

Dear Admissions Committee,

My name is Anargyros Gkogkidis, and I am currently a Ph.D. candidate at the Department of Computer Sciences and Biomedical Informatics at the University of Thessaly. I am writing to express my keen interest in the Master's Degree program "Managing Digital Transformation in the Health Sector" (ManagiDiTH).

I hold a bachelor's degree from the Department of Computer Science and Biomedical Informatics, University of Thessaly, and a master's degree in Informatics and Computational Biomedicine, focusing on Computer and Telecommunication Systems Security, Big Data Management, and Simulation from the School of Sciences, University of Thessaly. My doctoral research concentrates on Design Methodologies for emerging technologies, emphasizing the integration of software and hardware co-design and Machine Learning.

Throughout my academic journey, I have actively participated in various digital health competitions. Notably, in 2018, I was awarded the first prize from EPICS IEEE for our project, "Home Assistive System for Dementia." Additionally, earlier this year, my team won the first prize at the GRAVITATE hackathon during Athens Digital Health Week. This collaborative effort between the Department of Computer Science and Biomedical Informatics and GNOMON Informatics S.A. resulted in an innovative solution providing personalized insights from SPC tailored to patient information input into the app.

For the past two and a half years, I have been involved in several EU Horizon projects, including UNICOM, XpanDH, xSHARE, and PATHeD, focusing on the extensions and adoptions of the European Health Record Exchange Format. Furthermore, over the past year, I have supported CEF activities, assisting countries such as Greece, Malta, and Ireland in their adoption and go-live processes for upcoming waves.

I am confident that the ManagiDiTH program will significantly enhance my knowledge and understanding of the digital health ecosystem. My professional experience has highlighted the critical importance of interoperability in digital health, yet I recognize gaps in my theoretical background that this program can fill. I believe that this master's program will provide me with the necessary tools and insights to excel in the field and contribute meaningfully to the advancement of digital health.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the opportunity to contribute to and grow within the ManagiDiTH program.

Sincerely,

Anargyros Gkogkidis