# About the Program

The Associate in Science (A.S.) Degree in Health Information Technology educates and trains students to become knowledgeable about the management of health information systems.

This program requires a **minimum of 70 credit hours**. Total program hours may vary based on the student's individual academic degree plan. This program **is eligible** for financial aid.

## **Program Accreditation**

The Health Information Technology accreditor of Florida State College at Jacksonville is the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM). The College's accreditation for Associate degree in Health Information Technology has been reaffirmed through 2024. All inquiries about the program's accreditation status should be directed by mail to CAHIIM, 200 East Randolph Street, Suite 5100, Chicago, IL, 60601; by phone at (312) 235-3255; or by email at info@cahiim.org.

## **Program Requirements**

This is a Limited Access Program. Students must follow the program application procedure and fulfill all requirements outlined in the college catalog. **Prerequisite courses** include:

- ENC 1101 English Composition I or ENC 1101C English Composition I Enhanced or ENC 1102 - Writing About Texts
- One General Education Mathematics course
- BSC 2085C Human Anatomy and Physiology I

\*See the **program requirements** for general education course options.

The **application deadline** is February 15 of each year with classes starting in the summer term.

# Important for You to Know

This academic roadmap does not include developmental education courses in reading, writing, and/or mathematics or other prerequisite courses that you may be required to take. In addition, it does not include program graduation requirements.

This program includes a **Statistical Reasoning math pathway**. This pathway is intended for students whose academic program requires a foundation in descriptive statistics, probability, and inferential statistics to facilitate the use and interpretation of data.

See the college catalog for information regarding drug screening and criminal background checks.

Program graduates are eligible to take the national certification exam offered by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) to become a Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT), a credential that is recognized throughout the healthcare environment.

**Note:** If you are considering employment in a state other than Florida, please visit <u>https://www.fscj.edu/academics/license-disclose</u> to determine if this program will meet the selected state's educational requirements to sit for licensure or certification testing.

**Alternative starting or completion points include:** Medical Information Coder/Biller (T.C.) and Healthcare Informatics Specialist (T.C.).

## **Additional Information**

- ⇒ Program Information, including advisor contact details: <u>https://www.fscj.edu/2277</u>.
- ⇒ Associate in Science Degree Information, including graduation requirements: <u>https://catalog.fscj.edu/academics/degree-certificate-programs/associate-in-science-degrees</u>.
- ⇒ **\*Program Requirements:** <u>https://catalog.fscj.edu/programs/2277</u>.
- ⇒ Math Pathways Information: https://catalog.fscj.edu/academics/math-pathways.

## Sample Roadmap

This sample roadmap shows one possible pathway to program completion and may not be appropriate for all students.

Prior to enrolling in classes, please **meet with an advisor** for specific guidance about your individual academic degree plan. Some courses are offered only once per year; advising is critical for course progression.

### General Education and Other Required Courses

Course	Credits
General Education Humanities Core course	3
BSC 2086C - Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
CGS 1100C - Microcomputer Applications for Business and Economics	3
HSC 1531 - Medical Terminology (for Health Professions)	3
AMH 2010 - United States History to 1877 or AMH 2020 - United States History from 1877 to the Present or POS 2041 - American Federal Government	3

### Term 1

Course	Credits
HIM 1000 - Introduction to Health Information Management and Informatics	2
HIM 1260 - Health Insurance Billing	2
HIM 1300 - Health Care Delivery Systems	2
HIM 1435 - Pathophysiology	3
HIM 2012 - Health Law	3

### Term 2

Course	Credits
CGS 2542 - Database Concepts for Microcomputers	3
HIM 1110 - Health Data Concepts	2
HIM 2442 - Basic Pharmacology for Health Information Management	1
HIM 1224C - Basic ICD Coding and Lab	3
HIM 1511 - Healthcare Informatics Project Management	2
HIM 2111 - Health Information Systems and Electronic Health Record	3

### Term 3

Course	Credits
HIM 2285C - Advanced ICD Coding and Lab	3
HIM 1253C - CPT Coding and Lab	3
HIM 2214C - Health Data Management	3
HIM 2500 - Performance Improvement	2
HIM 1800 - Professional Practice I	1

#### Term 4

Course	Credits
HIM 2512 - Supervision and Organizational Life	3
HIM 2810 - Professional Practice II	3