EDUCATIONAL SUMMIT
July 13 – 15, 2010 • Bloomington, MN

The Embassy Suites Hotel-Bloomington
2800 American Boulevard West, Bloomington, MN 55431

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What is an Educational Summit?

An HL7 Educational Summit is a two-day educational event where live tutorial sessions, specially selected by the HL7 Educational Committee, are taught to those interested in learning more about and implementing the HL7 standards and related work products. These tutorials focus on HL7-specific topics such as Version 2, Version 3 and Clinical Document Architecture as well as general interest industry topics such as Electronic Health Records and Vocabulary.

Why Should I Attend?

This is an invaluable educational opportunity for the healthcare IT community as it strives for greater interoperability among healthcare information systems. Our classes offer a wealth of information designed to benefit a wide range of HL7 users, from beginner to advanced. You’ll take away valuable HL7 knowledge and skills that you’ll be able to apply immediately in the real world.

Among the Benefits of Attending the HL7 Educational Summit Are:

LOCATION
Bloomington, MN – The Embassy Suites Hotel-Bloomington is just a few miles away from the Mall of America, Water Park of America and Nickelodeon Universe. The hotel offers a complimentary shuttle to these Bloomington attractions and the Minneapolis–St. Paul International Airport (MSP).

EFFICIENCY
Our concentrated two-day format provides maximum training with minimal time investment.

QUALITY
Our high-quality training in a small classroom setting promotes more one-on-one learning.

EXPERT INSTRUCTORS
You’ll get HL7 training straight from the source. Our instructors are not only HL7 experts—they are the people who help produce the HL7 standards.

CERTIFICATION TESTING
Become HL7 Certified. HL7 is the sole source for HL7 certification testing—now offering testing on Version 2.5/2.6, Clinical Document Architecture (CDA) and Version 3 Reference Information Model (RIM).

ECONOMICAL
Educational Summits offer a more economical alternative for companies who want the benefits of HL7’s on-site training but have fewer employees to train.

General Information

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY
Prepaid registrants who cancel prior to June 29, 2010, will receive a full refund minus a $50 processing fee. After that date no refunds will be given. Tutorials that do not meet minimum attendance requirements may be cancelled. In this event, registrants may attend an alternate tutorial of their choosing or request a refund for the cancelled tutorial only.
HOTEL
The Educational Summit will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Bloomington, 2800 American Boulevard West, Bloomington, MN 55431. To reserve your room, please call the hotel directly at +1 (800) 884-4811 or online at www.bloomington.embassysuites.com/health_level_seven_inc. Be sure to mention you are with the Health Level Seven room block. The hotel offers complimentary hi speed wireless Internet in all guest room suites. The special HL7 rate is $139 plus tax per night. You must register by end of day June 29, 2010 to receive this rate.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING
The hotel is located five miles from the Minneapolis–St. Paul International Airport (MSP). They offer a complimentary shuttle to and from the Minneapolis St-Paul Airport and the Mall of America. Once your plane has landed, please call the hotel directly at +1 (952) 884-4811 to arrange to have the shuttle pick you up. Self parking is also available at the hotel.

MEALS
A buffet lunch is included with each day’s tutorial registration fee. Lunch is from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm each day. Refreshment breaks will also be provided each day at 10:30 am and 3:00 pm. HL7 will not be providing breakfast because hotel guests receive a full hot breakfast included with their stay.

NETWORKING RECEPTION
The hotel offers a nightly manager’s reception every evening from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the Atrium for hotel guests.

How Do I Register?

MAIL
Please complete the registration form on the inside of this brochure and mail it (along with credit card information or a check payable to Health Level Seven International in U.S. funds drawn on a U.S. bank ONLY) to the following address:

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3300 Washtenaw Ave. Suite #227
Ann Arbor, MI 48104 USA

FAX
You may fax registration and credit card information to: +1 (734) 677-6622.

REGISTER ONLINE
Online registration is available until the end of the day E.T. on July 5, 2010 at www.HL7.org. For your convenience, you can pay via credit card directly on the website, or print the registration form and mail it with payment.

