

Health Information Technology

Career Program at Danville Area Community College
Financial Aid eligible degree program

The Associate Degree in Health Information Technology (HIT) is granted to those students who successfully complete the career curriculum in Health Information Technology. This program is an occupational program typically not designed to transfer, however, this program has been articulated to some senior institutions. Please contact a counselor for specific details.

The DACC Health Information Technology program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM).

It is an occupation that is unlikely to be profiled on a TV hospital drama, but this behind-the-scenes healthcare profession is in the spotlight. It is one of the fastest growing fields in the U. S. The field of Health Information Technology combines health care with information technology. The pressing issue of properly managing and protecting patient health information has steadily increased the demand for Health Information Management professionals, the gatekeepers of this critical data.

Health information management professionals maintain, collect and analyze the data that doctors, nurses and other healthcare providers rely on to deliver quality healthcare. They are experts in managing patient health information and medical records, administering computer information systems and coding the diagnosis and procedures for healthcare services provided.

Program Specific Courses Include:

- Rhetoric & Composition I
- Anatomy and Physiology I & II
- Medical Terminology
- Oral Communication
- Introduction to Psychology
- Humanities Elective
- Introduction to ICD-9/ICD-10 Coding*
- Coding in Ambulatory Settings*
- Patho-Physiology and Pharmacology*
- Business Computer Systems
- Clinical Practicum I, II, III*
- Legal Aspects of Health Information Management & Ethics*
- Health Statistics and Registries*
- Alternative Health Care Settings*
- Insurance Procedures*
- Advanced Coding*
- Supervision for Health Information Technologists*
- Current Trends in Health Information Technology*
- Quality Assurance*

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Job/Employment Information:

Positions You are Trained for: The Health Information Technology profession offers career flexibility and a variety of workplace options depending on skills, education and interest. Health Information Technologists can hold positions such as: clinical coding specialist, insurance claims specialist, patient information and disclosure specialist, health data analyst, cancer and other disease registries, supervisor, quality improvement specialist, and physician practice manager.

Health Care





Where Can You Find a Job? Practice settings include hospitals, physician offices and clinics, long-term care facilities, managed care departments, hospice, insurance companies, government agencies, home care providers and pharmaceutical companies.

Expected Salary Range: The salary range is from \$28,000 to \$45,000. Opportunities are available for a Health Information Technologist to earn more than \$45,000 depending on the duties responsibilities and geographic location. For the most current salary information visit www.ilworkinfo.com.

PROGRAM SPECIFIC COURSES:

Check out the DACC website under www.dacc.edu to find out what specific courses you will be taking for this program of study.

Courses are offered in many different formats to meet individual schedules: Day, Evening, Weekend, Traditional, or Online.

WHO TO CALL:

- Admissions/Registration 443-8800
- Advisement/Counseling 443-8750
- Assessment Center 443-8708
- Bookstore 443-8759
- Career Services Center 443-8597
- Child Development Center 443-8833
- Financial Aid 443-8761
- GED/ESL/Adult Ed 443-8782
- General Information 443-3222
- Health Info Tech Program Director 443-8574
- Orientation 443-8750
- Student Support Services 443-8853

**Please come visit the DACC Campus!
Call 443-8750 to schedule a tour.**

Visit our website at www.dacc.edu or contact us at 217-443-DACC (3222) for more information.
TDD/TTY 217-443-8701

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