analog and digital format). The goal is to provide digital evidence that are obtained (both in direct and indirect ways) from digital media. The course focuses on the analysis of authenticity, comparison, and enhancement as the main vehicle to obtain digital evidences (both in direct and indirect ways) from digital media.

**CISC 665 Biometric Security Systems** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: CISC 662

Description: Biometric security systems is a rapidly evolving field with applications ranging from accessing one's computer to gaining entry into a country. Biometric systems rely on the use of physical or behavioral traits, such as fingerprints, face, voice, and hand geometry, to establish the identity of an



individual. The deployment of large-scale biometric security systems in both commercial and government applications increases the public's awareness of this technology. This rapid growth also highlights the challenges associated with designing and deploying such systems. The core computational component of biometric systems is biometric identification (or recognition), and it is indeed a grand challenge in its own right. The purpose of this course is to expose the student to current biometric identification techniques and systems, teach them to coin their own biometric security applications through capturing human biometric traits, creating unique identifications for them, build classification systems that can identify individuals, and make decisions to maintain security parameters.

**CISC 680 Special Topics in CISC** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course explores a topic or collection of topics of special interest that is timely and in response to critical or emerging topics in the broad field of computer information sciences.

**CISC 699 Applied Project in CISC** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: GRAD 695 and permission of instructor

Description: This course allows the student to pursue an area of interest that is within the broad scope of CISC. A faculty member will supervise this study.

## **GRADUATE STUDIES (GRAD)**

**GRAD 695 Research Methodology and Writing** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: Completion of at least 18 graduate semester hours; must be taken prior to GRAD 699

Description: This course guides the student to develop and finalize a selected research problem and to construct a proposal that effectively establishes the basis for either writing a thesis or launching an experiential capstone project. The course provides an overview of strategies for effective problem investigation and solution proposal. Research methodology is studied and applied as part of suggesting a solution to a problem. Writing and formatting techniques are also explored and applied as a communication tool for cataloging the investigation and recommending the solution.

**GRAD 699 Graduate Thesis** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: GRAD 695 and the permission of instructor

Description: In consultation with the advisor, the student conducts research designed in GRAD 695 to address a problem as identified in the solution proposal.

## **HEALTHCARE INFORMATICS (HCIN)**

**HCIN 500 Healthcare Informatics** (3 semester hours)

Corequisites: ISEM 541 or by permission of instructor

Description: The student is exposed to the full range of healthcare informatics as it is employed in today's workplace. The overall goal of the course is familiarity with the potential contributions of informatics to both health outcomes and business operations so that successful learners return to their workplaces with sufficient knowledge to immediately function more effectively and efficiently.

**HCIN 515 Essential Informatics Skills I** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: The student engages in a that provides a robust set of tools for devising customized potential solutions to a range of Healthcare Information Technology (HIT) implementation challenges facing healthcare systems today. The goal of the course is familiarity with basic techniques and current best practices for the planning, evaluation, implementation, adoption and optimization of healthcare IT systems.

**HCIN 520 Essential Informatics Skills II** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: The student engages in a course that provides a robust set of tools for devising customized potential solutions to a range of Healthcare Information Technology (HIT) implementation challenges facing healthcare systems today. The goal of the course is familiarity with basic techniques and current best practices for the planning, evaluation, implementation, adoption and optimization of healthcare IT systems.

**HCIN 550 Introduction to Healthcare Analytics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: The student is exposed to the wide range of analytics tools and techniques used in today's workplace. The goal of this course is familiarity with the strengths and limitations of these tools so that successful learners return to their workplaces with sufficient knowledge to ask appropriate questions of the available data, choose the appropriate tools and techniques used to analyze the available data, and explain the strengths and weaknesses of any inferences made.

**HCIN 699 Applied Project in HCIN** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: GRAD 695 and permission of instructor

Description: This course allows the student to pursue an area of interest that is within the broad scope of HCIN. A faculty member will supervise this study.

**INFORMATION SYSTEMS ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT (ISEM)****ISEM 500 Strategic Information Systems Planning, Engineering and Management of Enterprises** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course introduces the basic principles (systems thinking and quantitative methods) of systems engineering and shows how these principles can be used to strategically plan, integrate, secure and administer the complex information systems that support and drive the current and future digital enterprises. Topics include: digital enterprises, aligning information technology strategy to business strategy, enterprise applications (customer relations management, procurement, supply chain management), ecommerce, decision support, knowledge management, artificial intelligence (AI) applications, cost/benefit analysis and information technology infrastructure. These topics are explained through case studies and examples by using a strategic planning methodology.

**ISEM 501 Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Principles** (3 semester hours)Prerequisites: None (*This course is designed for the student that does not have a CS or IT background.*)

Description: This course provides the basic background in the rapidly advancing field of information and communication technologies (ICTs). It offers a rigorous overview of the current, as well as emerging, ICT building blocks that enable and drive modern enterprises. The first part of the course introduces the student to the key building blocks (enterprise applications, computing platforms, databases, and networks) of the modern IT infrastructure. The emphasis is on the Internet, broadband wired and wireless networks, classical Web, Semantic Web, XML, Web 2.0, social networking, and mobile computing. The second part of the course introduces the student to the main aspects of software development processes through hands-on projects. Basic software concepts are explored within this context by developing simple web sites using HTML and then using JavaScript, Java applets and XML to introduce more sophisticated features. The student has an opportunity to learn database technologies and run simple database queries using SQL.

**ISEM 502 User-Centered Design** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: A high level of end-user and client involvement is absolutely critical in creating usable and effective software and technology that attracts audiences and/or generates revenue. User-centered design (UCD) describes an approach to business analysis and technology development that demands user interaction and user feedback in all stages of the development lifecycle. The UCD process involves a collection of activities and techniques that can be used to create the more usable, intuitive, and effective technology possible. This course covers the full range of UCD methods and demonstrates the importance of these techniques in designing and building interactive technology, focusing mostly on software applications.

**ISEM 503 Artificial Intelligence Principles and Applications** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 500

Description: Interdisciplinary presentation of artificial intelligence as a coherent body of knowledge to acquaint the student with the key concepts and applications in business, science and engineering. The course covers models of intelligent behavior, including problem solving, knowledge representation, reason, planning, decision making, learning, perception, pattern recognition, action, communication and interaction. Recent developments in knowledge management, expert systems, computer-aided consulting and integrated intelligent systems are covered through a wide range of case studies, examples and hand-on experiments.

**ISEM 520 Service Science, Management and Engineering** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course addresses Service Science, Management and Engineering (SSME) as a growing discipline that integrates aspects of established fields like computer science, operations research, engineering, management sciences, business strategy, social and cognitive sciences, and legal sciences.

**ISEM 521 Life Science for IT Professionals** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course provides an ample spectrum of basic topics such as life science fundamentals, gradually leading to introduction to the interface between automation/IT applications for several fields of such as medicine, diagnostics, medical devices, agriculture, environment, food, pharmaceuticals, and Nanobiotechnology. These topics allow the student to be introduced to an area of specialization in IT support, bioinformatics research or programming applications for the life sciences industry. The course starts with an overview of essential concepts of biological systems and proceeds to the structures and functions cellular macromolecules, particularly nucleic acids and proteins directly involved in storage and retrieval of biological information. After building a sound introduction to the basics of the living system, the course introduces the interface between these basic structures and applications of information technology to a variety of fields of applied life science.

**ISEM 525 Business Process Modeling and Workflow Systems** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 500 or PMGT 510

Description: This course introduces the concepts of business process modeling and workflow systems in modern enterprises. In-depth modeling techniques used to capture business processes, workflows and conceptual information models are covered. Emphasis is placed on business modeling techniques such as the Business Process Modeling Notation (BPMN), business-use case modeling, Entity Relationship (ER) modeling, and other selected techniques from the Unified Modeling Language. The emphasis is on concepts and how these concepts are being used in practice by the most recent tools. The student develops business models to reflect case studies and real-world scenarios.

**ISEM 530 Analysis and Design of Modern Information Systems** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 500

Description: This course prepares the student to analyze business information systems and to build models and logical designs that can be later implemented. The emphasis is on the business processes and business requirements needed to build conceptual models that help in analysis of business requirements. This course prepares the student to design complex systems and build applied designs and architectures.

**ISEM 534 Database Design and Management** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 501 or permission of the instructor. *(This course is designed for the student that does not have a CS or IT background.)*

Description: This course emphasizes the practical aspects of the design and administration of modern Database Management Systems (DBMSs) that host enterprise data. Specific topics include the role of data in modern enterprises and the data life cycle that spans conceptual database design, database query languages such as SQL, database integrity rules, database administration, and data warehouses. This course utilizes commercially available relational DBMSs for hands-on experiments and explore how to create an entity-relationship data model, translate that model into relational schema, build and use a relational database that implements the schema, create SQL queries to retrieve and manipulate needed data, provide access to remote databases from web browsers, and experiment with DBA (Database Administration) capabilities. The student also investigates recent developments in database technologies (e.g. NoSQL). This course prepares the student for database design and administration positions and will also provide the necessary background for more specialized courses in database systems.

**ISEM 536 IT Infrastructure and the Internet** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 501 or permission of the instructor. *(This course is designed for the student that does not have a CS or IT background.)*

Description: This course concentrates on the practical aspects of Internet technologies, architectures and administration. Topics include: IT infrastructure, Internet Service Providers (ISPs), communications network principles, Internet Protocols, IPv4, IPv6, TCP sockets, and Internet of Things (IoT's). Administrative topics are network management, website administration, introduction to network security, wireless technologies and mobile computing. Classroom projects expose the student to network architectures for small to large enterprises. This course prepares the student for network planning administration positions and also provides the necessary background for more specialized courses in communication networks.

**ISEM 539 Enterprise Architecture Frameworks** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 500

Description: This course provides an overview of the common enterprise-wide architectural framework that drives business decisions regarding selection, implementation and management of ICT systems and solutions. In addition, different enterprise architecture frameworks are reviewed and the most commonly used framework – TOGAF (The Open Group Architecture Framework) – is examined in detail. The course topics include supporting and transforming Global Value Chains; e-business designs; creating an enterprise architecture; and the various methodologies, tools and techniques used in the design and implementation of the enterprise architecture. The course encompasses all aspects of information and communications technology, including data networks, applications, operating systems, database systems, telecommunications systems, and hardware components in the context of a total enterprise-wide framework.

