Medical InformaticsAssociate of Applied Science degree



Program and Career Description:

The Associate of Applied Science in Medical Informatics prepares graduates for career entry in computer technician positions in healthcare settings. Students' develop technical and nontechnical communication skills, tools/application use, legal aspects of medical office technologies, and the nuances of electronic medical record keeping, reimbursement, and billing practices. The Developer concentration emphasizes health information management in the information technology environment. The Technician concentration integrates healthcare and information technology.

How long is the program?

Medical Informatics (MEDI) program completion requires 4-5 semesters of full time study. Students with applicable prior college credit may be able to complete in less than two years. Students may work with an Advisor to develop a personalized academic plan for part-time study over an extended period. This program is an open enrollment opportunity and may be started during any semester. The prerequisite nature of courses may result in some courses being offered only during specific semesters.

What does the program provide?

The Medical Informatics A.A.S. degree provides the training needed to move rapidly into the healthcare workplace. Possible job titles for completers might include implementation support specialist, implementation manager, technical and software support staff member and trainer. Generally, positions fall into three job fields: Information Technology professional, health information management professional and clinical informatician.

How is the job market?

Graduates of the A.A.S. degree in Medical Informatics will be eligible for employment in various medical settings. Specific job-related supply and demand information is dependent upon the career path selected. Job related career and salary information for the chosen career field may be accessed via www.bls.gov. Health Science fields are projected to be among the top ten growing occupational areas for the foreseeable future based on both state and national employment projections.

Transfer Options

The Medical Informatics associate of applied science degree is designed for career-entry. However, some universities may accept some or all of the course work for transfer. Transfer credit is awarded at the discretion of the receiving institution. Students are advised to inquire directly with advisors at the university level regarding expectations for transfer.

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Major in Medical Informatics (A.A.S.)

Program Requirements

Communications Requirement ENGL 1010

Humanities/Fine Arts (Take 1 course) ART 1030 ARTH 2010, 2020 ENGL 2015, 2130, 2230, 2330, 2920 HUM 1130, 1131 MUS 1030 PHIL 1030, 2030, 2033 THEA 1030

Natural Science Requirement (Take both courses) BIOL 2010 <u>and</u> BIOL 2020

Social/Behavioral Sciences (Take 1 course) PSYC 1030 or PSYC 2130

Major Required Courses ADMN 1306, 2318 CITC 1300, 1303, 1333, 2340, 2390 HIT 115, 125, 250 INFS 1010

Option 1: Medical Informatics Developer CITC 1301, 1313, 2361

Option 2: Medical Informatics Technician CITC 1320, 1323, 1324

If you have completed TN eCampus courses, run a degree audit from the student tab in myChargerNet to determine how these courses apply to this program.

Sample Academic Plan

First Year - Fall Semester

	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
	English Composition I	3
	Computer Applications	3
	Medical Terminology I	3
Humanities/Fin		3
COLS 101	Columbia State College Success	1
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First Year - Spring S	Semester	
BIOL 2020	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
	Introduction to Health Information Tech	4
	Database Concepts	3
	(Option 1) Net Programming or	,
	(Option 2) A+ Hardware and Software	3
	ral Sciences Requirement	3
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Second Year - Fall Semester		"
CITC 1200	De viverio en LITAM, en el CCC	,
	Beginning HTML and CSS	3
	Linux LPIC-1	3
	Adv. Database Concepts & Programming	3
	(Option 1) Intro to Programming & Logic or	_
	(Option 2) CCNA I	3
HIT 250	Legal Aspects of Health Information	3
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Second Year - Sprin	ig Semester	
ADMN 2318	Medical Office Procedures	3
CITC 2390	CITC Capstone	3
CITC 2361	(Option 1) Adv. Web Page Design & Dev. or	
	(Option 2) CCNA II	3
HIT 125	Computer Applications in HIT	3
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Requirements for Graduation include:

- earning 25% of total program credits in residence at Columbia State.
- GPA of at least 2.0 in program courses.
- cumulative GPA must be 2.0.
- taking the Exit Exam.