

Health Information Technology A.A.S. (HIT)

The Health Information Technology Associate Degree program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM).

This program focuses on automated health information processing, reporting, and retrieval. Upon completion of this program, the student will be able to read objectively, analyze medical records and other related health data, supervise functional areas of the health information department and act effectively and efficiently in any institution that handles healthcare data.

Upon successful completion of this program, graduates:

- demonstrate the ability to meet the entry-level competencies of AHIMA.
- apply to AHIMA for eligibility to sit for the national RHIT exam.
- take an active role in local, state and national health information management associations.
- practice competently as health information technicians in professional entry-level employment in various types of healthcare settings.

First Semester		Credits
HIT 110	Introduction to Health Information Science	3
HIT 120	Medical Terminology	3
BIO 163	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
ENG 105	Research and Composition	3
CIS 105	Introduction to Computers and Applications	3
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Second Semester		
HIT 130	Health Information in Alternate Settings	4
HIT 140	Health Law	3
HIT 150	Clinical Documentation Improvement	3
BIO 164	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
Elective	Social Science	3
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Third Semester		
HIT 210	Health Information Reporting	3
HIT 255	CPT Coding and Other Classification Systems	3
ENG 106 or ENG 107	Introduction to Literature Writing in the Workplace	3
HIT 240	Advanced Medical Terminology and Pathophysiology	3
Elective	Social Science	3
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Fourth Semester		
HIT 200	Health Information Processing	3
HIT 220	Health Information Management Practicum	3
HIT 230	Professional Practice Experience	4
HIT 250	ICD-10-CM/PCS Coding and Classification System	3
Elective*	Free Elective	3
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Credit Total		64

*Recommended Free Elective: HIT 260.

Prior Learning Assessment: Previous job training, certificates and work experience that may qualify for college credit (*see academic advisor*).

Gateway Courses: Based on placement testing in reading, writing and math, these prerequisite courses may have to be taken before placement in College English or Mathematics beginning the first semester and concurrently.

RSS 099	Basic Skills Reading	3
RSS 100	Critical Reading	3
ENG 099	Basic Skills Writing	3
ENG 100	Fundamentals of Writing	3
MAT 090	Mathematical Literacy	6
ESL 251	English for Academic Purpose	6
		<i>(Required for ESL students only.)</i>

Please note, taking gateway courses will increase your time for completion.