

## Health Sciences



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#### **Why did you decide on a career in Health Information Management?**

I undertook the Health Information Management course because it combined my passions for IT and Health, whilst also incorporating areas of interest which I had previously never considered as potential career paths. The variety of subjects taught ensures you become an expert in the field of Health Information Management and, therefore, an important member of the healthcare industry.

#### **Why did you decide on a career in Mental Health Information Management after graduating?**

I decided on a career in Mental Health Information Management because it offered a great variety of health information roles for me to undertake. Most of these roles are not offered at such an early stage in a Health Information Manager's career in general hospitals. I am gaining a wide variety of skills at such an early stage in my career. Hopefully this opportunity will help me grow as a person and as a HIM.

#### **What excites you about your current professional work?**

It is exciting working in a field of health which is not as big as acute health. The tight network of Mental Health Information Managers is supportive and encouraging.

I enjoy the variety of HIM activities which make-up a day's work – ensuring that fresh challenges are always around the corner!