

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN HEALTH CARE (AIHC) – POSTDOCTORAL MASTERS

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Application

Candidates must complete a formal application. More details are available on the MCGSBS Master's Programs web page. Additional details specific to the CTS Master's Program can be found here (<https://www.mayo.edu/research/centers-programs/center-clinical-translational-science/education/postdoctoral-masters-degree-program/application-process.html>). Applicants must be approved by the track program director and admission endorsed by MCGSBS.

Eligibility

Applicants must be employed at Mayo Clinic. The employment appointment, as documented at the time of application, must be greater in length than the time required for completion of all requirements of the program. Eligible roles include: Any Mayo Clinic physician, scientist, fellow or resident with a doctoral degree in a discipline applicable to clinical research or medical student who plans to have a research career. Visiting clinicians, research trainees and research collaborators are not eligible.

Time Requirement

Applicants must have adequate protected time to complete course and research requirements within designated program length. Applications with inadequate protected time to complete the program will **not** be accepted. Time to completion can vary by program and Mayo Clinic role from two to five years. All scholars must be in their program a minimum of 1 year in order to meet the MCGSBS residency requirement. Scholars must complete all program requirements within 5 years.

Students must have dedicated time for their program commitments and abide by course attendance requirements as defined in course syllabi. Students must be appropriately engaged in their program and demonstrate continued progress towards graduation.

Registration Requirement

At least 75% of the coursework for the Master's degree must be completed in MCGSBS. It is expected that a minimum of one year will be devoted to research. Students must be enrolled in a minimum of one course per term. If students are not registered for courses, they will be considered inactive to some reporting agencies and subject to any implications of the inactive status, e.g. eligibility for student loan deferral if applicable.

Minimum Credit Requirements

Students must complete a minimum of 45 credits, which can include a maximum of 16 Research credits. (See individual specialty track descriptions for specific course requirements.)

Transfer Credits

A total of 6 didactic credits may be transferred into the program. For more details, see the Credit Transfer Policy on the MCGSBS Policies and Procedures intranet site.

The Master's degree track in Artificial Intelligence in Health Care is open only to Mayo Clinic employees who have a doctoral degree in a discipline applicable to clinical research. Doctoral candidates may be considered. Potential candidates for the degree must hold Mayo Clinic appointments of sufficient duration to complete the program requirements.

Pre-Requisite Course Work

1. Introduction to statistics: Data summarization and statistical testing (like CTSC 5600)
2. Linear Algebra: Matrix Math
3. Calculus: Single variable ("Calc 1")
4. Introduction to Scientific Programming (Python and/or R preferred)

Course Requirements

The curriculum for the Master's degree consists of **45 credits**. The student must complete all of the required courses listed below:

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| Track Requirements | | |
| AIHC 5010 | Introduction to Machine Learning | 3 |
| AIHC 5020 | Introduction to Data | 3 |
| AIHC 5030 | Introduction to Deployment, Adoption & Maintenance of Artificial Intelligence Models/ Algorithms | 2 |
| AIHC 5200 | AI Math Foundations | 2 |
| AIHC 5500 | Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Journal Club | 1 |
| CTSC 5300 | Foundations of Epidemiology | 1 |
| CTSC 5350 | Ethical Issues in Artificial Intelligence and Information Technologies | 1 |
| AIHC 5615 | Fundamentals of Statistics for Artificial Intelligence | 2 |
| Advanced Coursework | | |
| Select 5 credits ¹ | | 5 |
| Research ² | | |
| MGS 6100 | Master's Thesis Proposal | 3 |
| MGS 6840 | Master's Research (4 cr/qtr - 4 qtrs required) | 16 |
| Concentration | | |
| Select 6 credits from the listed concentrations | | 6 |
| Total Hours | | 51 |

¹ Students can choose to focus their elective credits into one of the concentration areas listed below or select their elective credits based on recommendations from their mentor or based on their professional goals.

² It is expected that a minimum of one year will be devoted to research.

Concentrations Requirements

Signals & Systems

| Code | Title | Hours |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| BME 6720 | Deep Learning for Medical Imaging | 3 |
| BME 5704 | | 3 |
| Total Hours | | 6 |

Discovery Science

| Code | Title | Hours |
|--------------------|--|----------|
| CTSC 5140 | | 2 |
| CTSC 5410 | Molecular Variant Evaluation | 2 |
| CTSC 5500 | Genomic Analysis of Complex Traits | 1 |
| CTSC 6160 | Genomic Analysis and Data Interpretation for Rare and Undiagnosed Diseases | 2 |
| Total Hours | | 7 |

Discovery Science - Molecular Genetics

| Code | Title | Hours |
|--------------------|--|----------|
| BMB 5400 | | |
| CTSC 5400 | Introduction to Bioinformatics Concepts and Core Technologies for Individualized Medicine Approaches | 1 |
| MPET 6450 | Applied Data Science and Artificial Intelligence in Pharmacology | 2 |
| Total Hours | | 3 |