**ISEM 540 Enterprise Architecture and Integration** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 500

Description: Modern digital enterprises are characterized by increased automation, mobile services, extended B2B operations with global business partners, and on-demand business services. This course presents a 'systems' perspective based on service oriented architecture (SOA) that combines processes,

people and technologies, and highlights the role of information and communication technologies, enterprise models, and emerging SOA standards to develop flexible and integrated business architectures.

**ISEM 541 Healthcare Systems** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course covers the basic principles, models and approaches of healthcare systems and introduces healthcare administration topics. The focus of the course is not on technologies but instead on the business and management aspects of healthcare. The course introduces the student to a wide range of healthcare topics such as healthcare business processes and business patterns, healthcare business process re-engineering and integration, healthcare clinical systems and services (patient care, physician support systems, health networks), hospital systems, management concerns, and government regulations. In addition, varied approaches and models of healthcare administration at local, national and international levels are discussed.

**ISEM 542 Health Informatics and Information Systems** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 541 and a basic understanding of modern information systems

Description: This course introduces the basic concepts of healthcare information systems and explains the role of information and communication technologies in current and future healthcare systems. The course reviews the role of different players in healthcare: providers, physicians, and insurance companies. Topics covered in healthcare informatics include: health information networks (HINs) at local, regional, national and global levels; information technology systems and applications; standards and interoperability topics; electronic health records (EHR) and EMR; clinical decision support; computer physician order entry (CPOE), and e-prescriptions, privacy and security concerns, financial/administrative systems, and examples of IT infrastructure for healthcare.

**ISEM 543 Digital Health** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 542

Description: This course explains the basic principles of e-Health and m (mobile)-Health through case studies and examples. The student is shown how to effectively develop and administer e-Health systems using web technologies. A wide range of case studies and examples of e-Health systems are used. The course also examines how wireless networks and mobile computing applications are used in healthcare informatics. The student investigates the latest developments in the field and identifies research topics of importance.

**ISEM 544 Social, Technical and Organizational Issues in Digital Health** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 542 and permission of instructor

Description: This course covers a wide range of socio-technical issues in healthcare information technologies. The focus is on the healthcare workplace as a dynamic system in which people, processes and technologies interact and influence each other. The course focuses on the people, processes and technologies related to important areas such as security and privacy, public policies and regulations, medical decision support systems and knowledge management in healthcare, electronic health records (HER), telemedicine systems, wireless sensor networks in healthcare, and others. Case studies and examples are used to highlight practical aspects of socio-technical interactions.

**ISEM 545 Healthcare Data** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 541

Description: This course explores various health care specific code sets, such as diagnosis and procedure codes. The history, how code sets are derived, and their primary and secondary purposes are discussed. Proprietary code sets are also explored, as well as their purpose, and the informational and transactional purposes such codes and data fulfill. The course demonstrates, at a basic level, how codes and data are used to construct informational views which then become the basis for analytics.

**ISEM 550 Information Security Management** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 500

Description: This course covers the technical and administrative aspects of security, privacy and control that are vital to IS management. A comprehensive overview of security and IT control principles and practices that are needed to satisfy the IS systems integrity, confidentiality and availability requirements are addressed. Topics include security awareness, IS Security and Control Practices, IT audit principles and standards, risk analysis, and process-flow analysis for auditing.

**ISEM 551 Web-based Software Engineering** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 501 and knowledge of programming

Description: This course is an introduction to web-based software engineering environments, design patterns, frameworks and key architectural aspects of robust enterprise applications. Topics for software development technologies include development languages and frameworks (e.g., .Net, Java, open-source), various tools used during the development lifecycle, and key components of an application in terms of the data, process and presentation layers. Architectural topics include prevalent design patterns such as model-view-controller (MVC), Web Services, and service-oriented architecture (SOA). The student uses computer-aided software engineering (CASE) environments and develops software architectures of real life enterprise applications. *This course is cross-listed with ITPM 551.*

**ISEM 555 Mobile Computing and Wireless Communications** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 500

Description: This course provides a management overview of wireless networking and mobile computing with a key focus on the building blocks and their inter-relationships.

**ISEM 560 eGovernment and eCommerce** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 500

Description: eGovernment and eCommerce (EG/EC) are changing the landscape of business. This course introduces the basic building blocks of EG/EC with an emphasis on strategies and applications and a brief discussion of the enabling technologies. The course provides a review of EC models and applications such as online purchasing, customer relationship management, electronic marketplaces, application service providers, supply chains, enterprise resource planning, and enterprise portals.

**ISEM 561 Public Administration** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: MGMT 511

Description: This course introduces the concepts of public administration with emphasis on key building blocks such as business processes, leadership, personnel management, budgeting, law enforcement and social welfare. The objective is to examine how public sector organizations work and how administrators can operate in such environments. The course covers the most important functions and processes of government agencies and non-profit organizations. The leadership strategies for increased public sector effectiveness through the typical management processes of planning, organizing, monitoring, control and governance are discussed. The sources of public and non-profit revenue and expenditures are examined in the context of budget management. The topics of law enforcement management with public and non-profit managers are briefly reviewed with an emphasis on human resource accounting and personnel management. Public administrators are invited as guest speakers for local and global perspectives on these topics and to compare/contrast public agencies with their private sector counterparts.

**ISEM 562 Public Policy** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: MGMT 511

Description: This course gives an overview of the broad field of public policy and examines the key concepts, theories and practical operational methods of public policy. The course presents with an examination of the core concepts in the formulation, implementation, and impact of public policy and covers the role of administrative law in the formulation, implementation and evaluation of public policy.

The ethical arguments inherent in public policy decisions and compliance with legislated ethical standards are examined. The policies, politics and administrative activities of federal, state, and local levels are considered. The interaction of the public sector, the private sector, and citizen groups in the implementation of environmental policy is discussed and the role of planning process as a decision-making tool in the implementation of public policy is examined. The course uses a wide range of national and international policy examples in areas such as housing and community development, social welfare, employment programs, transportation, the internet and telecommunications.

**ISEM 564 Big Data Applications** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 501 or ISEM 534, or permission of instructor

Description: This course introduces the main concepts of big data with focus on applications of big data and data sciences in business settings. The student explores several Open Big Data (OBD) sources and investigates applications of OBD in health, education, public safety, public welfare and other vital sectors. Through hands-on experiments, the student develops a significant understanding of data science and practical applications of big data. Some tools used by practitioners of data science and analytics are introduced but sophisticated mathematical or programming background is not required.

**ISEM 565 Business Intelligence and Decision Support Systems** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 500

Description: Modern “electronically enabled” enterprises rely increasingly on knowledge that needs to be managed and processed through a variety of intelligent tools. This course covers business intelligence and knowledge management in modern enterprises and discusses how the decision support and expert systems tools can be used for effective decision making in organizations.

**ISEM 568 Aligning Business Strategy with IT Strategy** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 500

Description: This course discusses how the information technology (IT) strategy can be aligned with business strategy to compete and become successful. The focus is on the major elements of the business and IT strategic management models and their inter-relationships. Different alignment models such as the Henderson-Venkataraman model are discussed in detail through case studies.

**ISEM 570 IT Quality Assurance**

Prerequisites: ISEM 500 or permission of the instructor

Description: The information technology product is central to most business systems. Quality of the product is represented by accuracy, reliability, repeatability and specific customer requirement standards. Various techniques to understand the quality control processes and quality assurance measures are demonstrated and industry standards and protocols are covered.

**ISEM 572 Smart Enterprises and Strategic Intelligence** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ISEM 565 or ANLY 500

Description: This course addresses advances in research, technologies, systems, and applications as related to “strategic intelligence.” Strategic intelligence (SI) refers to the intersection of Business Intelligence, Knowledge Management, and Competitive Intelligence for improving the strategic decision making in Smart Enterprises. Instead of intelligence on one topic area, smart enterprises need strategic intelligence that covers multiple topic areas. This course discusses methodologies, trends, challenges, and applications as related to knowledge management, intelligent systems, automated planning and scheduling systems, analytics, and Big Data.

**ISEM 580 Special Topics in ISEM** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course explores a topic or collection of topics of special interest that is timely and in response to critical or emerging topics in the broad field of information systems engineering and management.

**ISEM 581 Directed Study** (variable credit)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course is designed for the student who demonstrates an interest in an area of study not offered or who wishes to pursue a discipline in greater depth than possible through existing courses. A learning contract between the student and instructor defines the responsibilities of the parties and specifies the learning objectives and standards for successful completion of the project. A calendar of meeting times and deadlines shall be a part of that contract.

**ISEM 699 Applied Project in ISEM** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: GRAD 695 and permission of instructor

Description: This course allows the student to pursue an area of interest that is within the broad scope of ISEM. A faculty member will supervise this study.

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT MANAGEMENT (ITPM)****ITPM 515 Business and Requirements Analysis Fundamentals** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course is designed to help the student prepare for a career in management, building on their technical and professional background and education. The field of business analysis is a fast growing profession that offers a global certification. Business analysis is a key function on a project team that promotes understanding of what the customers want the project team to build for them; it is essential to project success. Through the use of real life project examples, the student gains expertise in planning, eliciting, writing, and managing customer requirements for IT and other types of projects.

**ITPM 525 Business Process Modeling Techniques** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: PMGT 510

Description: This course introduces the concepts of business process modeling and workflow systems in modern enterprises. The student is shown in-depth modeling techniques used to capture business processes, workflows and conceptual information models. Emphasis is placed on business modeling techniques such as the Business Process Modeling Notation (BPMN), business-use case modeling, Entity Relationship (ER) modeling, as well as other selected techniques from the Unified Modeling Language. The student develops business models to reflect case studies and real-world scenarios.

**ITPM 531 System Development Lifecycle Introduction** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: The student is introduced to essential topics related to software development methodologies and practices. Key topics include methodology concepts and a history/evolution of methodology practices. The various types of methodologies (e.g. waterfall, iterative, agile) are covered. The course addresses the Unified Process in detail – covering the various phases and disciplines. Additionally, the course includes some special topic areas to explain the relationship between a software development methodology and other frameworks and management methodologies such as Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK) and Capability Maturity Model Integration (CMMI).



