

ACADEMIC CERTIFICATE

Medical Coding

MDC.CT

CODE	COURSE	CREDITS	CODE	COURSE	CREDITS
First Semester			Third Semester		
ENG-101	English Composition I	3	HIT-132	Basic Pharmacology	3
BIO-103	Human Biology ¹	3	HIT-135	Medical Coding Internship ²	2
CSC-101	Computer Literacy	3	HIT-215	Advanced Ambulatory Coding	3
HIT-101	Introduction to Health Information	3	HIT-240	Diagnostic and Procedural Coding II	4
HIT-120	Medical Terminology	3			12
		15		Total Minimum Credits	39
Second Semester					
HIT-115	Healthcare Reimbursement	3			
HIT-130	Introduction to Ambulatory Coding	3			
HIT-134	Basic Pathophysiology	3			
HIT-140	Diagnostic and Procedural Coding I	3			
		12			

¹ If students wish to take the Health Information Technology degree program (HIT.AAS) they will need to substitute Basic Anatomy & Physiology I & II (BIO 117, BIO 118) for Human Biology (BIO 103).

² Permission of Program Director required prior to registering for this course.

NOTICE: Clinical placements are a required part of the curriculum and a requirement for graduation. Clinical placements may require a criminal background check, health clearance and/or drug testing before participation is allowed. Clinical sites may deny a student's participation in the event of a positive finding. Individuals who have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor may be denied certification or licensure as a health professional. Information regarding eligibility may be obtained from the appropriate credentialing body.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This certificate prepares students for employment in a variety of areas that require coding expertise. This program is approved by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA).

PROGRAM GOALS

- The Medical Coding program will demonstrate responsiveness to the needs of the communities of interest.
- The Medical Coding curriculum will include, at minimum, the required knowledge clusters and experiences needed by students to meet current entry-level competencies.
- Program graduates will demonstrate entry-level competencies needed for medical coders.
- To provide students with General Education courses.

PROGRAM STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of the program, the graduate will be able to:
Assign, analyze and validate coding and coding data for accuracy and compliance with federal coding guidelines

PROGRAM INFORMATION

The Medical Coding certificate program can be completed online.

APPROVAL

This program is approved by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA).

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Acute care hospitals
- Physician's office
- Ambulatory surgical centers
- Private billing organizations
- Insurance companies

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Highlight

The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates a shortage of more than 50,000 qualified HIM and HIT workers.