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION
Registrations and payment must reach us by the end of the day E.T. on June 29, 2010 to receive the special Early Bird rate. Please see the registration form on the inside back page.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION/PAYMENT
Advance registrations MUST include payment. Registrations received without payment will not be processed until the time that payment is received.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION
On-site registrations will be accepted July 13-15, 2010. Payment in full is required at the time of registration.
Introduction to Version 2.x, Part 1
Tuesday, July 13 / 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

This tutorial introduces students to HL7 and the basic concepts of Version 2. It covers some of the standard’s fundamental chapters including Control, Patient Administration, Order Entry and Results Reporting.

This Tutorial Will Benefit:
• Those new to HL7

Faculty:
Ted Klein, MS: Co-Chair, Vocabulary Work Group; Klein Consulting, Inc.

Introduction to Clinical Document Architecture (CDA)
Tuesday, July 13 / 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

The Clinical Document Architecture is HL7’s specification for standards-based exchange of clinical documents. CDA is based on the concept of scalable, incremental interoperability and uses Extensible Markup Language (XML), the HL7 Reference Information Model (RIM) and controlled terminology for structure and semantics. This tutorial presents the business case for CDA, its primary design principles and an overview of the technical specification. The session discusses CDA projects in the United States, Europe and Asia/Pacific; and the tools available for CDA creation, management and distribution. It covers the current work on various implementation guides based upon the CDA standard.

This Tutorial Will Benefit:
• Managers considering CDA for local implementation
• Product managers considering support for CDA
• Public health officials and those building information exchange networks
• Implementers beginning to work with CDA

Prerequisites:
• Introduction to Version 3 (Part 1) recommended

Faculty:
Calvin Beebe: Co-Chair, Structure & Semantic Design Steering Division—HL7 Technical Steering Committee; Co-Chair, HL7 Structured Documents Work Group; Co-Editor, CDA; Technical Specialist, Information Services, Mayo Clinic - Rochester, MN

Introduction to Vocabulary
Tuesday, July 13 / 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Brief topics include vocabulary use in information models, the CDA, and templates and information models. This tutorial will give a short overview of terminology concepts and some frequently used terminologies in HL7, as well as an introduction to Common Terminology Services. Some of these topics are dealt with more comprehensively in the Application of Vocabulary tutorial.

This Tutorial Will Benefit:
• Those seeking an overview to terminology in HL7, and LOINC and SNOMED in particular

Upon Completion of This Tutorial, Students Will Know:
• The basic role and integration of terminologies into HL7 messages
• An understanding of the LOINC and SNOMED systems

Faculty:
Russell Hamm: Co-Chair, HL7 Vocabulary Work Group; Informatics Consultant, Apelon, Inc.
Introduction to Version 2, Part 2
Tuesday, July 13 / 1:45 pm – 5:00 pm

This tutorial provides the students with an overview of the Version 2 Orders and Observations messages and major concepts and provides a sampling of the type of information that can be communicated using these messages.

This Tutorial Will Benefit:
• Those new to HL7 with a need to become familiar with Version 2 messages

Upon Completion of This Tutorial, Students Will Know:
• Basic Order and Observation message structures
• Sample messages
• How to start to interpret the Version 2 Orders and Observation standards

Faculty:
Ted Klein, MS: Co-Chair, Vocabulary Work Group; Klein Consulting, Inc.

Clinical Document Architecture (CDA) Advanced
Tuesday, July 13 / 1:45 pm – 5:00 pm

CDA implementation requires understanding the CDA refinement of the RIM (the CDA RMIM), the Version 3 data types and how these combine with controlled vocabularies to form “clinical statements.” This tutorial reviews the principles of semantic interoperability with CDA and how they are reflected in the CDA model and implemented in the CDA schema. It also covers the CDA RMIM, schema and data types and a detailed walkthrough of samples of CDA documents, coded using clinical statements.