**ITPM 535 Advanced Topics in Business Analysis** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course focuses on selected and timely advanced areas within the Business Analysis discipline. Topics examined in-depth include enterprise analysis activities (e.g. business architecture, portfolio management, feasibility and alternative analysis), requirements validation and verification techniques (requirements walkthroughs, system and acceptance testing), and requirements management approaches for various SDLC approaches (e.g. Waterfall, Agile, COTS etc.). Other topics are considered based upon changing conditions within the business analysis discipline.

**ITPM 550 Managing System Integration Projects** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: PMGT 510

Description: This course introduces the student to Systems Integration Projects as a class of IT projects and methods that can be used to manage, control, and execute them effectively. It explores the uniqueness of these projects - specifically the concerns that scale can bring to managing them. The PMI Integration processes provide a basis for the studies in this course. The student examines different aspects of system integration projects (e.g., vertical integrations, horizontal integration, business process integration, enterprise application integration, network integration) and investigates the role of service-oriented architecture (SOA) in modern integration projects.

**ITPM 551 Survey of Software Development Technologies & Architectures** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: ITPM 531

Description: The student is introduced to various technologies encountered within software development projects, lifecycles, and key architectural aspects of robust enterprise applications. Topics for software development technologies include development languages and frameworks (e.g., .net and Java), various tools used during the development lifecycle, and key components of an application such as the data layer and User Interface. Architectural topics include prevalent patterns such as model-view-controller (MVC) and service-oriented architecture (SOA). The student completes an architectural specification for a project. *This course is cross-listed with ISEM 551.*

**ITPM 580 Special Topics in IT Project Management** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course explores a topic of special interest that is timely and in response to a critical topic in the field of technology project management.

**LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES (LTMS)****LTMS 500 Macro Instructional Design** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course focuses on the use of an instructional design process to improve learning outcomes, with an emphasis on the analysis components of instructional design that create a foundation for successful learning solutions. The course explores tools and techniques for analysis, design, development, delivery and evaluation and addresses strategies that can be enhanced by technology integration. The goal of the course is to establish a systematic process for designing instruction and explores trends and technology integration opportunities throughout the process.

**LTMS 501 Active Learning Planning** (1 semester hour)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course focuses on the research and evidence that supports the role of movement in learning, memory, attention and concentration. A course participant creates an active learning intervention plan for the school setting, which is reviewed by experts in the field. Upon completion, the student receives the Active Learning Specialist certificate. This course is delivered in an online,

asynchronous format with new cohorts of students starting the online course each semester with a one-month rolling start date. Course completion takes approximately 30 hours over 5 to 10 weeks. Thirty (30) hours of asynchronous contact time equates to 15 hours of standard contact hours or 1 graduate semester hour. *This course is intended for current teachers, pre service teachers, administrators, athletic coaches, nutrition experts, and parents serving on a school board.*

**LTMS 510 Learning Technologies and Solutions** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course presents an overview of multiple technology-based solutions to realize learning outcomes. Beyond a survey of learning software, the course challenges the student to think broadly about emerging technology trends that present opportunities. By establishing a systematic decision analysis process, the student is able to assess suitable technology tools for specific environments and learning needs. A broad survey of open source and proprietary solutions are explored, as well as emerging trends in learning technologies. Course topics are examined within a framework of a learning strategy and a learning architecture.

**LTMS 511 Creating the Flipped Classroom** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course focuses on designing lessons, creating screencasts and assessing learning in a flipped classroom or blended learning classroom model. The student plans, organizes, develops, and administers screencasted lessons for distribution on a course management system (CMS) or website. Authoring tools are also introduced and utilized to produce eLearning modules with the embedded assessments. This course is for the teacher or business professional who wants to learn the basics of delivering instruction in a flipped classroom model.

**LTMS 514 Media Selection, Design and Production** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course focuses on creating media for learning solutions. Selecting appropriate media to meet learning objectives are explored as the student creates graphics, illustrations, audio, video, and animations to support learning. Graphic design fundamentals are addressed, in addition to production skills like media compression and conversion. Industry leading media software and open source options are considered.

**LTMS 518 eLearning Development** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course presents content creation software that can be used for eLearning. The student creates eLearning modules that focus on navigation, usability and compliance to content standards. Planning and asset management are also explored as elements of efficient eLearning development. Industry leading software and open source options are considered.

**LTMS 520 Learning Evaluation and Assessment** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500

Description: This course focuses on measuring multi-modal learning and performance with an emphasis on the use of technology as an evaluation and assessment tool. Course evaluation and learner performance are both explored as formative and summative assessment, authentic assessment, subjective and objective assessment, criterion-referenced and norm-referenced assessment, formal and informal assessment, testing and evaluation standards, analytics and metrics, the importance of validity and reliability, and the use of technology in the evaluation and assessment process.

**LTMS 525 Learning Theories and Instructional Strategies** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course is an in-depth exploration of learning theories including, but not limited to, behavioral modeling, cognitive processing, metacognition, motivation, social learning, constructivism and connectivism. Culture and learning, brain research and the integration of technology to support learning theories are also explored. Theories and practices are examined within the context of creating instructional strategies as part of learning design with a focus on technology-supported learning solutions.

**LTMS 530 Managing Technology Resources** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 510

Description: New technologies are changing instruction and placing new demands on technology professionals that support learning technologies. This course addresses the challenge of providing access to educational technologies while balancing security and resources in learning environments. The course establishes strategies for assessing, planning, implementing, supporting and governing learning technologies with a focus on maximizing the instructional value of technology investments.

**LTMS 531 Designing Serious Games and Simulations** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500

Description: This course focuses on applying game and simulation design strategies to increase context, motivation, engagement and learning outcomes. Character development, narrative, user interface, game play, game balancing, principles of level design and feedback in games and simulations are applied as the student designs a game or simulation to achieve a learning goal. The differences and similarities between game and simulation concepts, genres and worlds are examined, in addition to game and simulation intricacies for specific groups and game production and management.

**LTMS 532 Developing Serious Games and Simulations** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 514 and LTMS 531

Description: This course presents tools and techniques for developing serious games and simulations. Programming and scripting languages, simulation systems, programming fundamentals, game architecture, navigation, usability, feedback, data management, artificial intelligence, media programming and developing for multiplayer environments are explored as the student develops the design from the "Designing Serious Games & Simulations" course. Game production and management with a focus on the game development phase are also discussed.

**LTMS 533 3-D Modeling and Design** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 514

Description: This course develops skills in computer-generated 3D modeling and design with a focus on basic 3D concepts, animation concepts and physics, scene management, modeling, mesh, materials and mapping. A focus is given to lighting, physics, and particle emitters as part of object development and animation. 3D rendering options and preferences are also examined. A discussion of 3D production and management requirements is also explored.

**LTMS 534 Development for Virtual Worlds** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 531 and LTMS 533

Description: The course focuses on building engaging, interactive and collaborative experiences in a distributed virtual world environment. Building objects, advanced building techniques, object editing, texturing and lighting, clothing and accessories, animation, filming, scripting and terraforming are explored as virtual world development skills. User experience topics like performance lag, accessibility and interface design are addressed. Virtual world production and management requirements are also explored.

**LTMS 535 Critical Issues in Biology Education** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500 and LTMS 510

Description: This course addresses topics in biology education that combine current priorities in science and the need of the society. Topics such as biological knowledge, scientific methods, and career awareness are covered. This course also surveys the biology education landscape to identify topics in K-12, postsecondary and professional biology education that are impacting interest and achievement in STEM education and how interactive learning experiences such as games and simulations can address the student motivation and cognition challenges for improved learning outcomes.

**LTMS 536 Applied eHealth Communication** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500 and LTMS 525

Description: This course focuses on developing a foundational knowledge of theory-based methods in health communication and the application of those methods to creating health communication products that influence awareness, knowledge, attitude, and behavior within a target audience. The course examines successful case studies in health communication and the stages of health communication product development (audience assessment, product planning, development, testing, revision, and implementation) as they apply to eHealth Communication.

**LTMS 537 Rapid eLearning** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500, LTMS 514 and LTMS 518

Description: This course focuses on techniques for designing and developing learning solutions in a reduced time frame. The need to rapidly create learning solutions increases as information, expectations and requirements change quickly in a technology-based, global marketplace. Strategies for reducing the instructional design timeframe and reducing the need for development resources are explored.

**LTMS 538 Critical Issues in Instructional Design** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500 and LTMS 510

Description: This course looks at the field of instructional design, including opportunities to advance the field and develop skills in areas of emerging need. The industry-related opportunities and challenges of instructional design commonalities and disparities in various learning environments are also explored.

**LTMS 539 Using Virtual Worlds for Learning and Collaboration** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course focuses on promoting active learning, impacting learner engagement and improving learning outcomes through distributed learning in a virtual world environment. Concepts are explored throughout the course as the student explores and evaluates virtual world environments. The course promotes active learning solutions based on proven design and development trends and research-based practices for engagement, learning and collaboration using virtual worlds.

**LTMS 540 The Instructional Designer as Entrepreneur** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: completion of 15 graduate-level credits

This course focuses on the evolution of the profession of instructional designer from one customarily employed by a corporation to one where the instructional designer is most frequently an independent contractor. The focus is on the effect this has on the required skillset and mindset of the designer. The course explores tools and techniques for finding work, evaluating requests for proposals, writing proposals, meeting with selection teams, and building strategies that can be enhanced by technology integration. The goal of the course is to establish a systematic process for designing the workflows, processes, and skillsets needed to build an instructional design consultancy.

**LTMS 541 Using Mobile Devices for Learning** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course focuses on promoting active learning, impacting learner engagement, improving access and improving learning outcomes through the use of mobile devices. As mobile devices become more abundant, their use as a learning tool is increasing. Mobile learning can increase engagement, enhance access, support differentiated instruction and provide alternate assessment opportunities. Mobile learning opportunities, design considerations, development tools and implementation challenges are explored.

**LTMS 542 Classroom Technology** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: Interactive whiteboards, student response systems, mobile devices and other systems for supporting and extending classroom-based learning solutions are explored. Classroom technologies can be used to engage learners, enable formative assessment, capture the learning environment and promote higher level learning in today's classroom. The student designs a learning solution delivered through the use of classroom technology. Open-source and industry leading hardware and software options are both considered.

