

Coding Specialist

CERT | Certificate



"I wanted to be prepared for a job without running up debt. Now, I'm heading up a small hospital HIM program. The Sitka Campus didn't just change my future - it set me on a new trajectory!"

—Morley Gordon

Health Information Technology graduate

Train in Alaska for a High Demand Career

Health care costs and the necessity to enhance the management of health care delivery systems have created an explosion in the demand for health care information specialists – people with the knowledge and skills necessary to process, analyze, and distribute health care information in diverse environments.



The UAS Sitka HIM program prepares students for a fast-paced, high-paying, in-demand field with opportunities to blend an interest in medicine with multifaceted information management challenges. Health information professionals use their knowledge of information technology and records management to form the link between clinicians, administrators, technology designers, and information technology professionals.



Graduates are prepared to sit for the national coding examination; successful completion of the exam leads to the professional credential of Certified Coding Specialist.



All courses are available online - access to a computer and high speed internet is required. Some courses require professional experience or internships at an approved facility.

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Degree Requirements | 1 year, 30 credits

General Requirements

10

WRTG 111 Writing Across Contexts

3

HS 114 Fundamentals of Anatomy and Physiology

4

Oral Communication (COMM 111, COMM 235, COMM 237, COMM 241)

3

Program Requirements

20

HIM 135 Medical Terminology

3

HIM 155 Coding I: Outpatient

3

HIM 255 Coding II: Inpatient

3

HIM 258 Coding III: Advanced Coding

3

HIM 261 Revenue and Financial Management for Healthcare

3

HIM 272 Pathophysiology and Pharmacology

4

HIM 282 CCS Examination Preparation

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Potential Careers

Clinical Documentation Technician
Health Information Technician
Medical Biller
Medical Records Technician

Medical Records Clerk
Medical Coder
Medical Billing Specialist

Additional UAS Opportunities

Occupational Endorsement

Health Information Technology
Certified Nurse Aide

Certificate

Healthcare Privacy and Security
Medical Assisting
Pre-Radiologic Technology
Pre-Nursing Qualifications

Associate of Applied Science

Health Information Management
Health Sciences

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