

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, A.A.S.

The Health Information Technology program is an Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree accredited by Commission Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information and Informatics Management (CAHIIM). Health Information professionals are integral to the success of health care organizations as they are the link between clinicians, administrators, insurance companies and patients. The field is generally considered to be the business side of health care and is an essential part of quality health care.

While not involved directly with patient care, Health Information professionals care for patients by keeping their health records accurate, accessible, protected and complete. They are the hub from which health data is compiled, managed and disseminated for patient care, reimbursement, compliance and research. Health Information professionals are found in a variety of health care settings including hospitals, surgical centers, home health, rehabilitation and skilled nursing facilities and many have the opportunity to work remotely.

Upon successful completion of the program, students are eligible to take the Registered Health Information Technology (RHIT) national credentialing exam offered by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA). This degree prepares students for other industry credentials including the Certified Coding Specialist-Physician-based (CCS-P) and the Certified Professional Coder (CPC) awarded by the APCC. The **Health Information Technology degree** requires 64 credits in program requirements along with general education requirements. Students must complete all courses in this program with a grade of C or higher.

For more information about Health Information Technology, please visit the program of study page (<http://www.cod.edu/hit/>).

This degree requires program application and admission; please visit the above link for details.

Degree Requirements

Field of Study Code: HIT.AAS

Code	Title	Credits
General Education Requirements		
ANAT 1500	Survey of Human Anatomy and Physiology ²	4-8
or ANAT 1551 & ANAT 1552	Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Human Anatomy and Physiology II	
or ANAT 1571 & ANAT 1572	Anatomy and Physiology With Cadaver I and Anatomy and Physiology With Cadaver II	
CIS 1150	Understand Computers/Information/Systems ²	3
ENGLI 1105	Workplace Writing ^{1 2}	3
or ENGLI 1101	English Composition I	
HUMNT 1102	Introduction to Humanities: Ideas and Values ³	3
PSYCH 1100	General Psychology	3
SPEEC 1100	Fundamentals of Speech Communication	3
Program Required Courses		

HLTHS 1110	Biomedical Terminology ²	3
HIT 1130	Survey of Health Information Management	4
HIT 1107	CPT Coding	3
PSYCH 2280	Statistics/Social & Behavioral Sciences	3
or SOCIO 2205	Statistics for the Social and Behavioral Sciences	
HIT 1140	Disease and Pharmacology for Health Information Technology	4
HIT 1110	Diagnostic Coding	3
HIT 1210	Health Information Statistics and Analysis	3
HIT 2110	Health Information Law and Compliance	4
HIT 1109	Inpatient Procedural Coding	3
CIS 1221	Data Analysis with Spreadsheets	3
HIT 1217	Revenue Cycle Management	4
HIT 2208	Advanced Medical Coding	3
HIT 2240	Health Information Organizational Management and Leadership	3
HIT 2250	Health Information Technology Capstone	2
Total Credits		64-68

¹ Previous credit for ENGLI 1101 English Composition I will be accepted, students new to program should take ENGLI 1105 Workplace Writing.

² Program requisite

³ HUMNT 1102 Introduction to Humanities: Ideas and Values is recommended, but students can take any Humanities course that meets the AAS general education requirement.

General Education Requirements

For general education requirements for the A.A.S. degree, please visit the A.A.S. degree catalog page (<https://catalog.cod.edu/associate-degree-programs/associate-applied-science-degree/>).