**LTMS 543 Interactive Media Management** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: Background in interactive media

Description: This course explores the management of interactive media in the modern industry environment. It is designed to give the student an understanding of the factors that influence the structures, policies, programming, and management practices of various interactive media projects. The objective is to integrate relevant social, organizational and political topics related to interactive media management and programming decisions. Topics include a management perspective on the practice of digital video production, including nonlinear editing, graphics creation, multi-channel audio mixing, and streaming video. Special attention is paid to the study of laws and regulations as they pertain to media operations and the internal and external codes that guide media behavior. Discussions include: media ownership and operation, including monopoly and competition, labor relations, industry trends and market relations.

**LTMS 544 Critical Issues in Teaching Mathematics** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500 and LTMS 510

Description: This course explores the integration of learning technologies into a math curriculum. Emerging opportunities in learning technologies for active learning, applied math, data visualization, media solutions and assessment are investigated. Promoting math careers and supporting professional development through the use of learning technologies are also explored.

**LTMS 580 Special Topics in LTMS** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course explores a topic of current interest in the field of learning technology.

**LTMS 598 Critical Issues in Teaching Science** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500 and LTMS 510

Description: This course explores the integration of learning technologies into a science curriculum. Emerging opportunities in learning technologies for active learning, virtual labs, data visualization, media solutions and assessment are investigated. Promoting science careers and supporting professional development through the use of learning technologies are also explored.

**LTMS 599 Critical Issues in Teaching Technology** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500 and LTMS 510

Description: This course explores the integration of learning technologies into a technology curriculum. Emerging opportunities in learning technologies for active learning, virtual computer labs, media solutions and assessment are investigated. Promoting technology careers and supporting professional development through the use of learning technologies are also explored.

**LTMS 600 Implementing Web 2.0 in the Classroom** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course enables exploration and practice with “Web 2.0” learning technologies and investigates how the integration of these technologies in the classroom can impact teaching and classroom dynamics. A variety of tools for managing information, creating content and collaborating for learning are explored. Within a peer learning model, the student designs, implements and evaluates a classroom activity that incorporates one or more Web 2.0 tools.

**LTMS 602 Technology Evaluation and Selection** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 510

Description: Effectively evaluating and selecting the right technology solution (software, hardware, and services) for myriad complex situations is a necessary skill in the development and management of learning technology projects and initiatives. This course explores the request for proposal (RFP) process for evaluation and selection including evaluating the needs and internal processes of the organization along with writing an RFP. Keys to the successful implementation of new technologies and solutions are also explored.

**LTMS 603 Engaging with Learning Activities, Games and Simulations** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course focuses on promoting active learning, impacting learning engagement and improving learning outcomes with technology-based activities, games and simulations. Concepts are applied throughout the course as the student designs engaging learning experiences using current techniques and technologies. The course promotes active learning solutions based on proven design and development trends and research-based practices in engagement, game and simulation concepts.

**LTMS 607 Writing for Learning Solutions** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course addresses writing styles, formats and techniques for asynchronous learning solutions. Best practices for technical writing and writing for the web are explored. Storytelling as an instructional strategy is emphasized throughout the course and is examined as an important element for successful learning design.

**LTMS 608 Course Management Systems** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course addresses the integral role that the course management system (CMS) plays in today's classroom, online instruction, and blended learning environments. As systems advance and become more affordable, educators and learners are embracing the CMS as the hub of educational coordination and activity. The student creates a learning solution that uses a CMS to implement advanced pedagogical approaches to help the student achieve a higher level of learning. Open source and industry leading software options are both considered.

**LTMS 609 Synchronous Facilitation** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500

Description: This course is an in-depth discovery of planning, producing and facilitating synchronous face-to-face and online communication and learning events. Classroom facilitation techniques are

examined, in comparison and support of developing online facilitation skills. Creating audience engagement with effective content development, media and interactive elements in an online synchronous session are addressed. The producer's role in facilitator and participant preparation, technology validation, logistics, in-session troubleshooting and post-session follow-up is also examined. Industry leading web conferencing and virtual classroom software and open source options are both considered.

**LTMS 610 Learning Technologies Project (3 – 6 semester hours)**

Prerequisites: None

Description: The student creates and executes a detailed project plan to use as part of a real-world project that applies concepts and skills previously explored throughout the program. The student's project is customized to a particular area of interest in learning technologies. This experiential course also provides an opportunity to reinforce and demonstrate the eight University competencies, i.e., critical thinking, communication, teamwork and collaboration, entrepreneurship, information literacy, ethical decision making, global awareness, and civic engagement.

**LTMS 611 Extensible Languages for Development (3 semester hours)**

Prerequisites: LTMS 518

Description: This course addresses the need to extend visual authoring and editing tools with scripting and programming to achieve advanced features. Proprietary languages are used along with program, platform and device independent languages to create dynamic data display and advanced interactions. Web-based, Windows OS and mobile device environments are considered.

**LTMS 612 Integrating Learning Technologies with Human Resource Functions (3 semester hours)** Prerequisites: LTMS 500 and LTMS 510

Description: This course investigates the benefits of and opportunities for integrating learning technologies into talent management activities like hiring, onboarding, knowledge management and competency-based employee evaluation and development. Compliance throughout the organization and training employees to utilize human resource tools are explored, as will integrating learning technologies with human resource information systems (HRIS) and enterprise resource planning (ERP) tools.

**LTMS 613 Data Protection in Learning Solutions (3 semester hours)**

Prerequisites: LTMS 500 and LTMS 510

Description: This course explores general privacy and security needs to ensure data protection in learning solutions in addition to specific requirements based on federal, state and industry regulations. Records and information management, export compliance and safe harbor/international trade agreements are also considered in the context of a global audience. Security and privacy strategies for media, access and reporting are examined, as well as developing contingency plans for security and privacy breaches.

**LTMS 614 Social Learning in the Organization (3 semester hours)**

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course explores the use of social learning and communication in organizations, the software tools used to enable online social interaction and the challenges of organizational implementation. Social learning technologies enable conversations, content creation, connections and collaboration in the organization. When socially-enabled, these activities can increase productivity, deliver knowledge at the time of need and address time and location challenges that exist in today's organizations. The student identifies a learning or communication opportunity to create a solution using social learning technologies. Open source and industry leading hardware and software options are both considered.

**LTMS 615 Coordinating the Learning Technology Infrastructure** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 530

Description: This course focuses on identifying, selecting, installing and maintaining a technology infrastructure to support technology-enabled learning solutions. Administrative and educational technology needs along with the need for assistive technology resources to support learners with special needs are specifically addressed within the examination of the overall infrastructure.

**LTMS 616 Authoring Medical Mannequin Simulations** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course focuses on creating highly realistic patient simulation training experiences by organizing pre-programmed scenarios, programming custom events, using event handlers to create automatic responses and using trending to create dynamic simulations in a medical mannequin authoring system.

**LTMS 617 Performance Evaluation for Medical Mannequin Simulations** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course is a study of debriefing strategies to evaluate performance and enhance learning in medical mannequin simulations. The use of a video debriefing system with synchronized recordings and comment logs is combined with questioning, facilitation and collaboration techniques to increase the effectiveness of medical mannequin simulations.

**LTMS 618 Accessibility Software and Devices** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500

Description: This course is a study of software and hardware devices that are used to address accessibility requirements. Design fundamentals, built-in accessibility development functions, scripting solutions, accessibility devices and alternative delivery methods are explored in the context of achieving compliance with the 1998 amendment to Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 requiring electronic and information technology accessibility by government and government-subsidized organizations for persons with disabilities.

**LTMS 619 Enterprise Applications for eLearning** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 518 and 611

Description: This course explores the options available for eLearning design, development and implementation with existing enterprise applications and systems. Leveraging existing enterprise resource planning, asset management, communication and collaboration systems as resources for creating and managing learning solutions can decrease costs and create cross-functional process and technology synergies. The enterprise application landscape, as it applies to the design, development and management of eLearning, is examined within the context of creating an eLearning solution. Industry leading software and open source options are both considered.

**LTMS 625 Learning Management and Learning Content Management Systems**

(3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500 and LTMS 518

Description: The course explores the evolving role and nature of learning management (LMS) and learning content management systems (LCMS) to support learning in organizations. The Shared Content Object Reference Model (SCORM), Content Object Repository Discovery and Registration/Resolution Architecture (CORDRA) and the Aviation Industry CBT (Computer-Based Training) Committee (AICC) standards are examined and applied as part of designing and creating learning objects that can be incorporated into an LCMS and administered by an LMS. Industry leading software and open source software are both examined.



**LTMS 635 eLearning Authoring Systems** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 500 and LTMS 518

Description: Systems built for asynchronous eLearning development are explored in a hands-on environment. The storyboarding, content management, asset management and team communication elements of eLearning authoring systems are also examined, within the context of analyzing the systems' abilities to enhance the instructional design process in a team environment.

**LTMS 636 Micro Instructional Design** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 510, LTMS 514, LTMS 518, LTMS 520, and LTMS 525

Description: An in-depth exploration of instructional design strategies and techniques are explored in a project-based group environment. Selecting media, identifying learning objectives, writing assessment instruments and creating a detailed instructional plan are examined as part of the complete design and development of a learning solution.

**LTMS 645 Visual Representation for Learning and Communication** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 514

Description: This course explores the benefits of visually representing ideas, concepts and processes to improve the results of learning and communication. The history of visualization for learning and communication, along with the current research and trends in using visuals to improve learning and communication, are explored. Techniques and technologies for brainstorming, mind mapping, creating instructional and curricular design, thinking creatively, planning, creating visuals and delivering visual learning and communication are applied in individual and group projects throughout the course.

**LTMS 680 Advanced eLearning Development** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: LTMS 611, LTMS 619, LTMS 625, and LTMS 635

Description: An in-depth exploration of advanced eLearning application development is explored in a project-based group environment. Interactivity, personalization, data flow and management and system integration are examined as part of developing an advanced eLearning application.

