UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM | HEALTH

MEDICAL BILLING AND CODING
Specialization: Health Information Coding

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

DIGITAL HEALTH CORE
DeVry University’s Digital Health Core program is designed to help students develop a set of interdisciplinary skills for today’s rapidly evolving health information field. Courses explore principles used throughout the healthcare ecosystem and provide students hands-on experience working with industry-standard software systems and simulated patient records.

IS THIS PROGRAM FOR YOU?
Interested in working with medical records and assisting healthcare facilities in achieving operational efficiencies? Explore a career in this growing field of health services by pursuing your interest in medical billing and coding.

A PROGRAM TO FUEL YOUR FUTURE
The program is designed to teach students the basic coding skills needed to learn:

- How to capture digital health information using coding and chart management software
- Medical terminology and health records related to healthcare
- How to accurately record, register, submit and track patient information

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Graduates of DeVry University’s Medical Billing and Coding certificate program may consider careers including, but not limited to, the following:

- Inpatient Coder
- Medical Coder
- Coding Specialists
- Hospital Coders
- Inpatient Coding Auditors
- Coding Educators

QUICK FACTS

| CREDIT HOURS | 40 | minimum credit hours required for graduation |
| COURSES | 13 |
| GROWTH | 8% | nationally from 2021-2031 for employment of Medical Records Specialists |

CCS EXAM PREPARATION
Employers often look for candidates with industry certifications to staff their workforce. That’s why DeVry University offers certification preparation to help students prepare to pursue AHIMA’s Certified Coding Specialist (CCS) exam - a critical step in advancing your career. Eligible students receive a complimentary voucher for one exam attempt to support them in the attainment of this credential.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION

ACCELERATE YOUR SCHEDULE
Choose the schedule that best fits your goals and commitments. You can earn your Undergraduate Certificate in as little as 1 year 2 months. Or, follow a normal schedule and complete your program in 1 year 6 months.

*Per 12-month period, assumes completion of 3 semesters, enrollment in 3-13 credit hours per semester and continuous, full-time year-round enrollment with no breaks.

**Per 12-month period, assumes completion of 2 semesters and full-time enrollment in 3-13 credit hours per semester.

1 https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/medical-records-and-health-information-technicians.htm. Growth projected on a national level. Local growth will vary by location. BLS projections are not specific to DeVry University students or graduates and may include earners at all stages of their career and not just entry level.
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WHAT YOU’LL LEARN

NATURAL SCIENCES
• Understand the human body structure and functions
• Explore drug therapies and the conditions they are prescribed to treat

DIGITAL HEALTH CORE
• Learn medical terminology to read and understand medical documentation
• Review medical data to ensure quality and integrity
• Audit records to ensure compliance with standards
• Examine legal and regulatory issues in healthcare
• Study US healthcare delivery systems and processes
• Explore healthcare reimbursement and payment methodologies

MEDICAL CODING
• Apply current procedural terminology codes with particular focus on inpatient procedure coding
• Study the principles and guidelines for using the International Classification of Diseases system to code diagnoses and procedures
• Review core learning domains and prepare to pursue industry certification
• Apply medical coding knowledge to complex case studies
• Gain knowledge of advanced coding techniques and guidelines
• Apply International Classification of Diseases diagnosis and procedure codes for hospital inpatient procedure coding

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
• Review core learning domains: health information documents; diagnosis and procedure coding; and regulatory guidelines and reporting requirements for Acute Care (Inpatient) service.
• Prepare to pursue AHIMA’s Certified Coding Specialist (CCS) exam.

PROGRAM

NATURAL SCIENCES
BIOS105 Fundamentals of Human Anatomy and Physiology
BIOS268* Pathopharmacology

DIGITAL HEALTH CORE
HIT111 Basic Medical Terminology
HIT125 Electronic Health Records & Digital Health
HIT223 Medical Ethics, Compliance and Patient Privacy
HIT235 Health Insurance Billing and Reimbursement

MEDICAL CODING
HIT206 CPT Coding with Application
HIT214 ICD Coding I with Application
HIT215* ICD Coding II with Application
HIT217* Advanced Coding

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
HIT101 Professional Skills for Healthcare
HIT260* Coding and Practicum with Lab
HIT264* CCS Review

*Graduates of DeVry University’s Medical Billing and Coding (MBC) Certificate Program can complete these additional courses within the MBC-Health Information Coding Certificate program to earn it as a second credential. If interested, graduates of the MBC Certificate Program are required to complete another application through Admissions. Current MBC Certificate Program students may connect with their Student Support Advisor for more information.

EARN A CREDENTIAL AT EVERY STEP

13 COURSES
CERTIFICATE

20 COURSES
ASSOCIATE

37 COURSES
BACHELOR’S

HOW DO CREDENTIALS STACK?

When you earn a Medical Billing and Coding – Health Information Coding Certificate, eligible courses you complete in the program apply to your Associate degree in Health Information Technology. When you complete the associate, eligible courses apply to our Bachelor’s in Technical Management with a specialization in Health Information Management. Build your confidence – and your resume – when you start your journey at DeVry.*

*The figures displayed represent the minimum credit hours required for graduation. Additional coursework may be necessary to complete program requirements. At the time of application to the next credential level, an evaluation of qualifying transfer credit will occur and the most beneficial outcome will be applied. Future programmatic changes could impact the application of credits to a future program. Refer to the academic catalog for details.

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