

The Technical Certificate (T.C.) in Medical Information Coder/Biller prepares students to enter the healthcare delivery market as an entry-level medical coder/biller.

Students learn the fundamentals of health information management processes, legal aspects of health care and reimbursement methodologies, biomedical sciences and inpatient and outpatient medical coding.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Explore career resources at fscj.edu/student-services/career-development .
<input type="checkbox"/> Meet with your advisor each term.
<input type="checkbox"/> Satisfy the technical certificate graduation requirements.

Application Procedure

This is a **Limited Access program**. Students must follow the application procedure outlined in the current College Catalog. The **application deadline** is February 15 for classes starting in the Summer Term.

Articulation

This certificate articulates directly into the Health Information Technology (2277) (A.S.) degree. Contact an advisor to determine the career education path that is best for you.

Important for You to Know

This academic roadmap does not include developmental education courses in reading, writing, and/or mathematics that you may be required to take. Students who place into developmental education courses are required to complete designated developmental education courses with a grade of C or higher regardless of program of study. In addition, it does not include MAT 1033: Intermediate Algebra, which, for many students, is a prerequisite course for MAC 1105.

Advising

(904) 646-2300 or hcic@fscj.edu.

Sample Roadmap

This roadmap provides general guidance about required courses. For specific guidance about your individual academic degree plan, please see an advisor. Also refer to the College Catalog and class schedules for additional information.

A minimum grade of C or higher must be achieved in all prerequisite and professional courses.

Prerequisites to be Taken Before Program Admission

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Course: Course Title	Credit Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	BSC 2085C: Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	BSC 2086C: Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	HSC 1531: Medical Terminology (for Health Professions)	3

Term 1: Summer

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Course: Course Title	Credit Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIM 1000: Introduction to Health Information Management and Informatics	2
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIM 1260: Health Insurance Billing	2
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIM 1300: Health Care Delivery Systems	2
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIM 1435: Pathophysiology	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIM 2012: Health Law	3

Term 2: Fall

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Course: Course Title	Credit Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	CGS 1100C: Microcomputer Applications for Business and Economics	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIM 2442: Basic Pharmacology for Health Information Management	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIM 1224C: Basic ICD Coding and Lab	3

Term 3: Spring

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Course: Course Title	Credit Hours
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIM 2285C: Advanced ICD Coding and Lab	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIM 1253C: CPT Coding and Lab	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIM 1800: Professional Practice I	1

Total Program Credit Hours

The **Medical Information Coder/Biller** T.C. program requires a **minimum of 37 credit hours**. Total program hours may vary based on the student's individual degree plan. Please see an advisor for individual guidance. This program **is eligible** for financial aid.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon completing this program, students will be able to demonstrate proficiency in the following program learning outcomes:

- Describe the anatomy and physiology of the human body
- Demonstrate proficiency in the application of medical terminology
- Demonstrate an understanding of the fundamentals of disease processes in relationship to the human body, including pharmacology
- Demonstrate proficiency in the use of ICD and HCPCS/CPT coding systems, both manual and automated
- Perform coding complexities proficiently
- Explain the significance of health information services as it relates to the medical coder/biller
- Demonstrate professional and ethical behavior of a medical coder/biller
- Perform healthcare revenue cycle management processes