**LTMS 697 LTMS ePortfolio** (0 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: LTMS 698

Description: A graduate student pursuing the Pennsylvania Department of Education Instructional Technology Specialist (ITS) K-12 instructional certificate is required to create an ePortfolio. The ePortfolio presents the student's knowledge and performance in the competencies required by the ITS guidelines.

**LTMS 698 Learning Technologies Internship** (1-6 semester hours)

Prerequisites: GRAD 695 and permission of advisor

Description: The student conducts learning technology-related activities at an organization to apply concepts and skills previously explored throughout the program. This experiential course also provides an opportunity to demonstrate and further develop the eight University competencies, i.e., critical thinking, communication, teamwork and collaboration, entrepreneurship, information literacy, ethical decision making, global awareness, and civic engagement.

**LTMS 699 Applied Project in LTMS** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: GRAD 695 and permission of advisor

Description: This course allows the student to pursue an area of interest that is within the broad scope of learning technologies. A faculty member supervises this study.

## MANAGEMENT (MGMT)

### **MGMT 510 Business Strategy and Management Principles** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course introduces the basic concepts of business strategy and management principles of planning, organizing, staffing, developing, and monitoring/control. The context is global markets and their impact on business strategies and managerial processes. The course explores the best practices in global strategic management, organizational design, human resource processes, and organizational behavior.

### **MGMT 511 Digital and Global Enterprises** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: MGMT 510

Description: Modern enterprises are globally dispersed organizations where nearly all significant business processes and relationships with customers, suppliers, and employees are digitally-enabled and key corporate assets are managed through digital means. Such organizations merge the concepts traditionally discussed in ecommerce, ebusiness and egovernment. This course introduces the organizational and operational aspects of such organizations and highlights the role of managing such organizations. Topics include organizational structure and design, learning and agile organizations, and operational concerns such as management of supply chains and B2B trade at a global level.

### **MGMT 512 Marketing Principles and Applications** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: MGMT 510

Description: This course introduces the student to the most recent and relevant thinking in marketing in the competitive global marketplace. The student is provided with analytical tools to understand and synthesize the most current applications of theories and concepts in marketing. The student is shown how to design strategic planning for competitive advantage in the marketplace and is encouraged to explore the essence of marketing environment and the global vision for business marketing.

### **MGMT 513 Accounting Principles and Applications** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: MGMT 510

Description: This course explores the basic financial and managerial accounting competencies needed to manage a business or product line. The accounting concepts are introduced with a discussion of how general purpose financial statements reflect the business corporations' performance and position for readers external to management.

### **MGMT 520 Professional Communication** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course provides training in business writing, interpersonal communication and oral communication to prepare the student to be a more effective professional communicator. The student works on projects in the classroom that offer practical applications of concepts covered in the textbook, including case study examples of poorly executed business communication that the student revises and improves. The student also writes a proposal and a report, and prepares a plan to manage a project team kickoff meeting.

### **MGMT 531 Business Entrepreneurship Principles** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: MGMT 510

Description: This course is designed for the student and working professional with interest in owning, or participating in, a successful business startup. The course focuses on the principles that are essential to forming a successful startup company, and the role of innovation in entrepreneurship.

**MGMT 532 Business Entrepreneurship Management** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: MGMT 531

Description: This course focuses on the management and planning processes needed for sustained growth of a startup company. Specifically, the course goes beyond the initial idea formulation stages and provides hands-on experience in developing a business plan for a startup. Emphasis is placed on innovation and the management of opportunities rather than to concentrate on the efficient management of ongoing operations. The course is organized around the following themes: management systems for innovative companies, short- and long range planning in owner-managed businesses, measuring economic performance and obtaining information for management decision making, legal and human resource issues, and entrepreneurship and managing growing companies.

**MGMT 533 Business and Entrepreneurial Financing** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: MGMT 531

Description: This course introduces the student to the fundamentals of business financing with emphasis on financing for entrepreneurship. The course covers topics such as financial theory, risk assessment, and financial reporting systems in modern business settings. Special attention is paid to financing the startups with different options from venture capitals, angels and banks.

**MGMT 560 Organizational Leadership** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: MGMT 520

Description: Successful project managers are adept at leading. Leadership, however, is a complex undertaking that requires knowledge and understanding of a number of competencies. This course builds these competencies. Focusing on organizational leadership, the course explores and develops skills and knowledge needed to lead organizational transformation and change, negotiate conflict resolution, build relationships and human capital, and instill business ethics and professional codes of conduct.

**MGMT 580 Special Topics in MGMT** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course explores a topic of current interest in the field of management.

**MATHEMATICS (MATH)****MATH 510 Applied Statistical Methods** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This is an applied statistics course with probability theory being presented but applicable statistics is emphasized. The course covers the statistical methods and models that practitioners require for use in their professions and is an applied course in regression, analysis of variance, and linear models which includes experience with the SAS statistical software package. Topics include descriptive statistics/data summaries, inference in simple and multiple linear regression, residual analysis, estimation and testing of hypothesis, transformations, polynomial regressions, model building with real data, nonlinear regression and linear models. This course is not mathematically advanced, but covers a large volume of material.

**PROJECT MANAGEMENT (PMGT)****PMGT 510 Principles of Project Management** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course introduces the student to the variety of skills and roles of the project manager. The student is introduced to the techniques of project management from setting goals and objectives through managing the selection of support products and procurement.

**PMGT 515 Business and Requirements Analysis Fundamentals** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course is designed to familiarize the student with common tasks performed by business analysis during the project lifecycle to increase the chances of project success and customer satisfaction. Through the use of real life project examples, the student gains expertise in planning the requirements activity and eliciting, writing, prioritizing, validating and managing customer requirements for IT and other types of projects.

**PMGT 530 Procurement, Contracts, and Risk Management** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: PMGT 510

Description: The student achieves expertise in managing project risks and conducting project procurement that will help them succeed in the workplace. Through the use of real life project examples and scenarios, the student is shown how to reduce negative risk exposure in projects by using effective risk management practices. The student also will be shown how to plan a procurement, understand different procurement methods and types of contracts, find a vendor and write a Request for Proposal to apply these concepts to actual projects.

**PMGT 540 Planning and Executing Projects** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: PMGT 510

Description: This course uses Microsoft Project software to schedule and control projects. The student is introduced to, and practices with, the most widely-used project management software system available. Functions, monitoring alternative usages and maintaining data are developed as the student builds a project from the ground up. This is a comprehensive, semester-long project budgeting, scheduling and control course where practiced theory is the platform for learning.

**PMGT 570 Agile Project Management with Scrum Methodology** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course provides to the student the features, benefits, and practices of using Agile Project Management with Scrum Methodology and that this approach differs from traditional project management at the project level and enterprise level.

**PMGT 572 Agile Scrum Applied Projects** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: PMGT 570

Description: This course provides the student with hands on experiential learning using Agile Scrum as a member of a team. The team develops a vision statement and user stories for a real application. The team then implements the product that is specified using Agile Scrum Framework and all of the standard Agile Scrum ceremonies such as Product Backlog, Sprints, Sprint Planning, Release Planning, Daily Standups, Sprint Review, and Sprint Retrospectives. Team members play the actual roles of Product Owner, ScrumMaster, Developers, Testers, etc. The course produces an actual working viable product that can be demonstrated to stakeholders. The team consists of a mix of graduate students from Project Management, ISEM, Computer Science, Analytics, and Learning Technologies.

**PMGT 574 Agile Lean Product Development** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This level course provides the student with key strategies in agile lean product development that will help the student streamline new product development processes that will decrease time-to-market, reduce waste, enhance product quality, and fully integrate new product designs into a lean production environment. This course uses principles rooted in the iconic Toyota Production system.

**PMGT 576 Agile Lean Transformational Leadership** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: PMGT 572, PMGT 574

Description: This course provides the student with innovative practices that need to be followed in order to transform a company or organization from a traditional waterfall mindset to more of an Agile Lean mindset and culture. Agile Lean Change management (not the typical change management talked about in project management relative to scope, budget, etc.) and Lean IT are two methods that are being used successfully in the industry to move organizations from a more traditional mindset to Agile. Both of these methods rely significantly on the leaders in the organizations to facilitate the change. In conjunction with this course, the student learns the responsibilities and techniques of the Agile Coach role, which has become a key role in the industry to facilitate change. The student studies change resistance, change adoption, change planning tools, transformation frameworks, and methods for leading change from any level in an organization.

**PMGT 580 Project Management Offices** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: PMGT 540, PMGT 530

Description: This course provides the student an overview of the types of Project Management Office (PMO) structures, the key elements of each, and the key aspects of how to initiate and sustain a business-centered and value-driven PMO.

**PMGT 697 PMP/CAPM Exam Preparation** (0 semester hours)

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course exposes the student and the practicing project manager to the Project Management Body of Knowledge processes and standards, which prepares the student to take the PMP or CAPM certification exam. The student must take the PMP or CAPM exam and submit proof of a successful exam score.

**PMGT 699 Applied Project in Project Management** (3 semester hours)

Prerequisites: GRAD 695 and permission of instructor

Description: This course allows the student to pursue an area of interest that is within the broad scope of project management. A faculty member supervises this study.

## **PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Professional and Continuing Education is responsible for all contracted training, non-credit certificates, and professional development offerings for employers and working professionals. The professional development offerings through Harrisburg University provide specific and advanced skills training and certificates within the University's mission of science and technology.

The University works with various organizations to develop a wide range of professional development solutions and programs that include:

- non-credit training events, series, and certificates;
- on-site, credit-based offerings short of a degree such as workshops, institutes, clinics, concentrations, and specializations;
- on-site degree program; and
- academic program evaluation for employer training.

The University partners, for example, with various outside agencies including, but not limited to: corporations, government agencies, and school districts to develop customized solutions that contribute to professional development of the existing workforce. In particular, the University's professional development offerings serve:

- science, technology, and management professionals;
- educators and administrators; and
- senior staff responsible for innovation and decision-making.

All professional development programs follow the University's commitment to applied, experiential, and competency-based training and education. They focus on enhancing the ability of professionals to apply what they have learned immediately (and over the long term) to their jobs and careers.

Because the programs offered are demand-driven and change from year to year, up-to-date information on the current offerings is posted online at <https://professionaled.harrisburgu.edu>.

