

Allied Health

Health Information Management

WILMINGTON CAMPUS

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The Health Information Management associate degree curriculum provides individuals with the knowledge and skills to process, analyze, abstract, compile, maintain, manage, and report health information. The program prepares students to function effectively in a technical manner in health information departments in a wide variety of healthcare settings. These settings include ambulatory care, rehabilitation centers, drug and alcohol facilities, local health departments, third-party payers, pharmaceutical companies, acute care, as well as other health care related organizations such as insurance companies, consulting and outsourcing firms, and technology companies. Health information professionals are responsible for maintaining components of health information computer systems, protecting patient privacy and providing information security, ensuring health information is complete and available to legitimate users, coding and classifying data for reimbursement, analyzing information necessary for decision support, complying with standards and regulations regarding health information, preparing health data for accreditation and licensing surveys, and analyzing clinical data for research and public policy. In all types of facilities, and in various locations within a facility, the health information technician possesses the technical knowledge and skills necessary to process, maintain, compile, and report health information data for reimbursement, facility planning, marketing, risk management, utilization management, quality improvement, and research. In addition, the health information technician may be responsible for functional supervision of the various components of the health information system. This program provides instruction and clinical experiences that assist students in developing the technical skills necessary for many entry level health information positions. Graduates may be eligible to sit for a variety of credentialing exams in the career field. Academically ready students can apply to the program following the guidelines of the Allied Health's competitive admission process. Interested applicants should review the information provided here and contact their program advisor for application requirements. The Health Information Management associate degree program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM)

PROGRAM SPECIFIC ADVISEMENT STATEMENT

Delaware Tech does not apply blanket age limits to courses for the purposes of transfer in, meeting selective admission programs' ranking/entrance procedures, or meeting program requirements for award completion. There is a five year age limit used in the selective admission procedures for the Health Information Management program for BIO 120 and MAT 015/MAT 020.

Courses - Semester 1

	Credits	Lecture	Lab
SSC 100 - First Year Seminar	1	1	0
BIO 100 - Medical Terminology	3	3	0
BIO 120 - Anatomy and Physiology I	5	4	2
ENG 101 - Crit Thinking & Acad Writing	3	3	0
CIS 107 - Intro to Computers/Application	3	2	2

Courses - Semester 2

	Credits	Lecture	Lab
BIO 121 - Anatomy and Physiology II	5	4	2
BIO 108 - Basic Pharmacology	2	2	
HIM 130 - Legal Aspects of HIM	3	3	
HIM 100 - Intro to Health Information	3	2	2

Courses - Semester 3

	Credits	Lecture	Lab
SOC 213 - Ethical Issues in Health Care	3	3	0
BIO 130 - Disease Proc/Pathophysiology	3	3	0
HIM 120 - Coding I	3	2	2
HIM 222 - Healthcare Reimbursement	3	2	2

Courses - Semester 4

	Credits	Lecture	Lab
ENG 102 - Composition and Research	3	3	0
MAT 255 - Statistics I	3	3	1
HIM 121 - Coding II	3	2	2

Courses - Semester 5

	Credits	Lecture	Lab
HIM 220 - HIM & Healthcare IT	3	2	2
ISY 143 - Intro to Information Security	3	3	0
HIM 122 - Coding III	3	2	2
HIM 225 - Technical Practicum	3	1	6

Courses - Semester 6

	Credits	Lecture	Lab
PSY 121 - General Psychology	3	3	0
HIM 230 - Supervision & Organization	3	3	
HIM 231 - Quality Assessment	3	3	
HIM 250 - Professional Practicum	4	1	8

*To complete program requirements, you must pass the above courses and earn at least **74 credits**. The number of courses and credits required for graduation may be more depending on your need for developmental education courses and the elective choices you make (if electives are a part of the program). Some programs also have college-level courses that you must take if you do not score at a certain level on the College Placement Test. If this applies to your program, the courses are listed at the top of the sequence sheet before the first semester of the course list.*