Expected Outcomes: Employment and Graduate School Placement

Graduates of the program will acquire employment in responsible positions in support of improving the Physical and mental well-being of society

Related typical general education outcomes:

9 Informed and Engaged Citizenship

Assessment methods

Method: E-mail Survey

Graduates of the program are emailed a survey three months, twelve months, and thirty-six months after graduation.

Findings:

According to our July 2012 survey results, 72% of the program’s recent graduates have found employment in their field and/or are in graduate school 3 months after graduation. One year after graduation 97% of program graduates have jobs within the health care field and/or are in graduate school.

How did you use findings for improvement?

We believe that continuing our program to expand the program’s exposure and geographical reach will lead to being able to sustain our current track record of high quality job placements for program graduates.

Additional comments:

None

Expected Outcomes: Effective Decision Making

Students who graduate from this program will be able to use acquired skills to make effective decisions in the workplace

Related typical general education outcomes:

6 Ability to Solve Open-Ended Problems

Assessment methods

Method: Evaluation

Internship site preceptors fill out an assessment of student benchmarks on skills, knowledge, and ability at the beginning and another at the end of the internship. All students are required to complete a senior Capstone project in which they integrate the knowledge and concepts (accounting, management, information technology, etc.) they have learned in their course work.

Findings:
Over 90% of the program's internship students improve their management skill sets upon successful completion of their internships. The projects are reviewed and assessed by program faculty. Assessments indicate that 87% of the projects ranked very good or higher.

How did you use findings for improvement?

Internships continue to be required by all program majors, rather than optional in compliance with the program's national accrediting body. We have strengthened the program's relationship with Baptist Hospital to offer a 2 day pre-internship seminar designed to enhance the effective decision making capabilities of students. The addition of new faculty has enabled the program to enhance its teaching of health care information technology and expand this topical area as part of the Capstone project.

Additional comments:

None