This Tutorial Will Benefit:
• Those needing to learn more about CDA Release 2, its derivation from the RIM, and issues relevant to implementing CDA 2 solutions
• Implementers needing to work with CDA, and wanting a review of the details

Upon Completion of This Tutorial, Students Will:
• Have an overview of CDA's components
• Have insight into the XML markup required to implement solutions
• Have a better understanding of the issues surrounding semantic interoperability using CDA

Prerequisites:
• Completion of the Introduction to the Clinical Document Architecture (CDA) tutorial recommended, but not required.
• Basic knowledge of the Version 3 standards (as can be obtained from the Introduction to Version 3 tutorial series)

Faculty:
Calvin Beebe: Co-Chair, Structure & Semantic Design Steering Division—HL7 Technical Steering Committee; Co-Chair, HL7 Structured Documents Work Group; Co-Editor, CDA; Technical Specialist, Information Services, Mayo Clinic - Rochester, MN

Application of Vocabulary
Tuesday, July 13 / 1:45 pm – 5:00 pm

This Tutorial Will Cover the Following Topics:
• The need for using standard coded terminologies in HL7 messages
• Why the Vocabulary Work Group was created and its current role and mission within HL7
• A brief summary of Version 2.x terminology strategy
• An overview of the Version 3 coded data types
• How coded terminologies are represented in Version messages
• How to register terminologies for use in HL7 messages
• A brief overview of knowledge systems and terminology ontologies
• A brief summary of the purpose of the Common Terminology Services specification

This Tutorial Will Benefit:
• People who want to participate in the work of the Vocabulary Work Group, and people who are planning to implement Version 3 messages

Upon Completion of This Tutorial, Students Will Know:
• The history of the Vocabulary Work Group
• How to look up codes in the Version 2 tables
• How coded data is represented in Version 3 messages
• How to register a terminology for use in HL7 messages
• Who to ask if they have questions

Prerequisites:
• Introduction to Vocabulary

Faculty:
Russell Hamm: Co-Chair, HL7 Vocabulary Work Group; Informatics Consultant, Apelon, Inc.

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W7 Introduction to Version 3, Part 1: Fundamentals
Wednesday, July 14 / 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Introduction to Version 3 is a rigorous introduction to HL7’s newly emerging standard. Included in the class is:
• General rationale for Version 3
• Explanation of Version 3’s two key concepts: messaging and documents (CDA)
• Overview of the Version 3 publication (ballot and standard)
• Essential concepts and terminology necessary to understand the static models of Version 3 used for both messages and documents

This Tutorial Will Benefit:
• Anyone interested in Version 3 implementation or standards development
• Anyone interested in more advanced Version 3 classes on messaging and CDA

Upon Completion of This Tutorial, Students Will Have Obtained the Following:
• General understanding of the purpose, function, and format of Version 3 messaging and documents
• Rudimentary knowledge of the Reference Information Model (RIM) with a focus on act, role, act relationship, and participation
• Rudimentary understanding of Version 3 Refined Message Information Models (RMIMs) and the refinement process
• Knowledge of scope, contents, and organization of the Version 3 publications

Prerequisites:
• Experience with healthcare interfacing would be helpful
• Experience or training with systems (development, integration, and/or implementation) required
• It is assumed that the student has some familiarity with the HL7 organization and its processes (balloting procedures, etc.)

Faculty:
Virginia Lorenzi: Manager, NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital; Associate, Department of Biomedical Informatics, Columbia University

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Version 2 Message Profiles and Conformance
Wednesday, July 14 / 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

This course is designed to explore the concept of conformance within HL7 Version 2 as described in Chapter 2 of Version 2.5/2.6. Additionally, this tutorial will demonstrate how we can apply message profiling to interoperability by improving clarity, simplifying implementations and streamlining testing. Participants will be introduced to tools that facilitate analysis and interoperability while, at the same time, fully documenting HL7 conformance.

