MEDICAL CODING - LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE

College of the Mainland offers courses for students interested in Health Information Management, which includes Medical Coding. A Health Information Technician performs a variety of health information-related functions, including organization, analysis, coding and technical evaluation of health information and interaction with administrative and financial departments in a variety of systems, hospitals, clinics and other health care settings.

Students who successfully complete the AAS degree are eligible to sit for a national exam through the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) to become Registered Health Information Technicians (RHIT).

Upon completion of the Medical Coding Certificate, students may sit for the Certified Coding Association (CCA) exam sponsored by AHIMA and the Certified Professional Coder (CPC) exam sponsored by the American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC).

Accreditation
The Health Information Management accreditor of College of the Mainland is the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM). The College's accreditation for ASSOCIATE degree in HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT has been reaffirmed through 29-30. All inquiries about the program's accreditation status should be directed by mail to CAHIIM, 200 East Randolph Street, Suite 5100, Chicago, IL, 60601; by phone at (312) 235-3255; or by email at info@cahiim.org

Medical Coding Certificate and Health Information Management Associate of Applied Science Requirements

Students taking the AAS or Medical Coding Certificate are required to:

- maintain a "C" (75 percent average in HITT related courses)
- pass a Criminal Background Check
- provide documentation of current immunizations such as Tetanus, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, TB Skin Test, and Chicken Pox.
- pass a drug screen

Students may also be required to:

- provide proof of completion of Hepatitis B, Influenza and COVID vaccine series
- wear hospital scrubs and student identification badge

Graduation Requirements

To be eligible for an Associate of Applied Science degree in Health Information Management, students must

- complete the prescribed courses listed in this Catalog with an overall grade point average of 2.0 or better
- pass each HITT related course listed in the prescribed course of study with a grade of "C" (75%) or better
- meet any individually prescribed behavior or remediation-related requirements

Effective September 1, 2017, HB 1508 amends the Texas Occupations Code Section 53 that requires education providers to notify potential or enrolled students that a criminal history may make them ineligible for an occupational license upon program completion. Program specific information will be provided in course syllabi.

Stackable Credentials

- Associate of Applied Science - Health Information Management (http://coursecatalog.com.edu/catalog/areas-of-study/health-professions/health-information-management-aas/#fulltimescheduletext)
- Certificate - Medical Coding (p. 1)

Full-Time Student Schedule

Course	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Prerequisite Courses		
HITT 1305	Medical Terminology I	3
BIOL 2401	Anatomy & Physiology I [2]	4
BCIS 1305	Business Computer Applications [2]	3
	Semester Credit Hours	**10**
Semester #1 (Fall)		
HITT 1301	Health Data Content and Structure	3
BIOL 2402	Anatomy & Physiology II [2]	4
	Semester Credit Hours	**7**
Semester #2 (Spring)		
HITT 1341	Coding and Classification Systems	3
HITT 1391	Special Topics - Health Information Technology/Technician - Introduction to Informatics	3
HITT 1353	Legal and Ethical Aspects of Health Information	3
HITT 2330	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology	3
	Semester Credit Hours	**12**
Semester #3 (Fall)		
HITT 2335	Coding and Reimbursement Methodologies	3
HITT 1311	Health Information Systems	3
	Semester Credit Hours	**6**
Semester #4 (Spring)		
HITT 2346	Advanced Medical Coding	3
HITT 2266	Practicum - Registered Health Information Technician Review [1]	2
	Semester Credit Hours	**5**
	Total Semester Credit Hours	**40**

[1] Capstone course

[2] Course(s) listed in the Texas Common Course Numbering System (https://tccns.org/institution/id:14/yid:19/)