HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, AS (70 Credits)

Guided Pathway: Associate in Science in Health Information Technology (FULL-TIME).

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FULL-TIME

PATHWAY

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Program Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Health Information Technology Associate in Science degree, graduates will be able to:

1. Demonstrate entry-level competencies for the Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT).
2. Identify and solve HIT problems.
3. Apply diagnostic and procedure codes according to current guidelines.
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Listed below you will find the steps and course sequence for students interested in obtaining an Associate in Science degree in Health Information Technology. Following the pathway will enable you to complete your degree in the most efficient means possible.

SEMESTER BY SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

SEMESTER 1 (SUMMER)	ACTION ITEMS
HSC 2531 – Medical Terminology *(3 cr) (A8)*	
CGS 1570 – Computer Applications *(3 cr)*	
ENC 1101 – Freshman Composition I *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: ENC 0025, REA 0017, or ENC 0027C or score out on placement test*	
MGF 1106 – Mathematics for Liberal Arts *(3 cr)* or any *General Education Math course* ****This course may be taken during Semester 2 of the program.**	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm your academic and career goals by the end of the semester.
BSC 2085 & BSC 2085L – Anatomy and Physiology I *(4 cr)* *Pre-req: REA 0017, ENC 0025 and MAT 0018 with a grade of C or better or ENC 0027C and MAT 0018 with a grade of C or better or score out on appropriate placement test.*	
HIM 1433 – Human Diseases *(3 cr) (B8)* *Pre-req: HSC 2531*	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 19	

SEMESTER 2 (FALL)	ACTION ITEMS
HIM 1300 – Health Care Delivery Systems *(3 cr) (A8)*	• Complete HIT Student Orientation.
HIM 2012 – Legal Aspects of Health Information Technology *(3 cr) (B8)* *Pre-req: HIM 1300*	• Become a student member of the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) at www.ahima.org. • Become a student member of the Northeast Florida Health Information

HIM 2282 – ICD-10-CM Coding *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: HSC 2531, HIM 1433, BSC 2084C*	Management Association (NEFHIMA) at www.nefhima.org.
BSC 2086 & BSC 2086L – Anatomy and Physiology II *(4 cr)* *Pre-req: Completion of BSC 2085/BSC 2085L with a minimum grade of C.*	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 12

SEMESTER 3 (SPRING)	ACTION ITEMS
HIM 2211 – Information Systems for Health Information Technology *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: CGS 1570, HIM 2012 & HIM 1300* **HIM 2253 –** Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Coding *(3 cr) (A8)* *Pre-req: HSC 2531, HIM 1433, BSC 2084C* **HIM 2214** – HIM Statistics *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 1300* **HIM 2723** – ICD-10-PCS Coding *(3 cr) (A8)* *Pre-req: HSC 2531, HIM 1433, BSC 2084C*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester. • Ask about options to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Health Information Management.

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 12

SEMESTER 4 (SUMMER)	ACTION ITEMS
PHI 2010 – Introduction to Philosophy *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: REA 0017 and ENC 0025 with a grade of C or better or ENC 0027C with a grade of C or better or score out on appropriate placement test.* **POS 1041** – American Government *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: ENC 0025 and REA 0017 with a grade of C or better or ENC 0027C with a grade of C or better or score out on appropriate placement test.*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester. • Signup for and pass the Florida Civic Literacy Exam.

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 6

SEMESTER 5 (FALL)	ACTION ITEMS
HIM 2272 – Healthcare Reimbursement *(4 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 2282, HIM 2253 & HIM 2723* **HIM 2500 –** Quality Assurance and Compliance *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 1300 & HIM 2214* **HIM 2800** – Health Information Technology Internship I *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 1300, HIM 2012 & either HIM 2253 or HIM 2282*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester. • Check with your advisor for important deadlines and dates. **Civic Literacy Requirement** Prior to the award of an associate in science degree, students who enter a Florida College System (FCS) or State University System (SUS) institution in fall 2022 or thereafter must meet the civic literacy requirements. The civic literacy requirements apply to students who are admitted to an FGC associates or baccalaureate degree programs as follows: • Students transferring from another FCS or SUS institution and have met the civic literacy requirements in their associate degree are considered to have met the requirements for the associate or baccalaureate degree. • Students transferring from another FCS or SUS institution and have NOT met the civic literacy requirements in their associate degree must meet the requirements for the associate or baccalaureate degree. • Students transferring from out of state must meet the civic literacy requirements for the associate or baccalaureate degree. To meet the Civic Literacy requirements, students must: (1) Successfully complete either POS 1041 - American Government or AMH 2020 - United States History from 1865 with a grade of C or higher AND (2) Achieve the standard score on one of the following assessments:

Assessment	Standard (Raw) Score
AP Government and Politics: United States	3
AP United States History	4
CLEP: American Government	50
Statewide Civic Literacy Exam	48

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 10

SEMESTER 6 (SPRING)	ACTION ITEMS
HIM 2283 – Advanced Medical Coding *(3 cr) (B8)* *Pre-req: HIM 2282, HIM 2723 & HIM 2253* **HIM 2512 –** Supervision and Organizational HIT *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 1300 & HIM 2214* **HIM 2810 –** Health Information Technology Internship II *(3 cr)*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester. • Ask about Early Testing for the RHIT exam! • Check with your advisor for important deadlines and dates. • Complete your application for graduation!