This Tutorial Will Benefit:
- Anyone interested in HL7 interoperability

Upon Completion of This Tutorial, Students Will Know:
- How to measure conformance using messaging profiling
- How vendors can document their applications’ implementations
- How providers can improve their RFP results by using message profiling
- How to use message profiles developed for specific domains
- The tools available to facilitate HL7 Version 2.x conformance efforts (Messaging Workbench and the Global Profile Library)
- More about HL7 conformance certification
- How to develop HL7 conformance documentation for Version 2

Prerequisites:
- Working knowledge of HL7 or other EDI standards (ASTM, X12)

Faculty:
Mike Henderson: Co-Chair, HL7 Education Work Group; Principal Consultant, Eastern Informatics

Electronic Health Record (EHR)
Wednesday, July 14 / 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

This informative tutorial and review provides an in-depth look at the ANSI and ISO-approved EHR System Functional Model, Release 1 (EHR-S FM) which includes conformance criteria. The tutorial will cover background information, including an overview of other EHR standards. It will also provide related industry background information, including a briefing on the standards initiatives of the Certification Commission for Health Information Technology (CCHIT) and Healthcare Information Technology Standards Panel (HITSP). The status of ongoing EHR Work Group projects like PHR, Glossary, Profiles and Interoperability Model will also be discussed.

This Tutorial Will Benefit:
- Those seeking information on functionality and standardization of Electronic Health Records
- This tutorial focuses on EHR system functionality and will be helpful for those looking to implement EHR systems, those wishing to evaluate EHR systems, or those that have an interest in garnering a bit or EHR system industry background information

Upon Completion of This Tutorial, Students Will Know:
- Background and status of the EHR-S Functional Model as an ANSI and ISO standard
- Options to use the Functional Model for conformance and care setting profiles
- Background and status on HL7 and industry projects supporting EHR standards

Note: This tutorial focuses on functionality, not interoperability. While interoperability is a component of functionality, this tutorial is primarily focused on core functionality, not systems integration. The EHR-S FM is a functional standard, not a records/data standard.
Faculty:  
*John Ritter:* Co-Chair, HL7 Electronic Health Records Work Group; Co-Chair, International Mentoring Committee; Manager, Health IT, Diagnostic Intelligence and Health IT Initiative, College of American Pathology

**Introduction to Version 3, Part 2: Messaging**  
Wednesday, July 14 / 1:45 pm – 5:00 pm

HL7 is famous as a provider of messaging standards. That is, providing the standard format and interaction specifications required for two disparate healthcare systems to communicate at the application level. This tutorial builds on the morning Version 3 introduction class by focusing on how messaging is addressed with the Version 3 Standard. It reviews and expands on how Version 3 static models are used to represent messages. The Version 3 dynamic model, which is related to the interactions between systems, is introduced. The tutorial explains how message sets are documented within the standard. Finally, it explores how a simple message is wrapped, transmitted, and acknowledged.


Students may be interested in reviewing or downloading the ballot material prior to class.

**The Tutorial Will Benefit:**
- Anyone who needs to read Version 3 messaging publications
- Anyone interested in Version 3 implementation or standards development
- Anyone interested in more advanced classes on Version 3

**Upon Completion of This Tutorial, Students Will Have Obtained the Following:**
- Rudimentary understanding of Version 3 static and dynamic models and associated terminology as needed to support Version 3 messaging
- General understanding of the following specific dynamic model concepts: storyboard, application role, trigger event, interaction
- General understanding of the following static model components: DMIM, HMD, and message type
- Summary of all functional areas in the current Version 3 ballot publication and their status
- Ability to read a Version 3 functional domain

**Prerequisites:**
- Introduction to Version 3, Part 1: Fundamentals

**Note:** Messaging builds directly on the concepts covered in Part 1 and is designed to be a continuation of the morning class. Most attendees of Messaging also take the Intro class. If you would like to take Messaging without the Intro please contact the instructor.

**Note:** It is assumed that the attendee has basic familiarity with Version 3, including a general understanding of the RIM and how to interpret the RMIMs. This is covered in the Introduction to Version 3, Part 1 class.

Faculty:  
*Virginia Lorenzi:* Manager, NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital; Associate, Department of Biomedical Informatics, Columbia University
Version 2.5/2.6 Control Specialist Certification Exam Review
Wednesday, July 14 / 1:45 pm – 5:00 pm

This tutorial reviews the message definition and processing rules and data type definitions of the Control chapters of the HL7 Version 2.5/2.6 Standard. Upon completion of this tutorial, students will be better prepared to take the HL7 Version 2.5/2.6 Control Specialist Certification Exam. Note that students are also expected to prepare for the exam by previous study of Chapter 2 (Control) and Chapter 2A (Data Types) of the HL7 Version 2.5/2.6 Standard.

