



Medical Records Coding

Certificate (40 SCH*)

*Semester Credit Hour

5/2024

First Semester - 12 SCH

HITT 1305 - Medical Terminology I
HPRS 2300 - Pharmacology for Health Professions
ITSC 1309 - Integrated Software Applications I
POFM 1302 - Medical Software Applications

Second Semester - 6 SCH

HPRS 2301 - Pathophysiology
MDCA 1309 - Anatomy and Physiology for Medical Assistants

Third Semester - 13 SCH

ITSW 1304 - Introduction to Spreadsheets
HITT 1342 - Ambulatory Coding
HITT 1345 - Health Care Delivery Systems
HITT 1441 - Coding and Classification Systems

Fourth Semester - 9 SCH

MDCA 1343 - Medical Insurance
HITT 1301 - Health Data Content and Structure
HITT 2335 - Coding and Reimbursement Methodologies

Marketable Skills

- Attitude for Success
- Communication Techniques
- Critical Thinking
- Computer Application
- Leadership/Management Qualities

Program Outcomes

- Analyze health records for documentation that reflects the correct selection of the principal diagnosis.
- Differentiate between prospective and retrospective payment systems.
- Apply all necessary codes to their full level of specificity for patient encounters.
- Apply the appropriate code set or classification system to the given patient encounter.
- Understand HIPAA in regards to privacy and confidentiality.
- Differentiate between outpatient and inpatient records.

High School Endorsements

Public Service

Expected Salary

Texas wage data: workers on average earn \$39,990; 10% of workers earn \$26,790 or less; 10% of workers earn \$67,570 or more.

Additional Educational Opportunities

May pursue an Associate of Science in Health Information Management.

Career Opportunities

Physician Offices; Hospitals; Clinics; Billing Companies; Remote Work from Home; Coder; Health Information Clerk; Health Information Specialist; Health Information Technician; Medical Records Clerk; Medical Records Coordinator; Medical Records Technician; Reimbursement Specialist.