For more information on customized trainings or the calendar of upcoming professional development, contact [ProfessionalEd@HarrisburgU.edu](mailto:ProfessionalEd@HarrisburgU.edu) or call 717.901.5190.

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## **UNIVERSITY POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES**

These are some University policies that guide the conduct of the student, faculty, and staff. Additional details can be found in the [Student Handbook](#), [Faculty Handbook](#), and [Employee Handbook](#).

### **Family Educational Rights Privacy Act (FERPA) Policy**

The University collects a considerable amount of information about each student during the period of enrollment. Almost all of this information is contained in records protected by the Family Educational Rights Privacy Act (FERPA), a federal statute signed into law in 1974. Under this law, a student has the right to review the records and to challenge anything in them that is perceived to be inaccurate or misleading. FERPA regulations also stipulate that the University cannot release information from the student's records to anyone but the student without the student's written consent, except to the extent that the FERPA policy authorizes disclosure without consent.

University officials may disclose education records and information to parents or others without consent of the student under certain circumstances:

- During a health or safety emergency to protect the student or other individuals;
- Any record to the parent when the student is a dependent for federal income tax purposes;
- Law enforcement unit records, including outside law enforcement authorities;
- Parental information when a student under 21 has violated any law or university policy; and, concerning the use or possession of alcohol or a controlled substance

**Directory Information Policy** - The University may disclose directory information about the student unless the student specifically informs the University in writing that this type of information should **not** be released. Directory information includes:

- student's name
- address
- e-mail address
- telephone number(s)
- class year, program of study
- enrollment status
- dates of attendance
- degree(s) and/or awards received
- photograph
- previous educational institution attended
- participation in officially recognized University activities

For additional information on the FERPA policy see :  
<https://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/reg/ferpa/index.html>

### **Campus Crime and Security Disclosure**

The Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (the Jeanne Clery Act) requires the distribution of an annual security report on or before October 1 to all current faculty, staff, and students and a notice of its availability to prospective students, faculty, and staff. The annual security report includes statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus or

property owned or controlled by the University, and on public property immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, such as: crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, sexual assault, timely warning, and other matters. This report is available on the University website or the U.S. Department of Education website at <http://ope.ed.gov/security>.

### **Electronic Mail Communication Policy**

**Policy Statement** - Unless otherwise prohibited by law, the University may send official communications to faculty, staff and students by e-mail to an account assigned by the University with the full expectation that such e-mails will be read by the recipient on a frequent and consistent basis and in a timely fashion.

**Reason for Policy** - The University must be able to communicate quickly and efficiently with faculty, staff, and enrolled students in order to conduct official University business. E-mail is an available and appropriate medium for such communication. Official communications may include policy announcements, registration and billing information, regulatory compliance disclosures, emergency notifications, and other information of a critical or timely nature. Faculty, staff and students may not opt out from receiving official University e-mail communications.

**Assignment of E-mail Accounts** - Students and employees are assigned an account in the HarrisburgU.edu domain. The account is designated as the "[FiLastname@HarrisburgU.edu]" or "[Student FiMiLastname]@My.HarrisburgU.edu" e-mail account. [The addressee protocol may vary slightly in the event of Initials/Name duplication]. The e-mail account is generated by the Office of Technology Services and may not be changed without University approval. University communications that are sent by e-mail will be sent to the University-supported e-mail account.

**Responsibilities** - Faculty, staff, and students are expected to review messages received through the University-supported e-mail account on a frequent and consistent basis. Communications may be time-critical. Individuals shall use the e-mail account for all University-related e-mail communications. Faculty shall use the University-supported account for e-mail communication with a student and, conversely, the student shall respond to faculty communications or requests using the University-supported e-mail account.

**Forwarding of E-mail** – An individual who chooses to forward e-mail received on a Harrisburg University e-mail account to a different e-mail address risks loss of data integrity. The University is not responsible for e-mail, including attachments, forwarded to any e-mail address not supported by the University.

### **Third-Party, Web-Based [Cloud] Computer Records Policy**

**Policy Statement** - It is the policy of Harrisburg University of Science and Technology that any and all user-generated content developed during the use of third-party, web-based (referred to as "cloud-based") technologies used in the classroom or coursework, which could include cloud-based instructional tools, cloud-based teaching and learning environments, and cloud-based server storage, is the property of the individual faculty, student, or staff who developed the content and that the University is not responsible, and shall be held harmless, for any theft, damage, manipulation or loss that may be incurred as a result of the failure by the third party to properly maintain or safeguard that content.

**Reason for Policy** - The University encourages and supports the use of new instructional tools and emerging technologies in open, digital teaching and learning environments. The use of web-based applications and cloud-based storage also bring new concerns about intellectual property and privacy. The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is the federal law that protects the privacy of a student's education records. Generally, any work related to a course or program of study created by the individual is considered a part of the "student's education record." Accordingly, any work related to a course or program of study should not include personally identifiable information of the individual. Examples of "personally identifiable information" are: an individual's full name (if not common), Social Security number, date of birth, birthplace, face or fingerprints, credit card numbers, driver's license number, vehicle registration plate number, digital identity, or grades. Any of these data, when combined with other personal information, may identify an individual. Users of third-party, web-based technologies are strongly cautioned to avoid posting personally identifiable information in any computerized application.

A license agreement permits the University to provide access through its servers for the student to utilize the Microsoft *SkyDrive* cloud-based computer server storage utility to store the student's ePortfolio during the period of enrollment in a program of study. The University requires that each degree-seeking undergraduate student develop an ePortfolio. An ePortfolio is defined as: *An organized, media-rich collection of documents, videos, and other exhibits that allows the student to demonstrate competence to a multitude of audiences.* Additionally, faculty, students, or staff are provided access to and use other web-based technologies and social media where user-generated content is stored.

The individual user of a third-party, web-based technology application, when establishing an account, is required to agree to the conditions of a Terms of Service or End-User Agreement, whereby the individual user accepts full responsibility for all content maintained in the application. Furthermore, the user agrees to a condition that, in no event will the software manufacturer be liable for any damages, whether direct, indirect, special, incidental, economic, compensatory, or consequential, arising out of the use of or inability to use the software or user documentation. Accordingly, the user is solely and exclusively responsible for any and all content.

**Action Subsequent to Completion of a Program of Study or Termination of a Period of Employment** – Any and all documents, videos, and other exhibits accumulated in an ePortfolio or other file, folder or collection by an individual who utilizes a third-party, cloud-based application or storage utility during a program of study or period of employment will no longer be accessible through the University's servers following the completion of the program of study or termination of a period of employment. Direct access to the materials held by the provider is conditional upon the Terms of Service or End-User Agreement accepted by the individual when the account was established.

### **Equal Opportunity**

The University is committed to assuring equal opportunity to all persons and does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, gender, age, religion, national origin, veteran or handicap status, or sexual orientation in its educational programs, activities, admissions, or employment practices as required by Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and other applicable statutes. Inquiries concerning Title IX, Section 504, compliance and information regarding campus accessibility, may be referred to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator.



### **Non-Discrimination Grievance Procedure - Federal**

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits discrimination based on sex in educational programs and activities that receive federal financial assistance. To ensure compliance with Title IX and other federal and state civil rights laws, Harrisburg University of Science and Technology has developed internal policies that prohibit discrimination and sexual misconduct on the basis of sex, such as sexual misconduct and sexual violence. A copy of the Title IX non-discrimination procedure is available upon request.

### **Non-Discrimination Policy - State**

**The Pennsylvania Fair Educational Opportunities Act** provides student access to benefits and services of the University and prohibits discrimination without regard to race, color, gender, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, sexual orientation, age, ancestry, civil union, marital status, veteran status, handicap or disability, perceived handicap or disability, relationship or association with an individual with a handicap or disability, use of a guide or support animal, and/or handling or training of support or guide animals. This commitment includes, but is not limited to, admissions, course offerings, transfer of credit, financial aid, scholarships, student employment, internships, educational and social programs, and student advisement and counseling.

**Any complaint of an alleged act of discrimination must be filed within 180 days of the incident by contacting the PA Human Relations Commission located at 1101-1125 Front Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17104-2515 (717) 787-9784.**

### **Emergency Notification System Policy**

The University's emergency notification service (ENS), the "e2Campus" system, is used to communicate with subscribers through voice, text, and email messages, as deemed appropriate in the event of an emergency. All University students, faculty, and staff are strongly encouraged to subscribe. Each subscriber can designate up to three contact numbers and specify text and/or voice messages. The Quick Test feature enables the user to send a test message to your wireless device. The Emergency Notification Service is designed for use with portable devices and is only one aspect of a layered approach to notifying the University community of emergencies.

### **Peer-to-Peer ("P2P") File Sharing Information Technology Disclosure**

#### **Introduction**

The Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, under Title IV, Section 285(a)(1)(P) and Section 487(a)(29), effective August 14, 2008, requires the disclosure to users of information technology resources that Harrisburg University of Science and Technology has developed a plan to combat the unauthorized distribution of copyrighted material (including the use of technology-based deterrents) and will, to the extent practicable, offer alternatives to illegal downloading. The illegal distribution of copyrighted material is prohibited, and may subject an individual to criminal or civil penalties.

The "Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998" (DMCA) states that copyrighted information is protected and that it is illegal to download, upload, or distribute that information in any fashion. The provisions of this law specify a process to deal with any claimed infringement.

#### **Plans to "Effectively Combat" Unauthorized Distribution of Copyrighted Material**

P2P traffic is identified via the Intrusion Prevention System (IPS) that is integrated within the University's Cisco ASA 5500 security appliance. In most cases, a client's connection to the network will be dropped when typical P2P traffic is sensed.

This intrusion system covers the known protocols that popular P2P clients - such as Torrents, Limewire, Bearshare, Kazaa, etc. - utilize to establish connections to potentially transfer files containing copyrighted material. Additionally, the ability for the student to pass files over the Wireless LAN between laptops has been shut down.

### **Compliance**

Harrisburg University reserves the right to capture, preserve, and/or inspect any information transmitted through, stored on, or used on any IT resource.

