

## HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Reliable and valid health information is vital to the health care industry, to researchers, and legal and financial professionals. Public health officials depend on medical records for information about disease patterns and general health conditions. Hospitals depend on accurate medical records for patient care, health statistics, reimbursement and protection in medico-legal matters.



ambulatory health care facilities, industrial clinics, state and federal health agencies, skilled and intermediate care nursing facilities, the insurance industry, managed care organizations and hospitals. Students also have access to the Regional Simulation Center (RSC) at Washburn Tech. The facility is a new, state-of-the-art health care training lab that resembles an acute health care setting with the newest innovative technology.

### Health Information Technology (HIT)

The health care field is booming which means the career opportunities are endless. Get your foot in the door by enrolling in Washburn University's HIT program. Students may choose from two options:

- 32-credit-hour certificate in health information coding
- 73-credit-hour associate of science degree in Health Information Technology

Both options are online and require that you have access to the Internet and have basic computer skills. Graduates will find a wide variety of exciting career opportunities in

### How to Apply

Candidates must apply to Washburn University and submit official transcripts. You also must submit a completed HIT application packet to the program director including official transcripts. Completed application packets must be received by February 1 for the next fall semester. Notification of acceptance or denial will be sent by March 15. Late applications will be accepted on a case-by-case basis.

### Getting Started

Begin the application process by going to [www.washburn.edu/hit](http://www.washburn.edu/hit). Follow the steps that are listed as part of the HIT application packet. Acceptance to Washburn University does not guarantee acceptance to the HIT program.



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For more program, enrollment, and schedule information please contact Washburn Admissions. Financial Aid is available to those who qualify. Washburn University • 1700 SW College Avenue • Topeka KS 66621 785.670.1010 or 785.670.2170 • [Washburn.edu/hit](http://Washburn.edu/hit)

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## Requirements for Major: 37 credit hours in the department, including:

AL 141 Medical Terminology
AL 150 Principles of Health Information Technology
AL 157 Specialized Health Records & Registries for Health Information Technology
AL 240 Professional Practice I for Health Information Technology
AL 241 Professional Practice II for Health Information Technology
AL 244 Health Care Statistics for Health Information
AL 245 Health Information Coding I
AL 246 Health Information Coding II
AL 247 Healthcare Reimbursement Methodologies
AL 250 Seminar in Health Information Technology
AL 366 Legal and Regulatory Issues for the Health Care Professional
AL 367 Health Care Quality Improvement
AL 375 Health Care Policy
AL 399 Health Information Systems

## Correlate Area: 21 hours

AL 101 Foundations of Health Care
AL 320 Human Disease
BI 100 Introduction to Biology
*BI 230 Introduction to Human Physiology
*BI 250 Introduction to Human Anatomy
CM 101 Computer Competency and the Internet
EN 208 Business and Technical Writing

## General Education Requirements (AS): minimum of 18 hours

Humanities (3-6) (GEHU/GECPA) (Max 3 hours/discipline)	C o u r s e Number	Social Sciences (3-6) (GESS) (Max 3 hours/discipline)	C o u r s e Number	Natural Sciences/ Math (6) (GENS) (Area other than Math)	C o u r s e Number
Humanities 1 (3)	EN 208	Soc. Science 1 (3)		Nat. Science 1 (3-5)	CM 101
Humanities 2 (3)		Soc. Science 2 (3)			BI 100

## Core University/AS-Specific Requirements:

WU 101 (3)**		>= 2.0 Major Cumulative GPA	
EN 101 (3)			
MA 112 or MA 116 (3)***		Total Hours (73)	

\*BI 100/101 Pre-requisite to BI 230, BI 250, BI 255, and BI 275

\*\*Students transferring with 24 or more credit hours completed at an accredited post-secondary institution (after graduating from High School) with a GPA of 2.0 or higher are exempt from this requirement

\*\*\*May be waived if student successfully completes a higher-level mathematics course with a grade of C or higher or if a student presents an ACT score in mathematics of at least 28 (SAT of at least 640)