

Health Information Technology



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Admission Requirements

Progression: To meet graduation requirements for this program, students must successfully complete the specified courses listed below with a "C" average (GPA of 2.00) or better. In order to progress in this program, students must earn at least a "C" in all HIT courses, Anatomy and Physiology I and II, and English Comp I. Competencies must be met at the level stated in the course outline.

****Minimum admission requirements (in addition to general admission requirements):**

Attain an 18 composite score on the ACT;

Or

Score a 70 or higher on the ACCUPLACER Reading Section and a 60 or above on the Arithmetic Section;

Or

Complete 12 hours or more with a "C" average or above at an accredited college or university. Six of these hours must be earned in Occupational Math (CTE 1113) or a higher math equivalent and English Comp I (ENG 1113) with a "C" or better. Developmental coursework does not satisfy this requirement;

And

Have a cumulative grade point average (cGPA) of 2.0 ("C" average on all previous college coursework);

And

Complete Anatomy and Physiology I and Anatomy and Physiology I Lab with at least a "C". A&P I and II must have been completed within six years prior to admission into the Health Information Technology Program. Computer Applications must also have been completed within three years prior to admission into the Health Information Technology Program;

And

Attend an HIT Information Session. Students will receive notice from the Registrar's Office about scheduling their Information Session;

And

Observe in a Health Information Management Department and submit a written summary of the visit.

The HIT Admissions Committee will select each year's class from the pool of applicants who meet minimum admission requirements. Any application with incomplete records will not be considered for admission. The admission process is competitive, and completion of minimum requirements is not a guarantee of admission. Priority consideration for admission will be given as follows: 1) In-district students who complete program prerequisites and/or general education coursework at MCC; 2) Out-of-district students who complete program prerequisites and/or general education coursework at MCC; 3) Mississippi residents who complete program prerequisites and/or general education coursework elsewhere; 4) Out-of-state students. Check with the Health Education Advisor for selection details and deadlines.

After program admission and prior to classes beginning, students must provide proof of immunization for MMR. A drug screening test will be scheduled after classes begin. A Mantoux Two-Step TB Skin Test will be scheduled after classes begin.

All students admitted into the program will be required to pay for fingerprinting and background checks which will be performed after admission and prior to clinical laboratories. These fees will be attached as registration fees. There are certain convictions that will prevent an individual from being eligible to participate in clinical experiences. If a student is unable to participate in clinical experiences, he/she will be dismissed from the program. For additional information, contact the Health Education Advisor.

Students in the Health Information Technology Program must attend MCC full-time (12 or more semester credit hours).

***Admission requirements are minimum standards and admission to the program is competitive. Admission is not guaranteed.*

Course of Study

Prerequisites:		Hours
BIO 2513	Anatomy and Physiology I	3
BIO 2511	Anatomy and Physiology I lab	1
	Or	
BIO 2214	Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab	4

FIRST YEAR

First Semester		Hours
HIT 1114	Health Record Systems	4
HIT 1213	Medical Terminology	3
HIT 2253	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology I	3
BIO 2523	Anatomy and Physiology II	3
BIO 2521	Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	1
ENG 1113	English Composition I	3
CSC 1123	Computer Applications I	3
	Semester Hours	20

Second Semester

HIT 1323	Health Care Law and Ethics	3
HIT 1413	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology II	3
HIT 2913	Computers in Healthcare	3
	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
SPT 1113	Public Speaking	3
	Semester Hours	15

SECOND YEAR

First Semester

HIT 2615	Coding Systems I	5
HIT 2123	Alternate Care Systems	3
HIT 2512	Professional Practice Experience I	2
HIT 2133	Health Statistics	3
HIT 2142	Electronic Health Record	2
	Semester Hours	15

Second Semester

HIT 2625	Coding Systems II	5
HIT 2713	Health Care Supervision	3
HIT 2812	Performance Improvement Techniques	2
HIT 2522	Professional Practice Experience II	2
HIT 2633	Reimbursement Methodologies	3
	Behavioral Science Elective	3
HIT 2921	Certification Fundamentals for HIT	1
	Semester Hours	19
	Total Semester Hours	69