



CROWDER COLLEGE



Associate of Applied Science

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Health Information Technology Program

The challenge of tomorrow's healthcare calls for smart, talented, highly skilled personnel who work at the intersection of healthcare, business, and information technology. The Health Information Technology Associate of Applied Science degree at Crowder College prepares graduates with the technical skills necessary to become a Health Information Technician. Students will become proficient in organizing and analyzing patient's health information for completeness and accuracy, coding of diagnoses and procedures, applying policies and regulations in the release and management of protected health information, applying regulatory and accreditation standards to identify and support documentation compliance, identifying areas of quality assurance/performance improvement that relate to risk management, utilization review, and documentation compliance as well as supervision of personnel. Crowder College Health Information Technology degree is accredited by the Commission on accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management education (CAHIIM).

Program Outcomes

- Manage patient health information using appropriate software
- Become proficient in coding diagnoses and procedures using current coding classification systems such as ICD and CPT
- Perform qualitative and quantitative analysis of health care data
- Demonstrate an understanding of the medico-legal aspects of patient health information
- Manage healthcare data statistics and prepare presentation reports
- Demonstrate an understanding of the operation and uses of an electronic health record
- Demonstrate an understanding of healthcare quality management and process improvement
- Understand human resource and management guidelines for healthcare
- Demonstrate knowledge of healthcare compliance and risk management

Potential Careers

- Coding and Reimbursement Specialist
- Clinical Data Specialist
- Patient Information Coordinator
- Data Quality Manager
- Health Information Manager
- Privacy and/or Security Officer
- Physician's Office Manager
- Electronic Document Manager
- Compliance Officer

Salary

For salary and wage information, visit missourieconomy.org or bls.gov

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SUGGESTED PLAN OF STUDY

HIT professionals are highly trained in the latest information management technology applications and understand the workflow in any healthcare provider organization from large hospital systems to the private physician practice. They are vital to the daily operations management of health information and electronic health records. Start your HIT career by enrolling in the Health Information Technology A.A.S. Degree today!



FIRST YEAR				SECOND YEAR					
First Semester (fall)				Fourth Semester (fall)					
COLL	101	College Orientation	1	ENGL	102	English Composition II*	3		
ENGL	101	English Composition I*	3	HIT	115	Health Info Mgmt Sys* (Fall only)	3		
HIT	110	Intro to Health Info Technology	3	HIT	250	Qlty Mgmt in Health.* (Fall only)	3		
HIT	180	Survey of A&P (Fall Only)	5	HIT	280	Healthcare Statistics* (Fall only)	3		
OA	215	Medical Terminology	3	SPCH	101	Fundamentals of Speech*	3		
			TOTAL HOURS	15				TOTAL HOURS	15
Second Semester (spring)				Fifth Semester (spring)					
BSAD	125	Computer Applications	3	HIT	200	Alt Healthcare Del Sys* (Spring)	3		
HIT	210	Pathophysiology w/Pharmacology for HIT* (Spring only)	3	HIT	260	Healthcare Law & Ethics* (Spring)	3		
HIT	220	ICD Coding* (Spring only)	3	HIT	270	Mgmt for Healthcare (Spring only)	3		
HIT	230	CPT Coding* (Spring only)	3	HIT	290	Clinical Application Experience*	3		
MATH	107	Intro to Mathematics (or higher)	3	PSYC	101	Gen Psychology – OR – SOC 101	3		
			TOTAL HOURS	15				TOTAL HOURS	15
Third Semester (summer)				TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED 66					
HIT	240	Applied Coding* (Summer only)	3	* Prerequisite required					
HIST	106	US Hist. – OR – PLSC 103	3	Crowder College Health Information Technology AAS degree program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM).					
			TOTAL HOURS	6					

This Suggested Plan of Study is based on course offerings at the Neosho Campus and online. Adjustments in scheduling may need to be made based on other campus course offerings. This is just one possible plan. The length of time to complete the program may vary for each student. In addition, based on placement results, individuals may need to take additional courses for academic remediation.

Getting Started

- **Complete an Application for Admission**—\$25 application fee must accompany your application. Applications may be completed online by clicking the Apply Now! link
- **Take a Placement Exam**—(COMPASS or ACT) COMPASS is a computerized placement exam that will help your academic advisor place you in the correct English, Reading and Math classes. Call 417-455-5433 or any off-campus site to schedule a testing time. For more information concerning COMPASS, please visit our website.
- **Review the Schedule of Classes**—This will give you a chance to become familiar with the types of classes Crowder College has to offer. Check out the Course Schedules under the Academics tab on the “My Crowder” link.
- **Enroll During Open Enrollment**—Check the website or Announcements for current dates.
- **Provide Your Academic History** -Have your high school transcript or GED scores, plus any previous college transcripts, sent to our Records Office.
- **Make Payment Arrangements**—Payment arrangements must be made by the first day of regular enrollment: cash, payment plan, scholarship, financial aid. Apply for financial aid online at www.fafsa.gov, Crowder College School Code: 002459. All A+ Program and CAMP students must complete the FAFSA.
- **Financial Aid** Various forms of financial aid are available to qualified students, including scholarships, loans and grants. Scholarship information and applications are available on the Crowder College website: www.crowder.edu. Students may complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid online at: www.fafsa.gov