This Tutorial Will Benefit:
- Anyone preparing for the HL7 Control Specialist Certification Exam
- Interface analyst specialists and managers who need to understand the technical aspects of HL7 interfaces

Faculty:
Ted Klein, MS: Co-Chair, Vocabulary Work Group; Klein Consulting, Inc.

CDA Specialist Certification Exam Review
Wednesday, July 14 / 1:45 pm – 5:00 pm

Upon completion of this tutorial, students will be better prepared to take the CDA Certification Exam.

This Tutorial Will Benefit:
- Anyone preparing for the CDA Certification Exam
- System analysts or clinical application developers wanting in-depth understanding of the CDA Release 2 Standard

Prerequisites:
- Participants are encouraged to read carefully the CDA Release 2 Standard
- Introduction to Version 3 (Part 1) as well as the CDA Introductory and Advanced tutorials are strongly recommended

Faculty:
Calvin Beebe: Co-Chair, Structure & Semantic Design Steering Division—HL7 Technical Steering Committee; Co-Chair, HL7 Structured Documents Work Group; Co-Editor, CDA; Technical Specialist, Information Services, Mayo Clinic - Rochester, MN

Certification Study Hall
Wednesday, July 14 / 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

HL7 recognizes and applauds the individual efforts required for certification. To help our examinees in their preparations, we will be providing a special study hall. All students signed up for a certification test are invited to attend. After formal tutorials are finished for the day, “cram” with your fellow test takers. HL7 faculty will be on hand to help students with any questions or concerns they may have.

HL7 Version 2.5/2.6 Certification Exam
Thursday, July 15 / 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Health Level Seven International is pleased to offer certification testing on HL7 Version 2.5/2.6, Chapter 2: Control. Certification testing is offered to those industry participants who are expected to have a working knowledge of the HL7 Messaging Standard. Interface analysts, healthcare systems analysts, medical software programmers, and medical informatics faculty and students are all potential candidates. The
knowledge required to pass the exam can be obtained by participation in the HL7 working group meetings, by attending HL7 education sessions, by field work dealing with HL7 interfaces, or simply by self-study of Chapter 2 and 2A of the HL7 Version 2.5/2.6 Standard (the standard may be obtained via HL7 International membership or non-member purchase on www.HL7.org).

**Note:** Simply taking the courses offered at this summit will most likely not be sufficient to pass the test. We strongly recommend a combination of the aforementioned to fully prepare yourself for the exam.

**HL7 CDA Certification Exam**
Thursday, July 15 / 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Health Level Seven International is pleased to offer certification testing on HL7 CDA Release 2. Certification testing is offered to those participants who want to demonstrate that they have a working knowledge of the CDA Release 2 Standard. Healthcare systems analysts, medical software programmers, and medical informatics faculty and students are all potential candidates.

The knowledge required to pass the exam can be obtained by attending HL7 education sessions, by field work dealing with HL7 CDA based applications, or simply by self-study of the HL7 CDA Release 2 Standard. Please refer to the Study Guide on the HL7 Training and Certification page of the HL7 website for details on the content covered by the test.

**Note:** Simply taking the courses offered at this summit will most likely not be sufficient to pass the test. We strongly recommend a combination of the aforementioned to fully prepare yourself for the exam.

**HL7 Version 3 RIM Certification Exam**
Thursday, July 15 / 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Health Level Seven International is pleased to offer certification testing on the HL7 Version 3 Reference Information Model (RIM) 2.11 (the version of the RIM on Version 3 Normative Edition 2006). Note that the RIM is the foundational base of all Version 3 artifacts. Certification testing is offered to those industry participants who are expected to have a working knowledge of the HL7 Version 3 RIM or its derived artifacts. Interface analysts, healthcare systems analysts, medical software programmers, and medical informatics faculty and students are all potential candidates.

