

HEALTH INFORMATION FUNDAMENTALS (ITC)

Intermediate Technical Certificate

Career-Technical Program

Interest Areas:

**Business Admin. and Management
Healthcare**

The Health Information Fundamentals certificate program is designed for those who wish to continue their education with Idaho State University (ISU) and earn an associate of applied science degree in Health Information Technology. ISU courses required to complete the A.A.S. degree are offered through distance education so students can complete the degree without moving to ISU's campus. Upon completion of ISU's Health Information Technology A.A.S. degree, graduates are eligible to take the national certification examination through the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA). Successful completion of the examination results in earning the Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT) credential.

Gainful Employment Information (<https://www.nic.edu/programs/ge/92-CC1/Gedt.html>)

Program Website (https://www.nic.edu/programs/viewprogram.aspx?program_id=92)

Program Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Semester 1		
BIOL-175	Human Biology	4
CAOT-120	Word Processing/Word I	1
CAOT-179	Medical Terminology	2
CAOT-180	Legal Issues in Health Care	1
PHAR-150	Introduction to Pharmacology	3
PHIL-103	Ethics	3
ENGL-101	English Composition	3
	Credits	17
Semester 2		
COMM-101	Introduction to Speech Communication	3
HCIT-101	Health Information I	4
MAST-180	Introduction to Human Disease	3
MATH-123	Contemporary Mathematics	3
PSYC-101	Introduction to Psychology	3
	Credits	16
	Total Credits	33

Health Information Technology through Idaho State University

Idaho State University (ISU) offers the required courses for the completion of the A.A.S. degree in Health Information Technology. NIC students can transfer their credits from the above technical certificate program to ISU and take the 38 credits from ISU to receive an A.A.S. degree in Health Information Technology from Idaho State University.

Course Key



GEM



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AAS
Institutionally
Designated



Gateway



Milestone

Program Outcomes

Upon completion of the program, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate appropriate work relationships and habits, communication skills, and computation skills used in an entry-level medical records position.
- Protect patients' health information for confidentiality, authorized access for treatment, and data security.
- Communicate effectively (in verbal and written forms) using medical terms for anatomy, disease, and diagnostic and therapeutic procedures.
- State the major therapeutic drug classifications and identify the following about each classification:
 - basic mechanism of action
 - common indications
 - important abbreviations and vocabulary terms