### **Identification of Copyrighted Material Violation and Action Taken**

The designated agent to receive notification of a claimed infringement, in accordance with the provisions of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, is:

Keith A. Green  
Director of Institutional Research & Compliance  
326 Market Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17101  
(717) 901-5123  
[KGreen@HarrisburgU.edu](mailto:KGreen@HarrisburgU.edu)

If an infringement claim is submitted to the University by a complainant, appropriate action will be taken to identify the student, faculty, or staff member involved in the complaint.

Written notice to the involved individual via email requires the removal of the copyrighted files or documents from the computer containing the material within 72 hours of the formal notice. A reply confirmation is required when corrective action has been taken to remove the illegal files, documents, or other material.

Upon receipt of the material removal confirmation, the designated agent notifies the complainant of the institutional resolution.

If an individual involved in the complaint fails to take the requested corrective action within 72 hours, access to the Harrisburg University network will be deactivated. Reactivation to the network can only occur at such time that it is confirmed that corrective action was taken.

### **Penalties for Copyright Infringement**

Copyright infringement is the act of exercising, without permission or legal authority, one or more of the exclusive rights granted to the copyright owner under section 106 of the Copyright Act (Title 17 of the United States Code). These rights include the right to reproduce or distribute a copyrighted work. In the file-sharing context, downloading or uploading substantial parts of a copyrighted work without authority constitutes an infringement.

Penalties for copyright infringement include civil and criminal penalties. In general, anyone found liable for civil copyright infringement may be ordered to pay either actual damages or "statutory" damages affixed at not less than \$750 and not more than \$30,000 per work infringed. For "willful" infringement, a court may award up to \$150,000 per work infringed. A court can, in its discretion, also assess costs and attorneys' fees. For details, see Title 17, United States Code, Sections 504, 505.

Willful copyright infringement can also result in criminal penalties, including imprisonment of up to five years and fines of up to \$250,000 per offense.

For more information, please see the Web site of the U.S. Copyright Office at [www.copyright.gov](http://www.copyright.gov), especially the FAQ's at [www.copyright.gov/help/faq](http://www.copyright.gov/help/faq).

### **Procedure to Update and/or Amend**

Harrisburg University of Science and Technology reserves the right to update or amend this document to reflect university policy or procedural changes and/or state or federal law.

## **Campus ID Card Policy**

The Campus ID Card serves as the University's student/faculty/staff ID card, provides access to campus buildings and events, and serves as the Library card.

While on campus, the Campus ID Card must be visible at all times and presented upon request to any faculty member, staff, security personnel, or contracted security personnel.

The Campus ID Card is the property of Harrisburg University of Science and Technology and all policies and procedures must be observed to retain the privilege of use. The card is not transferable and is only to be used by faculty, staff, a currently-registered student, and other authorized persons.

The Campus ID Card must be surrendered to the University upon deactivation. A fee may be assessed for any Campus ID Card that is not returned at the end of the expected period of use.

### **Campus Card Types**

There are two versions of the Campus ID Card:

- Campus ID Card: card contains photo identification, student/employee ID number; and,
- Access-Only Campus ID Card: card without photo identification (typically for the short-term student or visitor).

### **Campus Card Usage**

The primary purpose of the Campus ID Card is to provide easy identification of the cardholder and to permit access to permitted areas of the University campus. The Campus ID Card also serves as a library card. It is the responsibility of the cardholder to report suspected lost or stolen cards immediately.

### **Campus Card Activation**

The Campus ID Card is activated for faculty and staff following formal contractual employment or position appointment.

The Campus ID Card is activated for a student following admission to the University, payment of the required tuition deposit, and completion of course registration for the semester or other term.

### **Campus Card Deactivation**

The Campus ID Card is deactivated for faculty and staff following formal cancellation of contractual employment or resignation or termination from the position appointment.

The Campus ID Card is deactivated for a student following a determination of withdrawal, dismissal, graduation or other completion of a scheduled period of enrollment.

## **Student Grievance Policy**

A situation, circumstance or incident may occur where a student concludes that they have incurred egregious harm as the direct result of an action caused by a member of the faculty or staff. A student in this circumstance may file a formal grievance against a faculty or staff member of the University to seek administrative redress. Examples of adverse behaviors include, but are not limited to: violation of confidentiality; offensive remarks as a deliberate insult individually, in the company of others, or in the classroom; racist or sexist remarks and/or attitudes; inappropriate sexual contact, not limited to sexual intercourse; or, inappropriate relationships with the student which cause conflict of interest for either the student or faculty or staff.

A student who is compelled to submit a grievance must obtain a Student Grievance Form from Records and Registration. The form must be completed with an explanation of the facts of the allegation, and attach to it any and all documents, testimonies or petitions supporting the student's position as evidence. The completed grievance form should be submitted promptly to the Director of Institutional Compliance.

A grievance cannot be filed on behalf of another person. Grievances may not be used to challenge academic or other policies or procedures of general applicability.

Additional information may be requested from the student while the grievance is being considered. The alleged faculty or staff person is interviewed and asked to sign an affidavit stating facts relative to the alleged incident. Following consultation with the Office of the Provost, a decision shall be rendered by the Director of Institutional Compliance within five (5) business days of the grievance submission. The student then receives a determination letter.

If the student does not receive a satisfactory remedy relative to the grievance, the student may request further review by a Grievance Committee which consists of: the Director of Institutional Compliance, who shall act as the Committee Chair, an administrator designated by the Provost, the Chair of the Faculty of the Whole, a member of the Office of Student Services, and a student representative that has no previous knowledge of the matter to be considered. The request for review by the Grievance Committee must be submitted in writing to the Director of Institutional Compliance. Formal rules of evidence will not apply, and the panel may consider any evidence considered relevant and reliable. A student is permitted to have a representative to assist them during the proceeding; however, the representative may not be an attorney.

The student will be advised of the date and time of the Grievance Committee meeting so that he or she may participate. The Committee shall deliberate and reach a decision on the grievance in closed session and render its recommendation regarding the grievance within ten (10) days of its meeting. The student will be notified promptly of the Committee's recommendation.

If a student wishes to appeal the decision of the Grievance Committee, he or she must submit a written request to the Provost within five (5) business days after formal notification of the Committee's decision. The Provost's Office will review all of the relevant materials of the matter and notify the student of a final decision within five (5) business days of the appeal submission.

Grievances relating to the alleged denial of access to the benefits and services of the University as a result of discrimination on the basis of gender, race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, age, ancestry, disability, civil union, marital or veteran status should be presented in writing to the Affirmative Action Officer within 30 days of the alleged discrimination. The Affirmative Action Officer will review the written complaint and meet with the individual filing it. After reviewing all the facts and utilizing legal counsel, if appropriate, the Affirmative Action Officer will determine if corrective action is required. The student bringing the complaint will be promptly notified in writing of the determination. If corrective action is required, it will be initiated within 30 days of the determination of the grievance.

## Acceptable Use of Information Technology Policy

**Introduction** Harrisburg University offers comprehensive academic programs that emphasize science and technology. Access to information technology is essential to the pursuit and achievement of the University's instructional, research, administrative and service missions. As such, the use of information technology is a privilege and all members of the University community are expected to be responsible and ethical users of information technology. This policy applies to all technology acquired by or on behalf of Harrisburg University (wherever used) and all technology (however acquired) used on any Harrisburg University resources<sup>1</sup>.

### **Purpose**

This policy:

- A. Promotes the responsible and ethical use of computing, information resources, and/or communication systems, collectively known as "information technology" but hereafter known as "IT," administered by the Office of Information Services (OIS).
- B. Defines the rights, responsibilities, and standards of conduct for its faculty, administrators, staff, students, and other authorized users with regard to the use of IT.
- C. Explains the appropriate procedures for enforcing any and all misuse of the University's IT resources and outlines appropriate disciplinary procedures for violating these rules.

### **Responsibilities**

- D. It is the responsibility of the University faculty, administrators, staff, or student workers to communicate this policy and its contents to any and all users of IT at, or in affiliation with, Harrisburg University. Not being aware of any part of this policy does not excuse the individual from being responsible for its contents.
- E. The Harrisburg University OIS is responsible for the following:
  - i. Maintaining user accountability requirements including user identification and authentication, account administration, and password integrity.
  - ii. Making every effort to protect the privacy of users and confidentiality of data<sup>2</sup>.
  - iii. Ensuring fair access to IT.
  - iv. Developing and implementing security policies and standards.
- F. All Harrisburg University IT users are responsible for the following:
  - i. Acting in a responsible, ethical, and legal manner in the use of IT. As such, this use of IT implies consent with any and all applicable university policies and regulations.
  - ii. Using IT for authorized university business only. Excessive use of any IT resource for personal use is prohibited.
  - iii. Safeguarding data including personal information and passwords.
  - iv. Recognizing the limitations to privacy afforded by electronic services.
  - v. Respecting other users and their expectation of privacy, confidentiality, and freedom of expression.

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<sup>1</sup>Computers, computer systems, networks, electronic communications systems, institutional or third-party cloud data storage media, facilities, peripherals, servers, routers, switches, equipment, software, files, or accounts.

<sup>2</sup> While Harrisburg University recognizes the importance of (and makes every attempt to achieve) privacy, the University cannot promise privacy of information stored on, or sent through, university-owned systems or resources except for certain information pertaining to student records, research, or other proprietary or patentable materials.

- vi. Taking precautions to prevent the initial occurrence and/or spread of computer viruses. Therefore, network connected resources must utilize university-approved anti-virus software.
- vii. Avoiding any unauthorized or illegal use of IT. This includes but is not limited to the transmission of abusive or threatening material, spam, or communications prohibited by state or federal laws.
- viii. Using IT in compliance with applicable license and purchasing agreements. Each user is individually responsible for reading, understanding, and adhering to all licenses, notices, and agreements in connection with IT which he or she uses.

### **Compliance**

- G. Harrisburg University reserves the right to capture, preserve, and/or inspect any information transmitted through, stored on, or used on any IT resource without notice but especially when:
  - i. There is reasonable cause a user has violated this policy.
  - ii. A user or an account appears to be engaged in unusual activity.
  - iii. It is necessary to protect the integrity, security, or functionality of IT resources.
  - iv. It is necessary to protect the University from liability.
  - v. It is permitted or required by law.