Applied Clinical Informatics

| Code | Title | Hours |
|--------------------|--|----------|
| AIHC 5960 | Introduction to Medical Informatics | 2 |
| AIHC 5961 | Health Information Technology Evaluation: Clinical Informatics Methods | 1 |
| AIHC 5962 | Clinical Surveillance, Alerting, and Data Representation | 1 |
| AIHC 5963 | Health Information Security | 1 |
| AIHC 5964 | AI & HIT Implementation | 1 |
| Total Hours | | 6 |

Translational & Regulatory

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| AIHC 5045 | FDA & ISO Software Verification & Validation | 1 |
| CTSC 5020 | Regulatory Issues in Clinical Research | 1 |
| CTSC 5025 | Introduction to Regulatory Science | 1 |
| CTSC 5035 | | 1 |
| CTSC 5400 | Introduction to Bioinformatics Concepts and Core Technologies for Individualized Medicine Approaches | 1 |
| CTSC 5720 | Clinical Trials Design and Conduct | 1 |
| Total Hours | | 6 |

Written Qualifying Exam (WQE)

The WQE is designed to demonstrate a student's ability to integrate and synthesize the core competencies of the program. Students must pass the WQE to complete the degree requirements.

Thesis Defense (Final Oral Examination)

The final oral examination cannot be completed until the following criteria have been met:

- The Written Qualifying Examination has been passed,
- All coursework has been completed with a GPA of 3.0 or higher,
- All program milestones have been met, and
- AIHC Postdoctoral Programs Committee has reviewed and approved the thesis proposal

Publication Requirement

Master's thesis research must make a substantial contribution to the biomedical literature, and preparing work for publication is an important part of research training. The expectation is that thesis research will result in multiple publications. To graduate, students need to publish at least two original peer-reviewed papers on which they are first author.

This is a suggested sequence based on a summer term start. Individual course plans may vary depending on true start date, program, employment/personal commitments, and research interests. Note that this sequence only covers the Core courses and Concentration courses. Students are responsible for additional elective credits which are required by the program. Be sure to confirm you have met your requirements using your degree planning tool. Course offerings may vary slightly. Current course offerings are posted in the course catalog.

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| First Year - Summer Term | | |
| AIHC 5020 | Introduction to Data | 3 |
| CTSC 5300 | Foundations of Epidemiology | 1 |
| Concentration | | |
| CTSC 5020 | Regulatory Issues in Clinical Research | |
| CTSC 5025 | Introduction to Regulatory Science | |
| Code | | |
| Title | | |
| Hours | | |
| First Year - Fall Term | | |
| AIHC 5200 | AI Math Foundations | 2 |
| AIHC 5615 | Fundamentals of Statistics for Artificial Intelligence | 2 |
| Concentration | | |
| AIHC 5960 | Introduction to Medical Informatics | |
| MPET 6450 | Applied Data Science and Artificial Intelligence in Pharmacology | |
| Code | | |
| Title | | |
| Hours | | |
| First Year - Winter Term | | |
| MGS 6100 | Master's Thesis Proposal | 3 |
| AIHC 5010 | Introduction to Machine Learning | 3 |
| CTSC 5350 | Ethical Issues in Artificial Intelligence and Information Technologies | 1 |
| Concentration | | |
| BMB 5400 | | |
| CTSC 5500 | Genomic Analysis of Complex Traits | |
| CTSC 5410 | Molecular Variant Evaluation | |
| CTSC 5400 | Introduction to Bioinformatics Concepts and Core Technologies for Individualized Medicine Approaches | |

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| CTSC 5720 | Clinical Trials Design and Conduct |
| CTSC 6120 | Case Studies in Translation |
| AIHC 5961 | Health Information Technology Evaluation: Clinical Informatics Methods |
| AIHC 5962 | Clinical Surveillance, Alerting, and Data Representation |

| Code | Title | Hours |
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First Year - Spring Term

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| AIHC 5030 | Introduction to Deployment, Adoption & Maintenance of Artificial Intelligence Models/ Algorithms | 2 |
| AIHC 5500 | Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Journal Club | 1 |

Concentration

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| AIHC 5963 | Health Information Security |
| AIHC 5964 | AI & HIT Implementation |
| AIHC 5045 | FDA & ISO Software Verification & Validation |
| BME 5704 | |
| BME 6720 | Deep Learning for Medical Imaging |
| CTSC 6160 | Genomic Analysis and Data Interpretation for Rare and Undiagnosed Diseases |

| Code | Title | Hours |
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Second Year - All Terms

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| MGS 6840 | Master's Research (Enroll once per term for minimum 4 terms.) | 4 |
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