



## Associate of Science in Health Information Technology – 2179

**Career Pathway:** [Health Sciences](#)

**Location(s):** [General Education courses are offered at all BC locations. Program specific courses are only available at North Campus.](#)

**Program Entrance Requirements:** This is a limited access program. Students are required to complete a supplemental application and meet specific criteria. Please click [here](#) for more information.

**Program Description:** The Associate of Science in Health Information Technology program prepares the student for employment as a health information technician (HIT) in a variety of settings and eligibility to write the national certifying examination to become a Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT). The program will also provide the student the eligibility to sit for the AAPC or AHIMA coding credentialing examinations. Responsibilities include coding of diagnoses and procedures; as well as processing, storage and retrieval of health information in either paper or electronic health records. Areas covered in the course work include, but not limited to, confidentiality of protected health information, health information and electronic health records systems, legal aspects, statistical reporting, reimbursement methodology, healthcare informatics, performance improvement, and supervision of daily department activities comprise other functions taught in the program. Visit the program's [website](#) for additional information.

**Additional Program Information:** Students must complete all required coursework with a grade of "C" or higher and earn a minimum degree grade point average of 2.0. The program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM). BC has articulation agreements with limited educational organizations in the community which allow us to accept the certifications received from that program to be counted (credits awarded) towards your degree at BC. The program currently has articulation agreements with Sheridan and Atlantic Tech Vocational Centers for students graduating from the Medical Transcription and the Medical Coder/Billing Certification Programs.

Technical Certificates represents a subset of specific Health Science courses within degree programs, and are not awarded to students as a stand-alone certificate for employment purposes.

Technical Certificates: The HIT program offers two certificates-

1. Medical Coder Biller 37 credits (you will be eligible to sit for the coding certifications CCA, CCS, CCS-P, CPC)
2. Informatics Specialist 24 credits

The courses are outlined below with an X next to the courses required to obtain each certificate.

### Build your Education



## Recommended Course Sequence

Full Time	Part Time	Course ID	Description	Credits	TC1	TC2
Term 1	Term 1	ENC1101	Composition I	3		
		MGF1106	Foundations of Mathematical Reasoning	3		
		HSC1531	Medical Terminology	3	X	
		HSC1000	Intro to Health Sciences	3		
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Term 2 Fall		HIM1000	Introduction to Health Information Technology	3	X	X
		HIM1253C	Coding I	3	X	X
		HIM1260	Reimbursement Methodology	2	X	
		HIM2512	Supervision and Organization Life	2		
		PSY2012	General Psychology (Recommended)	3		
Term 3 Spring		HIM 1110	Health Data Concepts	3	X	X
		HIM1110L	Health Data Concepts Lab	1	X	X
		HIM2232C	Coding II	3	X	
		HIM2433	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology	3	X	
		GE Course	General Education Science	3		
Term 4 Summer		CGS1540C	Database Management	3		X
		HIM1800	Professional Practice Experience I	1	X	X
		PHI2600	Introduction to Ethics (Recommended)	3	X	
Term 5 Fall		HIM2728C	Coding III	3	X	
		HIM2012	Health Records Law	3	X	
		HIM2652	Health Information Systems	3	X	X
		HIM2214	Health Statistics	2		X
		HIM2500	Performance Improvement	2		X
TERM 6 Spring		HIM2112C	Electronic Health Records	3	X	X
		HIM2930	Transition Seminar	3		
		HIM2810	Professional Practice Experience II	3		
		SPC1608 or SPC1024	Public Speaking or Introduction to Speech Communications	3		
		<b>Total Program Credit Hours</b>				<b>70</b>

**Note:** Many courses have specific pre-requisite and co-requisite requirements that must be followed. Students are encouraged to consult the Course Information Table for a detailed list of all prerequisite requirements.

This is only a recommended course sequence. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with an [advisor](#) to create a personalized educational plan.

## CHOOSE YOUR COURSES

### Program Highlights



**Credit for Prior Learning:** Accelerate your path to completion with these options:

- Credit by exam
- Industry Certifications
- Prior Learning Assessment
- And much more...



**Related Industry Certifications:** Upon completing this program, graduates will be eligible to sit for the following industry certifications/licenses:

- *Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT)*
- *Certified Coding Associate (CCA)*



**Externship Experience:** Professional practice experiences are provided in local health care facilities, by simulation or in combination under the supervision of qualified professional personnel. Also, explore hundreds of career videos and career profiles through [Virtual Job Shadow](#).



**Median Wage and Job Growth Outlook:** Broward College has [Career Coach](#) & the [Career Ladders](#). These tools are designed to help you find a good career by providing the most current local data on wages, employment, job postings, and associated education and training. Learn how to climb your career ladder.



**Fund Your Education:**

This Program is [Financial Aid](#) eligible. [Scholarships](#) may be available. This program is part of the [Career Source Broward ITA List](#).

Get Started Today!

START APPLICATION

