Associate Degree Program

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

ABOUT THIS DEGREE PROGRAM

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CORE-DEGREE COURSEWORK

Health Information Technology

| HIT111 | Basic Medical Terminology |
| HIT120 | Introduction to Health Services and Information Systems |
| HIT141 | Health Information Processes with Lab |
| HIT170 | Health Information Fundamentals Practicum |
| HIT203 | International Classification of Diseases Coding I with Lab |
| HIT205 | International Classification of Diseases Coding II with Lab |
| HIT211 | Current Procedural Terminology Coding with Lab |
| HIT220 | Legal and Regulatory Issues in Health Information |
| HIT226 | Data Applications and Healthcare Quality with Lab |
| HIT230 | Health Insurance and Reimbursement |
| HIT272 | Health Information Practicum Capstone |
| HIT272L | RHIT Certification Preparation |

¹ For all students, this practicum course requires a substantial number of hours of professional practice time in an approved external healthcare setting. Practice time is generally completed during traditional business hours.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Health Information Technology associate online degree program at DeVry University is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM), www.cahiim.org. The most recent information on the status of programs accredited by CAHIIM is available at www.devry.edu.

Graduating from a CAHIIM-accredited program offers employers assurance that you have the expected professional knowledge and skills and have experienced a curriculum that is relevant to today's electronic health record environment. Completion of a CAHIIM-accredited program is an eligibility requirement for graduates to take the AHIMA Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT®) Exam.

Courses in blue are part of the DeVry Tech Path

Programs, course requirements and availability vary by location. Some courses may be available online only. All students enrolled in site-based programs will be required to take some coursework online and, for some programs and locations, a substantial portion of the program may be required to be completed online. DeVry’s academic catalog, available via devry.edu/catalogs, contains the most current and detailed program information, including admission, progression and graduation requirements. Information contained herein is effective as of date of publishing.
CAREERS IN HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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