Pre-req: HIM 2800	• Complete the Graduate Information Sheet provided to you by the program advisor.
HIM 2960 – RHIT Exam Preparation *(1 cr)* Pre-req: HIM 2800	

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POST-GRADUATION ACTION ITEMS

- Upon successful completion of the program course work, register for the Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT) exam at https://www.ahima.org/certification-careers/certifications/rhit/.
- Successfully complete the RHIT exam. We highly recommend you take the exam within 6-8 weeks after graduation. During your last term of the program, you may even qualify for Early Testing! Please see the program advisor for more information.
- Gain employment as a Registered Health Information Technician!
- Complete the Graduate Survey. You will receive this survey via email from the program advisor within six months after completing your degree.

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PART-TIME

PATHWAY

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Program Learning Outcomes

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SEMESTER BY SEMESTER MAP FOR PART-TIME STUDENTS

SEMESTER 1 (SUMMER)	ACTION ITEMS
HSC 2531 – Medical Terminology *(3 cr) (A8)*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm your academic and career goals by the end of the semester.
CGS 1570 – Computer Applications *(3 cr)*	
ENC 1101 – Freshman Composition I *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: ENC 0025, REA 0017, or ENC 0027C or score out on placement test*	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 9	

SEMESTER 2 (FALL)	ACTION ITEMS
HIM 1433 – Human Diseases *(3 cr) (B8)* *Pre-req: HSC 2531*	• Complete HIT Student Orientation. • Become a student member of the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) at www.ahima.org. • Become a student member of the Northeast Florida Health Information Management Association (NEFHIMA) at www.nefhima.org.
HIM 1300 – Health Care Delivery Systems *(3 cr) (A8)*	
HIM 2012 – Legal Aspects of Health Information Technology *(3 cr) (B8)* *Pre-req: HIM 1300*	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 9	

SEMESTER 3 (SPRING)	ACTION ITEMS
HIM 2214 – HIM Statistics *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 1300*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester. • Ask about options to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Health Information Management.
HIM 2211 – Information Systems for Health Information Technology *(3 cr)*	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 6	

SEMESTER 4 (SUMMER)	ACTION ITEMS
MGF 1106 – Mathematics for Liberal Arts *(3 cr) or any*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career

General Education Math course	goals by the end of the semester.
BSC 2085 & BSC 2085L – Anatomy and Physiology I *(4 cr)* *Pre-req: REA 0017, ENC 0025 and MAT 0018 with a grade of C or better or ENC 0027C and MAT 0018 with a grade of C or better or score out on* *appropriate placement test.*	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 7

SEMESTER 5 (FALL)	ACTION ITEMS
HIM 2282 – ICD-10-CM Coding *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: HSC 2531, HIM 1433, BSC 2084C* **BSC 2086 & BSC 2086L** – Anatomy and Physiology II *(4 cr)* *Pre-req: Completion of BSC 2085/BSC 2085L with a minimum grade of C.*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester.

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PHI 2010 – Introduction to Philosophy *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: REA 0017 and ENC 0025 with a grade of C or better or ENC 0027C with a grade of C or better or score out on appropriate placement test.*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester.

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SEMESTER 8 (FALL)	ACTION ITEMS
HIM 2272 – Healthcare Reimbursement *(4 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 2282, HIM 2253 & HIM 2723* **HIM 2500** – Quality Assurance and Compliance *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 1300 & HIM 2214*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester.

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SEMESTER 9 (SPRING)	ACTION ITEMS
HIM 2283 – Advanced Medical Coding *(3 cr) (B8)* *Pre-req: HIM 2282, HIM 2723 & HIM 2253* **HIM 2512** – Supervision and Organizational HIT *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 1300 & HIM 2214*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester.

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 6

SEMESTER 10 (SUMMER)	ACTION ITEMS
POS 1041 – American Government *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: ENC 0025 and REA 0017 with a grade of C or better or ENC 0027C with a grade of C or better or score out on appropriate placement test.*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester. • Signup for and pass the Florida Civic Literacy Exam.

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 3

SEMESTER 11 (FALL)	ACTION ITEMS
        HIM 2800 – Health Information Technology Internship I *(3 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 1300, HIM 2012 & either HIM 2253 or HIM 2282*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester. • Check with your advisor for important deadlines and dates. • Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester. • Check with your advisor for important deadlines and dates. **Civic Literacy Requirement** Prior to the award of an associate in science degree, students who enter a Florida College System (FCS) or State University System (SUS) institution in fall 2022 or thereafter must meet the civic literacy requirements. The civic literacy requirements apply to students who are admitted to an FGC associates or baccalaureate degree programs as follows: • Students transferring from another FCS or SUS institution and have met the civic literacy requirements in their associate degree are considered to have met the requirements for the associate or baccalaureate degree. • Students transferring from another FCS or SUS institution and have NOT

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SEMESTER 12 (SPRING)	ACTION ITEMS
HIM 2810 – Health Information Technology Internship II *(4 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 2800* **HIM 2960 –** RHIT Exam Preparation *(1 cr)* *Pre-req: HIM 2800*	• Meet with the program advisor to confirm or update your academic/career goals by the end of the semester. • Ask about Early Testing for the RHIT exam! • Check with your advisor for important deadlines and dates. • Complete your application for graduation! • Complete the Graduate Information Sheet provided to you by the program advisor.

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 5

HIT, AS DEGREE MINIMUM: 70 CREDIT HOURS|PATHWAY TOTAL: 70 CREDIT HOURS

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