



Associate Degree Program HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

QUICK FACTS

69

CREDIT HOURS
minimum credit hours
required for graduation

13%

GROWTH NATIONALLY FROM 2016-2026
FOR EMPLOYMENT OF MEDICAL RECORDS AND HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNICIANS¹

1 + 4

YEAR MONTHS
minimum length
to graduation²

¹<https://www.bls.gov/osh/healthcare/medical-records-and-health-information-technicians.htm>. Data reflects a national projected percentage change in employment from 2016-2026 and may not reflect local economic conditions. ²Not including breaks. Assumes year-round, full-time enrollment. Additional program information may be found at <https://www.devry.edu/degree-programs.html>

ABOUT THIS DEGREE PROGRAM

As the healthcare system strives to provide more efficient and effective care, electronic recording and access to patient information has become a major industry goal.

Our curriculum is based on current associate degree entry-level competencies outlined by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA). You can learn how to capture digital health information using current coding and chart management software, in addition to having the opportunity to get hands-on, real world experience during two practicums.

Through our TechPath approach, we've put technology at the core of our programs in business, tech and health – including this program. Every TechPath class you take revolves around a unique learning rubric developed at DeVry. We call it People-Process-Data-Devices or P2D2. You'll gain real skills in collaboration, be able to adapt to new structures, and be comfortable working with data and a wide spectrum of tech-forward tools. P2D2 is a key component of what makes TechPath a smart, new way of getting the knowledge you need to be ready to hit the ground running in the way successful companies work today.

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSEWORK

Communication Skills

ENGL112 Composition

Humanities

ETHC232 Ethical and Legal Issues in the Professions

Social Sciences

SOCS185 Culture and Society

Mathematics and Natural Sciences

BIOS105 Fundamentals of Human Anatomy and Physiology with Lab

BIOS260 Fundamentals of Pathophysiology

BIOS275 Pharmacology and Medical Treatment

MATH103 Beginning Algebra

Personal and Professional Development

CARD205 Career Development

COLL148 Critical Thinking and Problem-Solving

Computer Applications

BIS155 Data Analysis with Spreadsheets with Lab

COMP100 Computer Applications for Business with Lab

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

HIT272L¹ 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.



Associate Degree Program Health Information Technology

COLLEGE OF
HEALTH SCIENCES

CAREERS IN HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

In addition to making sure that medical records are complete and accurate, health information technicians must ensure that all records are maintained in accordance with the law. Technical knowledge of health and systems must be combined with data entry and retrieval, admission and discharge functions, and the ability to process and prepare necessary insurance and audit forms.

With an associate degree in Health Information Technology from DeVry University, you can have not only the procedural and regulatory knowledge, but also a strong technical background. By acquiring this knowledge, you can be prepared to modify and recommend medical records technology solutions in your area of employment.

Graduates of DeVry University's associate in Health Information Technology degree program may consider careers including, but not limited to, the following:

- Medical Coder/Biller
- Medical Coding Specialist
- Medical Records and Health Information Technician
- Medical Records Analyst
- Medical Records Supervisor¹

¹Employment in this occupation may require years of relevant experience.

For comprehensive consumer information, visit devry.edu/studentconsumerinfo. Important information about the education debt, earnings and completion rates of students who attended this program can be found at devry.edu/bhit-ge. For additional program information, visit devry.edu/bhit.

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DeVry University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission (HLC), <http://www.hlcommission.org>. Keller Graduate School of Management is included in this accreditation. DeVry is certified to operate by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia. Arlington Campus: 2450 Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA 22202. DeVry University is authorized for operation as a postsecondary educational institution by the Tennessee Higher Education Commission. www.tn.gov/thee Nashville Campus: 3343 Perimeter Hill Dr., Nashville, TN 37211. Program availability varies by location. In site-based programs, students will be required to take a substantial amount of coursework online to complete their program. ©2018 DeVry Educational Development Corp. All rights reserved. Version 08/7/18

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY — Learn medical terminology, including the foundations of words used to describe the human body and its conditions, terminology for medical procedures, the names of commonly prescribed medications and common abbreviations.

HEALTH SERVICES AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS — Explore the history and organization of, and current issues in, the U.S. healthcare delivery system, including interrelationships among system components and care providers.

INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES CODING — Study the principles and guidelines for using the International Classification of Diseases system to code diagnoses and procedures in an inpatient setting.

LEGAL AND REGULATORY ISSUES IN HEALTH INFORMATION — Examine legal and regulatory issues in healthcare, with an emphasis on their application to healthcare information services and the documentation of care.

HEALTH INSURANCE AND REIMBURSEMENT — Explore reimbursement and payment methodologies applicable to healthcare provided in various U.S. settings as it relates to relevant forms, processes, practices and the roles of health information professionals.

PROCESS INFORMATION — Compile codes, categories, calculations, tabulations and audits, or verify information or data.

DOCUMENT/RECORD INFORMATION — Enter, transcribe, store or maintain information in written or electronic form.

EVALUATE INFORMATION — Use relevant information and individual judgment to determine whether events or processes comply with laws, regulations or standards.

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