

Certificate: **MEDICAL RECORD CODER (MRC7)**

Credit Requirements: 38 semester credit hours

Criminal Background Check Required: YES

Urine Drug Screening Required: YES

The Medical Record Coder certificate prepares students for rewarding career opportunities within the field of Health Information Management through in-depth instruction on medical record coding, focus on medical pathology, pharmacology and interpretation of medical documentation. Hands-on coding practice will be achieved in lab settings, hospitals and other health care facility medical record departments.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Students must undergo a criminal background check prior to entry into the program, with no findings that would prevent licensure/certification.
- Submission of Health Sciences division physical examination form indicating the candidate has the ability to perform the physical tasks required in the program.
- Proof of CPR course is required for graduation.
- Students will be required to travel to off-campus sites for specified courses.

PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS

- A grade of "C" or better in each of the required courses.

FIRST SEMESTER (FALL)

AHS 102	Medical Terminology	3
BIO 112	Basic Anatomy & Physiology	4
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
HIM 110	Health Information Science I	3
	TOTAL	13

SECOND SEMESTER (SPRING)

HIM 130	Billing and Reimbursement	3
HIM 135	Medical Pathology	3
HIM 137	Pharmacology for Coders	1
HIM 140	Current Procedural Terminology I	3
HIM 216	Coding and Classification I	3
	TOTAL	13

THIRD SEMESTER (SUMMER)

HIM 141	Current Procedural Terminology II	3
HIM 150	Coding Practicum I	3
HIM 225	Coding and Classification II	3
HIM 266	Computers in Healthcare	3
	TOTAL	12
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	38