

Allied Health

Medical Coding Studies

WILMINGTON CAMPUS

Fall 2017

The Medical Coding Studies is a diploma program that prepares graduates for careers as Medical Coders. A Medical Coder manages and classifies medical data for patient billing using standardized codes. Students learn how to correctly assign codes that indicate patient diagnosis, treatment and outcomes in order to properly document patient care and permit data access, analysis and billing. The program provides didactic courses followed by an internship experience in an approved facility. Graduates of the program find employment in a variety of settings, including hospitals, long-term care centers, mental health facilities, federal, state and local health departments, and insurance companies. Academically ready students can apply to the program following the guidelines of the Allied Health competitive admission process. Interested applicants should review the information provided here and contact their program advisor for application requirements.

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 Medical Coding program for BIO 120 and MAT 015/MAT 020.

Courses - Semester 1

| | Credits | Lecture | Lab |
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| SSC 100 - First Year Seminar | 1 | 1 | |
| BIO 100 - Medical Terminology | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| ENG 101 - Crit Thinking & Acad Writing | 3 | 3 | |
| CIS 107 - Intro to Computers/Application | 3 | 2 | 2 |

Courses - Semester 2

| | Credits | Lecture | Lab |
|---|---------|---------|-----|
| BIO 108 - Basic Pharmacology | 2 | 2 | |
| BIO 120 - Anatomy and Physiology I | 5 | 4 | 2 |
| HIM 100 - Intro to Health Information | 3 | 2 | 2 |

Courses - Semester 3

| | Credits | Lecture | Lab |
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| BIO 121 - Anatomy and Physiology II | 5 | 4 | 2 |
| 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 |
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| HIM 121 - Coding II | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| MAT 255 - Statistics I) | 3 | 3 | 1 |

Courses - Semester 5

| | Credits | Lecture | Lab |
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| HIM 122 - Coding III | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| SOC 213 - Ethical Issues in Health Care | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| HIM 170 - Medical Coding Practicum | 4 | 2 | 6 |

*To complete program requirements, you must pass the above courses and earn at least **50 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.