

# HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, AAS

This program leads to an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Health Information Technology. The program features a sound base in general education in addition to professional courses and professional practice experience designed to guide students in the development of the technical skills necessary to become a Health Information Technician. Courses in the program major are on-line and students must have access to the internet and possess basic computer knowledge.

## Accreditation

The Health Information Technology Associate degree Program is accredited by:

The Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM)  
200 East Randolph Street, Suite 5100  
Chicago, IL 60601  
[www.cahiim.org](http://www.cahiim.org) (<http://www.cahiim.org>)

## Program Mission

The Health Information Technology program is focused on the development of qualified health information technicians who meet the demands of the health care industry through technical competence and professional conduct.

## Washburn University Assessment – Program Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the program students will be able to:

- PSLO 1: Demonstrate entry-level HIM (health information management) competencies.
- PSLO 2: Demonstrate the technical proficiency in all skills necessary to fulfill the professional discipline of health information technology.
- PSLO 3: Demonstrate professional behavior consistent with employer expectations in the professional discipline.

## Admission Requirements

This program has special admission requirements. Interested students should contact the Allied Health Department for specific requirements or visit <https://www.washburn.edu/academics/college-schools/applied-studies/departments/allied-health/hit/index.html> (<https://www.washburn.edu/academics/college-schools/applied-studies/departments/allied-health/hit/>).

## Degree Requirements

In addition to the requirements stated below, students must complete 15 hours of General Education (<https://catalog.washburn.edu/undergraduate/programs-degrees-graduation-requirements/general-education-requirements/>) and all requirements for an Associate of Applied Science (<https://catalog.washburn.edu/undergraduate/programs-degrees-graduation-requirements/university-requirements-common-all-associate-degrees/>) degree. Some of the courses below may also fulfill general education or other degree requirements. Please see your advisor for more information.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses Inside Department <sup>1</sup></b>		
AL 101	Foundations of Healthcare	3
AL 141	Medical Terminology	3
AL 150	Principles of Health Information Technology	3
AL 157	Specialized Records & Registries for Health Information Technology	2
AL 240	Professional Practice I for Health Information Technology	2
AL 241	Professional Practice II for Health Information Technology	3
AL 244	Healthcare Statistics - Health Information Technology	2
AL 245	Health Information Coding I	3
AL 246	Health Information Coding II	3
AL 247	Healthcare Reimbursement Methods	3
AL 250	Seminar in Health Information Technology	1
AL 320	Human Disease	3
AL 366	Legal & Regulatory Issues for the Health Care Professional	3
AL 367	Foundations of Quality Improvement in Health Care	3
AL 375	Health Care Policy	3
AL 399	Health Information Systems	3
Subtotal		43
<b>Required Courses Outside Department <sup>1</sup></b>		
BI 230	Introduction to Human Physiology <sup>2</sup>	3
BI 250	Introduction to Human Anatomy <sup>2</sup>	3
CM 101	Computer Concepts and Applications	3
MA 112	Contemporary College Mathematics	3
WU 101	The Washburn Experience	3
Subtotal		15
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>58</b>

<sup>1</sup> Students must receive a C or better in each course.

<sup>2</sup> BI 100 is a required prerequisite for this course.