The knowledge required to pass the exam can be obtained by self study of the RIM and its associated normative structural vocabulary as well as through participation in the HL7 working group meetings, HL7 education sessions, and field work implementing HL7 Version 3 artifacts. Please refer to the Study Guide on the HL7 Training and Certification page of the HL7 website for details on the content covered by the test.

**Note:** Simply taking the courses offered at this summit will most likely not be sufficient to pass the test. We strongly recommend a combination of the aforementioned to fully prepare yourself for the exam.
M E E T I N G  R E G I S T R A T I O N  F O R M

EARLY BIRD prices are reflected in RED below. EARLY BIRD registrations with payment must reach us by the end of the day, E.T. on June 29, 2010. Advance registration must be received with payment by the end of the day, E.T. on July 5, 2010. After this date, registrations must be made and paid for ON-SITE ONLY. The registration fee includes a buffet lunch and two refreshment breaks each day.

1. Contact Information:

First Name                  Last Name                  Nickname  
Title/Position              Organization                Email          

Address

City                          State                     Zip Code       Country

Telephone                   Fax

2. Registration Fees:

Registrants are eligible for all tutorials on the day(s) for which they’ve registered. However, HL7 Certification Testing is not included in the packages and must be registered for separately.

Options                  Members                  Non-Members
Single day: (Check One)    Early Bird                  Standard Rate          Early Bird                  Standard Rate
☐ Tues.       ☐ Wed.
Two day:                     $990                        $1,225                  $1,425                        $1,705
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HL7 V2.5/2.6 Certification Exam:
$145                          $145

HL7 CDA Certification Exam:
$145                          $145

HL7 V3 RIM Certification Exam:
$145                          $145

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3. Payment Information:

Payment must be included in order to process your registration.  
Method of Payment: (U.S. Dollars, drawn on U.S. Bank Only)                  ☐ Check (Make check payable to Health Level Seven International)
Credit Card:  ☐ Visa       ☐ Master Card       ☐ Discover       ☐ American Express

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4. Schedule of Tutorials:

IMPORTANT: Check the box(es) next to the classes for which you’re registering. Schedule is subject to change.

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Ann Arbor, MI 48104, USA

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You will receive a confirmation of registration by email. If you do not receive confirmation within two weeks, please contact Mary Ann Boyle at +1 (734) 677-7777. Please bring your confirmation materials to the meeting with you.
With a beautiful location on the banks of the Minnesota River, the city of Bloomington has much to offer travelers. Not only is it home to the world-famous Mall of America® (MOA), but this city of 85,000 also houses the stunning Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge, Water Park of America, an extensive system of hiking and biking trails and much more. Twin Cities visitors also enjoy Bloomington’s many travel conveniences, including its central location and proximity to the airport. Bloomington also offers free parking, free hotel shuttles to the airport and MOA, and the Hiawatha light rail line, which runs from the MOA, to Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport and downtown Minneapolis.

The city of Bloomington’s #1 attraction by far, is Mall of America, the largest shopping center in the United States, welcoming over 40 million visitors annually. This shopping mecca boasts 2.5 million square feet of retail space, over 500 stores and countless entertainment options that range from nightclubs to the Nickelodeon Universe® amusement park to a 14-screen cinema.

Another popular Bloomington destination is the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge, spanning 14,000 acres, with miles of hiking and biking trails, prime bird-watching opportunities, and an extensive visitors center.

Whether you’re interested in local bands, dancing or bar hopping, Bloomington entertainment and nightlife is sure to entice. The Twin Cities metropolis boasts countless trendy nightspots, but it’s also home to many neighborhood bars, comedy clubs and pubs. Sports enthusiasts can catch the game at a local sports bar, while club-goers can dance the night away at stylish Twin Cities dance clubs. Dining in Bloomington promises to be an unforgettable experience, as this bustling city showcases a variety of unique culinary styles. International fusion, classic American and local favorites are among the many different types of cuisine you’ll find here. With all these great attractions, fine restaurants, and convenient location, it’s easy to see why the city of Bloomington is home to more hotels than Minneapolis and St. Paul combined - over 35 total, ranging from luxury to economy to suit families, tourist groups and business travelers alike.

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