Drive healthcare decisions with data.

As the ability to collect and understand data continues to evolve, the need to effectively analyze that data becomes critical. Position yourself as a leader capable of influencing the direction of healthcare with the accredited Master of Science in Applied Healthcare Data Analytics (MSAHDA) program from Averett University in collaboration with Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine (VCOM).

Our MSAHDA program will teach you how to organize and manage medical information as an essential part of the efficiency and delivery of quality healthcare. A graduate with a MSAHDA degree will possess imperative business fundamentals, industry context and advanced data analytics to not only comprehend data, but to also inform better decision-making within healthcare organizations.

What do healthcare data analysts do?

A healthcare data analyst, also known as a healthcare business analyst or health information management analyst, plays a vital role in the effectiveness of an organization. Responsible for gathering, analyzing, compiling and validating crucial medical data, a healthcare data analyst has the ability to help organizations improve their quality of care and lower costs. Healthcare data analysts use data to drive big-picture healthcare decisions by reviewing data from a variety of resources, such as electronic health records, billing claims, cost reports and more.

Data is one of the most valuable assets that any organization owns. Graduates will be trained to properly collect, store and present data that supports vital business decisions. From automating internal reports, presenting information to hospital executives or even synthesizing data that guides decision-making, healthcare analysts are vital to ensuring the organization runs smoothly.

Format

The program is formatted for intense study and accelerated completion online. Most students take one eight-week course at a time, two per term with three terms per year - allowing for degree completion in less than two years. Small classes allow for productive discussions and personal attention from your instructor.

Who This Program Is For

The Master of Science in Applied Healthcare Data Analytics is for recent graduates from regionally accredited undergraduate programs to longtime professionals looking for a competitive edge, new skills and opportunities to best use data informed practice.

We prefer applicants whose official transcripts show a 3.0+ GPA in their last 60 credits of bachelor degree study. However, the Graduate Admissions Committee may provisionally admit students who earned less than a 3.0 as undergraduates if they can maintain a minimum grade of “B” in their first four courses.

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Submit your $50 tuition deposit online through our secure payment center. For 'Select a Deposit Type,' please choose 'Non-Traditional Enrollment Deposit.' |
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