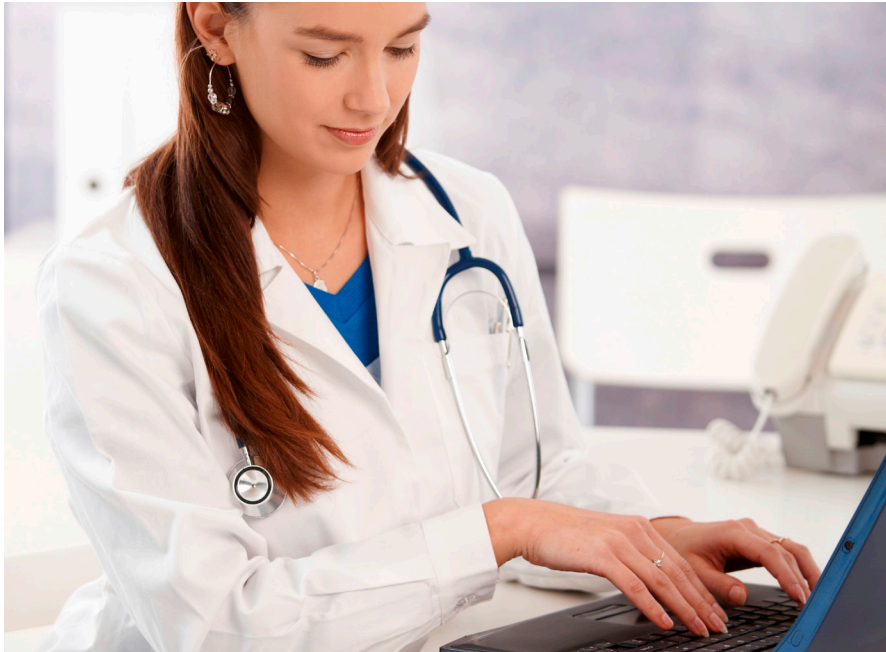


Medical Informatics

Associate of Applied Science degree



Program and Career Description:

The Associate of Applied Science in Medical Informatics prepares graduates for career entry in computer technician positions in healthcare settings. Students develop technical and non-technical communication skills, tools/application use, legal aspects of medical office technologies, and the nuances of electronic medical record keeping, reimbursement, and billing practices. The Developer concentration emphasizes health information management in the information technology environment. The Technician concentration integrates healthcare and information technology.

How long is the program?

Medical Informatics (MEDI) program completion requires 4-5 semesters of full time study. Students with applicable prior college credit may be able to complete in less than two years. Students may work with an Advisor to develop a personalized academic plan for part-time study over an extended period. This program is an open enrollment opportunity and may be started during any semester. The prerequisite nature of courses may result in some courses being offered only during specific semesters.

What does the program provide?

The Medical Informatics A.A.S. degree provides the training needed to move rapidly into the healthcare workplace. Possible job titles for completers might include implementation support specialist, implementation manager, technical and software support staff member and trainer. Generally, positions fall into three job fields: Information Technology professional, health information management professional and clinical informatician.

How is the job market?

Graduates of the A.A.S. degree in Medical Informatics will be eligible for employment in various medical settings. Specific job-related supply and demand information is dependent upon the career path selected. Job related career and salary information for the chosen career field may be accessed via www.bls.gov. Health Science fields are projected to be among the top ten growing occupational areas for the foreseeable future based on both state and national employment projections.

Transfer Options

The Medical Informatics associate of applied science degree is designed for career-entry. However, some universities may accept some or all of the course work for transfer. Transfer credit is awarded at the discretion of the receiving institution. Students are advised to inquire directly with advisors at the university level regarding expectations for transfer.

www.columbiastate.edu/medinfo



MEDICAL INFORMATICS

Major in Medical Informatics (A.A.S.)

Program Requirements

Communications Requirement
ENGL 1010

Humanities/Fine Arts (Take 1 course)
ART 1030
ARTH 2010, 2020
ENGL 2015, 2130, 2230, 2330, 2920, 2440
HUM 1130, 1131
MUS 1030
PHIL 1030, 2030, 2033
THEA 1030

Natural Science Requirement (Take both courses)
BIOL 2010 **and** BIOL 2020

Social/Behavioral Sciences (Take 1 course)
PSYC 1030 **or** PSYC 2130

Major Required Courses
ADMN 1306, 2318
CITC 1300, 1303, 1333, 2340, 2390
COLS 101
HIT 115*, 125, 250
INFS 1010

Option 1: Medical Informatics Developer
CITC 1301, 1313, 2361

Option 2: Medical Informatics Technician
CITC 1320, 1323, 1324

*Course offered spring only.

If you have completed TN eCampus courses, run a degree audit from the student tab in myChargerNet to determine how these courses apply to this program.

Requirements for Graduation include:

- earning 25% of total program credits in residence at Columbia State.
- GPA of at least 2.0 in program courses.
- cumulative GPA must be 2.0.
- taking the Exit Exam.

Sample Academic Plan

First Year – Fall Semester

___ BIOL 2010	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
___ ENGL 1010	English Composition I	3
___ INFS 1010	Computer Applications	3
___ ADMN 1306	Medical Terminology I	3
___ Humanities/Fine Arts Requirement		3
___ COLS 101	Columbia State College Success	1
		17

First Year - Spring Semester

___ BIOL 2020	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
___ HIT 115*	Introduction to Health Information Tech	4
___ CITC 1303	Database Concepts	3
___ CITC 1313	(Option 1) Net Programming or	
___ CITC 1320	(Option 2) A+ Hardware and Software	3
___ Social/Behavioral Sciences Requirement		3
		17

Second Year - Fall Semester

___ CITC 1300	Beginning HTML and CSS	3
___ CITC 1333	Linux LPIC-1	3
___ CITC 2340	Adv. Database Concepts & Programming	3
___ CITC 1301	(Option 1) Intro to Programming & Logic or	
___ CITC 1323	(Option 2) CCNA I	3
___ HIT 250	Legal Aspects of Health Information	3
		15

Second Year - Spring Semester

___ ADMN 2318	Medical Office Procedures	3
___ CITC 2390	CITC Capstone	3
___ CITC 2361	(Option 1) Adv. Web Page Design & Dev. or	
___ CITC 1324	(Option 2) CCNA II	3
___ HIT 125	Computer Applications in HIT	3
		12

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 61

For more information contact:

www.columbiastate.edu/medinfo
Health Sciences Division Office, Walter 112
or
healthsciences@columbiastate.edu
or
931.540.2599 or 931.540.2600