



## Associate of Science in Health Information Technology (71 credits)

The Associate of Science degree in Health Information Technology (HIT) is designed to prepare students to maintain patient records and health patient records and health information data in every health care setting including acute care, long-term, ambulatory care, insurance and federal agencies. After successful completion of the HIT Associate program, the graduate is eligible to take the national RHIT certification examination through AHIMA (American Health Information Management Association). Upon successfully passing the RHIT examination through AHIMA, the graduate is certified through AHIMA as a Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT). Note: HIT Associates students are eligible to take the RHIT examination in the final semester of their Associate coursework, as long as in good academic standing. Consult with your advisor for current transferability information.

### REQUIREMENTS AND PRE-REQUISITES:

Students do not need special permission to be admitted to the HIT program. Students need a 2.75 GPA and a "C" or better in all HCHT courses. For further advisement contact Roseanna McGinn MBA-HCA, RHIT [rmcginn@unm.edu](mailto:rmcginn@unm.edu) and Michelle Lee [tsinnami@unm.edu](mailto:tsinnami@unm.edu).

<u>GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (33):</u>		Credits	Grade	Semester
<u>Communications (6):</u>				
ENGL 1110	Composition I	3	_____	_____
ENGL 1120	Composition II OR	3	_____	_____
COMM 2120	Interpersonal Communications			
<u>Arts and Design/Humanities (3):</u>				
For required courses, refer to the General Education Curriculum		3	_____	_____
<u>Social and Behavioral Science (6):</u>				
For required courses, refer to the General Education Curriculum		3	_____	_____
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### Mathematics/Physical and Natural Science (7):

MATH 1350	Introduction to Statistics	OR	3	_____	_____
MATH 1220	College Algebra				
	Choose from BIOL 1140/1140L, 1310/1310L, 2210/2210L OR HCHS 113*		4	_____	_____

### Physical Education/Health (2):

Choose from any Health or Physical Education Course			1	_____	_____
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### Health Sciences (6):

HCHS 111	Medical Terminology		3	_____	_____
HCHS 115	Pharmacology for Health Occupations (Spring)		3	_____	_____

### Business Technology (3):

BCIS 1110	Intro to Information Systems		3	_____	_____
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### HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CORE (38):

HCHT 121	Health Information Technology I (Fall/Spring)		4	_____	_____
HCHT 211	Basic ICD / CPT Coding (Fall/Spring)		4	_____	_____
HCHT 213	Principles of Disease (Fall)		4	_____	_____
HCHT 215	Advanced OP Coding (Spring)		2	_____	_____
HCHT 219	Advanced IP Coding (Summer)		3	_____	_____
HCHT 221	Medical-Legal & Quality Management (Spring)		4	_____	_____
HCHT 222	Health Information Technology II (Fall/Spring)		4	_____	_____



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HCHT 231	Computer Application & Statistics (Fall)	4	_____	_____
HCHT 232	Reimbursement Methodologies (Spring)	3	_____	_____
HCHT 233	Professional Practice Experience (Spring)	6	_____	_____

**FOR ADVISEMENT:** Contact the Advisement Center at (505) 863-7706