### **Enforcement and Disciplinary Procedures**

- H. Any user who violates any part of this policy may be subject to the following:
  - i. Suspension or revocation of the user's computer account and/or suspension or revocation of access to the University's IT resources.
  - ii. Disciplinary action as described in Harrisburg University's Student Handbook which may include suspension, dismissal, or expulsion from the University.
  - iii. Disciplinary procedures outlined in Harrisburg University's Faculty Handbook or any other documents outlining conduct for faculty, staff, administration, or student employees which may include termination of employment or other disciplinary action.
  - iv. Civil or criminal prosecution under federal and/or state law. Noncompliance with certain provisions of this policy may incur penalties under such laws which may include fines, orders of restitution, and imprisonment.
  - v. Re-instatement of computer privileges shall be examined on a case-by-case basis.

### **Procedure to Update and/or Amend**

Harrisburg University reserves the right to update and/or amend this document to reflect university policy changes and/or state or federal law.

## **Credit Card Policy**

The University is in compliance with state requirements for policies related to the marketing of credit cards on campus (Senate bill 157 session 2003 article xx111-A, Section 2301-A).

The Board of Trustees of the University adopted the following statement related to credit card solicitation on October 13, 2004:

“Harrisburg University prohibits the marketing of all forms of credit cards on university property and prohibiting credit card marketers from offering gifts to a student in exchange for completing a credit card application.”

## **Intellectual Property Policy**

### *Purpose*

The policy reflects the following goals:

To create an environment that encourages the generation of new knowledge by faculty, staff, and the student;

To facilitate wide transfer of useful inventions, ideas, and writings to society;

To motivate the development and dissemination of intellectual property by providing appropriate financial rewards to creators and the University, and administrative assistance to creators; and,

To ensure that the financial return from the development of intellectual property does not distort ethical decisions and operations of the University in a manner contrary to the mission of the University.

### *Definitions*

Terms used in this document are defined in this section. These definitions may not necessarily conform to customary usage.

**Intellectual Property** includes any patentable invention, any copyrightable subject matter, or trade secret. It also includes works of art, inventions, discoveries, or creations that might normally be developed on a proprietary basis.

**University** means Harrisburg University of Science and Technology.

**Student** means any full-time or part-time graduate or undergraduate student, regardless of whether the student receives financial aid from the University or from outside sources. It is the responsibility of a student who is also an employee of an outside entity to resolve any conflicts between this policy and provisions of agreements with the employer prior to beginning any undertaking at the University that will involve the development of intellectual property.

**Faculty** means a person employed for pay at the University who has received a teaching appointment, plus instructors who have faculty appointments of various types.

**Staff** means any employee of the University other than students and faculty as defined above. If a student is also a part-time university employee, that person is considered as staff with regard to intellectual property developed as a result of employment, and as a student with regard to other intellectual property. A full-time non-faculty employee who is also taking one or more courses is considered to be staff. Visitors to the University who make substantial use of university resources are considered as staff with respect to any intellectual property arising from such use.

**Creator** means any person (or persons) who create an item of intellectual property.

**Net proceeds to the University** means all proceeds received by the University on intellectual property that it assigns, sells or licenses, minus any application, litigation, interference, or marketing costs directly attributable to the intellectual property being licensed. Deducted costs shall be reasonable and fair, and shall be properly disclosed; the sources and amounts of compensation shall also be properly disclosed.

**Net proceeds to the creator** means all proceeds received by the creator from intellectual property owned that is sold, assigned, or licensed, less the costs of application, legal protection, or litigation,

interference, travel and other marketing costs directly attributable to the intellectual property being exploited. Such net proceeds do not include compensation legitimately received by the creator for consulting services or interest or other return on invested labor or capital. Deducted costs shall be reasonable and fair, and shall be properly disclosed; the sources and amounts of compensation shall also be properly disclosed.

**Substantial use of university facilities** means extensive unreimbursed use of major university laboratory, computational facilities, or human resources. The use of these facilities must be important to the creation of the intellectual property; merely incidental use of a facility does not constitute substantial use, nor does extensive use of a facility commonly available to all faculty or professional staff (such as libraries and offices), nor does extensive use of a specialized facility for routine tasks. Use will be considered "extensive" and facilities will be considered "major" if similar use of similar facilities would cost the creator more than \$5000 (five thousand dollars) if purchased or leased in the public market. Creators wishing to directly reimburse the University for the use of its facilities must make arrangements to do so before the level of facilities usage for a particular intellectual property becomes substantial.

#### *Policy Provisions*

This section states the policies concerning ownership of intellectual property created at the University. In order of precedence, ownership of intellectual property shall be as follows:

#### **1. Externally Sponsored Work**

**Ownership Provisions:** Intellectual property created as a result of work conducted under an agreement between an external sponsor and the University that specifies the ownership of such intellectual property shall be owned as specified in said agreement.

#### **2. Internally Sponsored Work**

**Ownership Provisions:** When the University provides funds or facilities for a particular project to the extent of substantial use, it may also choose to designate itself as sponsor of that work. The University may declare itself the owner of intellectual property resulting from said work. In such cases the University must specify in advance the disposition of any intellectual property rights arising from the project. If such ownership provisions are not in place, the University will not go into contract with researcher.

#### **3. Individual Agreements**

**Ownership Provisions:** Intellectual property, which is the subject of a specific agreement between the University and the creator(s) thereof, shall be owned as provided in said agreement. Such agreements by the University and the faculty are encouraged.

#### **4. Intellectual Property Created Within Scope of Employment**

**Ownership Provisions:** Intellectual property created by university employees who were employed specifically to produce particular intellectual property shall be owned by the University if said intellectual property was created within the normal scope of employment. Computer programs written on the job by staff computer programmers would fall under this provision.

#### **5. Public Dedication**

**Ownership Provisions:** Except when limited by the above, the creator of any intellectual property may choose to place his or her creation in the public domain. In such cases both the creator and the University waive all ownership rights to said property.



## 6. In General

Unless governed by the above, ownership of intellectual property created at the University shall be determined as follows:

### A. Traditional Rights Retained

**Ownership Provisions:** In keeping with establishing academic traditions at the University, the creator retains all rights to the following types of intellectual property, without limitation: books (including textbooks), educational courseware, articles, pictorial and graphic works, audio-visual works, and sound recordings, regardless of the level of use of university facilities. This provision does not include computer software (other than educational courseware) or databases.

### B. No Substantial Use of University Facilities

**Ownership Provisions:** The creator owns all intellectual property created without substantial use of university facilities, including intellectual property rights in computer software and databases.

### C. Substantial Use of University Facilities - No External or Internal Sponsorship

Ownership of intellectual property created with substantial use of university facilities, but not directly arising from externally sponsored work, or from work for which the University has declared itself as sponsor, shall be determined as set forth hereinafter depending on whether the creator or the University develops said property.

#### i. Development by Creator

**Ownership Provisions:** The creator originally owns intellectual property created with substantial use of university facilities but no external or internal sponsorship, and retains said ownership by commercial development of said property subject to the following: (i) the University shall receive 15% (fifteen percent) of the net proceeds to the creator above \$25,000 (twenty-five thousand dollars) from all sources (in the case of patents and copyrights, this provision shall be limited to the life of the patent or copyright), and (ii) the University shall receive a perpetual, non-exclusive, non-transferable, royalty free license to use said intellectual property. In the case of software, this license includes access by specified university personnel to the source listings, and the University shall require each person to whom a disclosure is made to execute in advance a binding confidentiality agreement in favor of and enforceable by the creator. If the intellectual property is created solely by a student or students, the creator is exempt from the obligation to pay to the University a fraction of his net proceeds, but not from the provision of this paragraph for a non-exclusive license to the University.

#### ii. Development by the University

**Ownership Provisions:** When intellectual property is created with substantial use of university facilities, but not directly arising from sponsored research, the creator will originally retain the rights to the property, provided that he desires to commercially develop the property himself or to make it available to the public. If, however, the creator elects not to commercially develop same or fails to show diligence in pursuing such development, then the ownership rights to that property may be acquired by the University.

### D. Substantial Use of University Facilities - External or Internal Sponsorship

Ownership of intellectual property created with substantial use of university facilities and directly arising from work sponsored under an agreement between an external sponsor and the

University, or from work for which the University has declared itself a sponsor, but for which neither the external sponsor nor the University have specified the ownership of resulting intellectual property shall be determined as set forth hereinafter depending on whether the creator or the University develops said property.

**i. Development by University**

**Ownership Provisions:** The University originally owns intellectual property created with substantial use of university facilities provided by an external agreement or internal university sponsorship and retains said ownership by commercial development of said property, subject to the following: in all cases, the creator shall receive 50% (fifty percent) of the net proceeds to the University.

**ii. Development by Creator**

**Ownership Provisions:** When intellectual property is created with substantial use of university facilities provided by external or internal sponsorship, the University will originally retain the rights to the property, provided that it desires to commercially develop the property or to make it available to the public. If, however, the University elects not to commercially develop the same or fails to show diligence in such development, the ownership rights to that property may be acquired by the creator.

**E. Consulting Agreements**

**Ownership Provisions:** Work done by individuals as consultants to outside firms is presumed not to involve unreimbursed substantial use of university facilities, and the rights to intellectual property created under consulting agreements are retained by the outside firms or the individual as specified by the terms of the consulting agreement.

*General Procedures*

The creator of any intellectual property that is or might be owned by the University under this policy is required to make reasonably prompt written disclosure of the work to the University's Provost, and to execute any document deemed necessary to perfect legal rights in the University and enable the University to file patent applications and applications for copyright registration when appropriate. This disclosure to the Provost should be made at the time when legal protection for the creation is contemplated, and it must be made before the intellectual property is sold, used for profit, or disclosed to the public. Whenever legal protection for intellectual property is anticipated all persons engaged in such creative activity are encouraged to keep regular notebooks and records.

Whenever the University undertakes commercial development it shall do so, if possible, in a fashion that provides for the widest possible dissemination, avoiding suppression of inventions from which the public might otherwise benefit, providing for non-exclusive licensing at reasonable royalties, and giving consideration to more favorable or royalty-free licensing to non-profit charitable institutions, minority businesses or enterprises in developing countries.

The University's share of any proceeds under this policy will be used to reimburse the University for its expenses for commercial development of intellectual property. Any additional return to the University will be used to further the academic purposes of all disciplines of the University community.