

MEDICAL BILLING AND CODING

Specialization: Health Information Coding



ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

DIGITAL HEALTH CORE

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DeVry University's Digital Health Core program is designed to help students develop a set of interdisciplinary skills for today's rapidly evolving health information field. Courses explore principles used throughout the healthcare ecosystem and provide students hands-on experience working with industry-standard software systems and simulated patient records.

IS THIS PROGRAM FOR YOU?

Interested in working with medical records and assisting healthcare facilities in achieving operational efficiencies? Explore a career in this growing field of health services¹ by pursuing your interest in medical billing and coding.

A PROGRAM TO FUEL YOUR FUTURE

The program is designed to teach students the basic coding skills needed to learn:

- How to capture digital health information using coding and chart management software
- Medical terminology and health records related to healthcare
- How to accurately record, register, submit and track patient information

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of DeVry University's Medical Billing and Coding certificate program may consider careers including, but not limited to, the following:

- Inpatient Coder
- Medical Coder
- Coding Specialists
- Hospital Coders
- Inpatient Coding Auditors
- Coding Educators

QUICK FACTS

40
CREDIT HOURS
minimum credit hours
required for graduation

13
COURSES

8%
GROWTH
nationally from 2021-2031
for employment of Medical
Records Specialists¹

INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION

CCS EXAM PREPARATION

Employers often look for candidates with industry certifications to staff their workforce. That's why DeVry University offers certification preparation to help students prepare to pursue AHIMA's Certified Coding Specialist (CCS) exam - a critical step in advancing your career. Eligible students receive a complimentary voucher for one exam attempt to support them in the attainment of this credential.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

COMPLIMENTARY PRACTICUM COURSE

DeVry University provides you the unique opportunity to put your professional skills into practice with our Coding and Practicum with Lab course, HIT260*. Upon completion of this course, provided at no tuition cost, eligible students receive a complimentary AHIMA student membership, a tool that provides career resources to assist you in your career journey.

*HIT260 is provided at no tuition charge. Student will still be responsible for fees pertaining to the course such as course resources and e-books.

MINIMUM COMPLETION TIME*

**1 year
2 months**

OR

NORMAL COMPLETION TIME**

**1 year
6 months**

ACCELERATE YOUR SCHEDULE

Choose the schedule that best fits your goals and commitments. You can earn your **Undergraduate Certificate** in as little as 1 year 2 months. Or, follow a normal schedule and complete your program in 1 year 6 months.

*Per 12-month period, assumes completion of 3 semesters, enrollment in 3-13 credit hours per semester and continuous, full-time year-round enrollment with no breaks.

**Per 12-month period, assumes completion of 2 semesters and full-time enrollment in 3-13 credit hours per semester.

¹ <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/medical-records-and-health-information-technicians.htm>. Growth projected on a national level. Local growth will vary by location. BLS projections are not specific to DeVry University students or graduates and may include earners at all stages of their career and not just entry level.

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PROGRAM

40
CREDIT HOURS

NATURAL SCIENCES

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| BIOS105 | Fundamentals of Human Anatomy and Physiology |
| BIOS268* | Pathopharmacology |

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| HIT111 | Basic Medical Terminology |
| HIT125 | Electronic Health Records & Digital Health |
| HIT223 | Medical Ethics, Compliance and Patient Privacy |
| HIT235 | Health Insurance Billing and Reimbursement |

MEDICAL CODING

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| HIT206 | CPT Coding with Application |
| HIT214 | ICD Coding I with Application |
| HIT215* | ICD Coding II with Application |
| HIT217* | Advanced Coding |

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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| HIT101 | Professional Skills for Healthcare |
| HIT260* | Coding and Practicum with Lab |
| HIT264* | CCS Review |

*Graduates of DeVry University's Medical Billing and Coding (MBC) Certificate Program can complete these additional courses within the MBC-Health Information Coding Certificate program to earn it as a second credential. If interested, graduates of the MBC Certificate Program are required to complete another application through Admissions. Current MBC Certificate Program students may connect with their Student Support Advisor for more information.

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

NATURAL SCIENCES

- Understand the human body structure and functions
- Explore drug therapies and the conditions they are prescribed to treat

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- Learn medical terminology to read and understand medical documentation
- Review medical data to ensure quality and integrity
- Audit records to ensure compliance with standards
- Examine legal and regulatory issues in healthcare
- Study US healthcare delivery systems and processes
- Explore healthcare reimbursement and payment methodologies

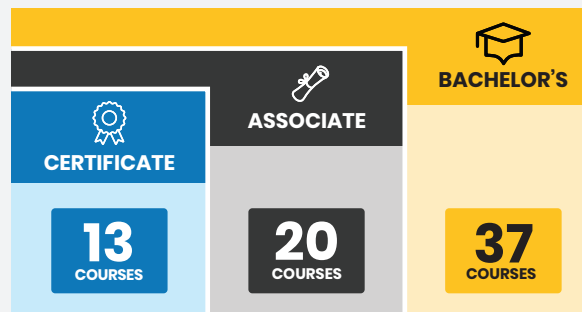
MEDICAL CODING

- Apply current procedural terminology codes with particular focus on inpatient procedure coding
- Study the principles and guidelines for using the International Classification of Diseases system to code diagnoses and procedures
- Review core learning domains and prepare to pursue industry certification
- Apply medical coding knowledge to complex case studies
- Gain knowledge of advanced coding techniques and guidelines
- Apply International Classification of Diseases diagnosis and procedure codes for hospital inpatient procedure coding

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Review core learning domains: health information documents; diagnosis and procedure coding; and regulatory guidelines and reporting requirements for Acute Care (Inpatient) service.
- Prepare to pursue AHIMA's Certified Coding Specialist (CCS) exam.

EARN A CREDENTIAL AT EVERY STEP



HOW DO CREDENTIALS STACK?

When you earn a Medical Billing and Coding – Health Information Coding Certificate, eligible courses you complete in the program apply to your Associate degree in Health Information Technology. When you complete the associate, eligible courses apply to our Bachelor's in Technical Management with a specialization in Health Information Management. Build your confidence – and your resume – when you start your journey at DeVry.*

*The figures displayed represent the minimum credit hours required for graduation. Additional coursework may be necessary to complete program requirements. At the time of application to the next credential level, an evaluation of qualifying transfer credit will occur and the most beneficial outcome will be applied. Future programmatic changes could impact the application of credits to a future program. Refer to the academic catalog for details.

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