

Health Information Technology - Revenue Cycle Management



The Health Information Technology (HIT) Program at WSCC is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM). Only graduates of CAHIIM-accredited programs are eligible to take the national examination to become Registered Health Information Technicians (RHITs). Technicians trained in non-CAHIIM accredited programs or trained on the job are not eligible to take the examination. Wallace State Community College is one of only three CAHIIM-accredited programs in the State of Alabama.

Students have the opportunity to spend many hours in a simulation lab or a professional setting to practice skills obtained in the classroom. Students enrolled in professional practice experience (professional) courses are assigned hours consistent with day shift. Assignment for professional practice experience will be at the discretion of program officials, and students may be required to travel to different locations for the 'hands-on' training.

Revenue cycle management is the choice for students who have a great interest in the financial workings of facilities. Per AHIMA: "Revenue Cycle Management professionals are responsible for the management and oversight of all business, administrative and clinical functions that contribute to patient revenue from point of entry through payment and adjudication. This may include insurance processing, registration, eligibility, claims management, billing, collections, and denials." The revenue cycle process begins when the patient makes an appointment or enters a facility in an emergency. For a facility to maintain operations, it is imperative that all steps in the revenue cycle management process are done completely and accurately to prevent disruption of claims reimbursement. A student with a revenue cycle management degree will possess knowledge and skills to excel in several occupations, including, but not limited to, medical coder (inpatient, outpatient, ER, physician), medical billing specialist, insurance claims auditor, coding auditor, coding supervisor, and coding manager.

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AAS HIT REVENUE CYCLE MANAGEMENT – Guided Pathway/ Map

1st Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
ORI 110	Freshman Seminar	1
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
CIS 146	Computer Applications	3
PSY 200	General Psychology	3
BIO 201	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
	Sub-Total Credits	14

2nd Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
MTH 100	Intermediate College Algebra	3
IDS 102	Ethics	3
HIT 110	Medical Terminology	3
BIO 202	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
	Sub-Total Credits	13

3rd Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
HIT 115	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology for HIT	4
HIT 134	HIT Legal and Ethical Issues	3
HIT 154	Health Data Content and Structure	3
HIT 158	Introduction to the Clinical Environment for HIT	1
HIT 294	Current Trends in Health Information	1
	Sub-Total Credits	12

4th Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
HIT 131	Classification Skills Laboratory	1
HIT 132	Revenue Cycle Management and Documentation	4
HIT 160	HIT Professional Practices Experience	1
HIT 223	Data Management for HIT	3
HIT 230	Medical Coding Systems I	3
	Sub-Total Credits	12

5th Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
HIT 232	Medical Coding Systems II	3
HIT 240	Ambulatory Coding	2
HIT 255	Principles of Supervision in HIT	3
HIT 291	CCS Exam Preparation	1
	Sub-Total Credits	9

6th Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
BUS 271	Business Statistics I	3
HIT 254	Organizational Improvement	3
HIT 292	HIT Exam Review	2
HIT 296	Professional Practices Simulations	2
	Sub-Total Credits	10
	Total credits:	70