MHIMA Outstanding Student 2020

Emily Kiemele
The Outstanding Student Award

- The Outstanding Student award recognizes student members of MHIMA who are beyond their first 2 quarters/semesters in their CAHIIM accredited program.

- Individuals must demonstrate:
  - Excellence
  - Leadership
  - Commitment to the HIM profession and their future career
Education

- Emily started as a nursing major at the College of St. Scholastica in the Fall of 2017
- She switched to a major in HIM in the Spring of 2019 after a discussion with Madonna LeBlanc, whom Emily says has been the most influential person in her life
- Emily is in the Honors program
- She is also pursuing a concentration in sustainability
A few words from Emily’s Professor

“Emily Kiemele is that rare student that understands the treasure to be had by immersing themselves in both campus and professional extracurricular activities, creating for herself the best possible positioning for her young professional career. We are delighted she chose HIM as her major; I highly endorse Emily...”

~Madonna LeBlanc, MA, RHIA, FAHIMA
Experience

- Healthcare Coordinator, True Friends - Camp Courage North; Lake George, MN — May 2018-Current
- CNA/Medication Aide, Wellstead of Rogers; Rogers, MN — June 2016-Mar 2018
- Managing Editor, Script Newspaper; Duluth, MN — Sept 2017-Present
- Scenic Artist/Carpenter, College of St. Scholastica; Duluth, MN — Sept 2017-Present
Emily’s Family

Emily and her sister Bethany, on vacation in the Florida Keys

Emily’s parents
Volunteer Work

- MHIMA Student Representative
- IFHIMA Social Media Workgroup Member
- MHIMA 2020 Annual Conference Student Ambassador
- SHIMA (Student HIM Association) Treasurer
- CSS Faculty Student Committee Member

“Emily’s extracurricular activities are laudable. The HIIM Department is very pleased that Emily is our student representative to the Minnesota Health Information Management Association. She is on the Executive Board for our Student Health Information Management Association (SHIMA), and is an active class representative to the Faculty/Student Committee (F/S Committee). Emily is involved in the Honors Society, Poetry Club, and Scholastica Forum.”

~Emily’s professor and advisor, Madonna LeBlanc, MA, RHIA, FAHIMA
Volunteerism in Action

“Emily was instrumental in planning and executing our recent organ transplantation awareness event on campus sponsored by SHIMA and F/S Committee. In her role as managing editor of the student-run newspaper at CSS, the Script, she arranged for a student reporter to conduct a pre- and post-event interview. She designed and distributed the event poster for the program and helped host the event that evening. The event was very moving, well attended and most successful thanks to her contributions.”

~Emily’s professor and advisor, Madonna LeBlanc, MA, RHIA, FAHIMA
On behalf of the MHIMA Nominating Committee, Board, and Membership...

Congratulations to Emily Kielmele on receiving the 2020 Outstanding Student Award!!