

MEDICAL CODING (0563)
Health Science Division
RECOMMENDED COURSES
FOR CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Medical coders review patient medical (health) records and assign numeric codes for each diagnosis and procedure. To perform this task, they must possess expertise in the International Classification of Diseases and Current Procedural Terminology coding systems. This certificate program is designed to prepare the student for an entry-level position as a medical coder.

This online certificate program begins once a year in the fall semester. Applications are accepted up to May 31.

Requirements:

The student must complete any Reading and English Learning Support area requirements, all pre-requisite courses, and be accepted into this program before beginning any HITE classes. A GPA of 2.5 is required in order to be considered and the student must achieve a grade of "C" or better to remain in the program. *Darton State College Code of Conduct Policies related to Disruptive and Obstructive Behavior will be enforced in an online program just as it would be in a traditional classroom. Exhibit of such behavior may result in dismissal from the program.*

Prerequisites must be completed or in progress before acceptance to the program		
		Sem. Hrs
BIOL 1100K	Human Anatomy and Physiology for the	4
	Health Care Professional* (taken within last 5 years)	4
CISM 2201	Fundamentals of Computer Applications	3
ALHE 1120	Medical Terminology	1
		<u>8</u>

	Fall Semester	Sem. Hrs
*HITE 2100	Health Record Content and Structure	3
*HITE 2400	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology	3
		<u>6</u>
	Spring Semester	
*HITE 2150	Coding I	3
		<u>3</u>
	Summer Semester	
*HITE 2160	Coding II	2
		<u>2</u>
	Fall Semester	
*HITE 2170	Advanced Coding and Reimbursement	3
	Total	22

*Online course only.

** A combination of BIOL 2111K and BIOL 2112K (Anatomy and Physiology I & II) may be substituted if taken within the last 5 years.

For additional Health Science Division policies that apply to this program, please refer to Academic Regulations, Section R – T.

Depending on your enrollment status, you may be required to take DART 1000, "First Year Experience." Please refer to Section 7 Academic Support Services Paragraph J