

Health Information Technology Associate of Applied Science (HI13)

DESCRIPTION

The Health Information Technology program is a sequence of courses designed to provide students with the technical knowledge and skills necessary to process, maintain, analyze, and report health information data according to legal, accreditation, licensure and certification standards for reimbursement, facility planning, marketing, risk management, utilization management, quality assessment and research. Program graduates will develop leadership skills necessary to serve in a functional supervisory role in various components of the health information system.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of the Associate of Applied Science Degree in Health Information Technology are prepared for professional positions in hospitals, physicians' offices, state and federal health care agencies, clinics, managed care organizations, behavioral health facilities, consulting and law firms, ambulatory care facilities, information system vendors, insurance companies, and long-term care facilities.

ACCREDITATION

The Health Information Technology program is accredited by the American Health Information Management Association, Commission on Education Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management. Commission on Education Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management may be contacted at 233 N. Michigan Ave., 21st floor, Chicago, IL 60601-5800, Ph. 312.233.1100.

LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION

Students completing the Associate of Applied Science degree in Health Information Technology will be eligible to take the American Health Information Technology National Examination for certification as a Registered Health Information Technologist (RHIT).

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

1. Submit a completed application and application fee;
 2. Be at least 16 years of age;
 3. Submit official high school transcript or GED transcript;
 4. Submit official college transcripts, if applicable;
- Meet the following assessment requirements:

TEST	Reading	Writing	Numerical	Algebra
COMPASS	79	62	NA	37
SAT	450	NA	440	NA
ACT	17	16	19	NA

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CURRICULUM

The curriculum for the Health Information Technology degree program is designed for the semester system. A student may enter the program any semester for general education courses but only fall semester for program courses. To graduate, degree-seeking students must earn a minimum of 64 semester credit hours. The program requires a minimum of 1185 contact hours and generally takes 6 semesters to complete.

<u>Program Courses</u>	<u>Credits</u>
General Education Core	15
Area I - Language Arts/Communications	3
ENGL 1101 - Composition and Rhetoric* (OL)	
Area II - Social/Behavioral Sciences	3
PSYC 1101-Introduction to Psychology	
SOCI 1101-Introduction to Sociology	

ECON 1101-Principles of Economics	
ECON 2105-Macroeconomics	
Area III - Natural Sciences/Mathematics – Select 1	3
MATH 1100 - Quantitative Skills and Reasoning	
MATH 1101 - Mathematical Modeling	
MATH 1111 - College Algebra (OL)	
Area IV - Humanities/Fine Arts	3
ENGL 2130-American Literature	
HUMN 1101-Humanities	
MUSC 1101-Music Application	
Program-Specific Requirements	3
General Core Elective	
Occupational Courses	49
HIMT 1100 - Introduction to Health Information Technology (OL)	3
HIMT 1350 – Pharmacotherapy* (OL)	2
COMP 1000 - Introduction to Computers* (OL)	3
BIOL 2113 - Anatomy and Physiology I*	3
BIOL 2113L - Anatomy and Physiology Lab I*	1
HIMT 1250 - Health Record Content and Structure* (OL)	2
BIOL 2114 - Anatomy and Physiology II*	3
BIOL 2114L - Anatomy and Physiology Lab II*	1
HIMT 1150 - Computer Applications in Healthcare (OL)	2
HIMT 2200 - Performance Improvement (OL)	2
HIMT 1200 - Legal Aspects of Healthcare* (OL)	2
MAST 1120 - Human Pathological Conditions in the Medical Office (OL)	3
HIMT 1400 - Coding and Classification I - ICD Coding* (OL)	4
HIMT 2300 - Healthcare Management (OL)	3
HIMT 2150 - Healthcare Statistics (OL)	2
HIMT 1410 - Coding and Classification II - ICD Advanced Coding* (OL)	3
HIMT 2400 - Coding and Classification System III - CPT/HCPCS Coding (OL)	3
HIMT 2410 - Revenue Cycle Management (OL)	2
HIMT 2460 - Health Information Technology Practicum	3
ALHS 1090 – Medical Terminology for Allied Health Sciences* (OL)	2

(OL) designation indicates course may be available online during selected semesters. * "C" or higher grade is required for this course.

PROGRAM COSTS

Tuition/Fees: \$5,880

Books/Supplies: \$2,000

Uniform Costs: \$50

Liability Insurance: \$11 per fiscal year
Certification Exam: AHIMA Member \$229/Nonmember \$ 299
Physical Exam: \$150
TB Test: \$40
Hepatitis B Series: \$265
Criminal Background Check: \$39-\$80
#4402 Forensic Drug Panel (7) or similar screening: \$25
(Costs are estimates and are subject to change.)

CLINICAL EDUCATION

Number of Clinical Sites: 10

General Location of the Clinical Sites:

Bulloch, Candler, Chatham, and Screven

Special Requirements of the Clinical Sites:

5. A medical exam stating that the student is in good health. This must include documentation of TB skin testing, all required immunizations, including Hepatitis B. Students who refuse the Hepatitis B vaccination series must sign a declination form and be aware that clinical sites may refuse to accept them. Forms will be provided by the instructor;
6. Facility Orientation
7. Criminal Background Check

Clinical Education Courses

The Health Information Technology practicum experience provides students with an opportunity for in-depth application and reinforcement of principles and techniques in a health information department setting. The clinical practicum allows the student to become involved in a work situation at a professional level of technical application, and requires observation, practice, and follow through.

The practicum requires that the student spend a minimum of 9 hours a week in a supervised work setting, for a total of 135 hours. Students may not receive pay from the clinical site for practicum hours. If the student misses more than 9 hours, he/she will automatically be dropped from the course. Students are evaluated by the clinical site preceptor and the course instructor.

Clinical Assignments

Clinical times may range 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. However, some clinical sites may be scheduled to include shift work. Clinical sites are selected by the program coordinator. Students are responsible for having reliable transportation to the site.

TOP 10 REASONS

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