

Health Information Technology

If you love the medical field but want to work normal business hours, Health Information Technology is the way to go. As a health information professional, you'll collect, analyze, secure, and report health data for use by insurance companies, physicians, and health care facilities.

At McLennan, you can become trained as a health information technician in only two years. You'll earn an associate degree and be prepared to take the national certification exam, so you can begin a rewarding career in the health field. You can also choose to complete a one-year certificate in Medical Coding.

What You'll Learn

- Coding
- Billing



- HIPAA Privacy & Security
- EHR Navigation
- Tableau Data Analytics

What You'll Get

- Classroom, laboratory, and clinic experience
- Hands-on experience with leading medical software
- Supervised clinical practice
- Instructors who are dedicated to your success

Career Opportunities

Due to an aging population, Health Information Technology is one of the fastest growing professions in the country. The Bureau of Labor estimates that employment of health information technicians will increase 13 percent by 2026.

Admission Requirements

The certificate in Medical Coding does not have entrance requirements. The Health Information Technology program is competitive entry requiring an application. Students must:

- Have a minimum GPA of 2.5 in specified courses
- Pass a background check
- Fulfill Texas Success Initiative requirements

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How to Apply

Applications must be completed by June 1 for the fall semester and Nov. 1 for the spring semester.

- Complete the McLennan Community College application at www.mclennan.edu/BeAHighlander
- Complete the Health Information Technology Checklist and Application

Financial Aid

If you are interested in applying for financial aid, please complete the FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov by June 1 for the following academic year. For more information about financial aid, go to www.mclennan.edu/financial-aid or call McLennan's Highlander Central at 254-299-8622.

Clinical Experiences

Clinicals involve requirements above and beyond normal classroom obligations:

- You must be able to travel to assigned clinical sites.
- Transportation expenses are your responsibility (clinical sites are within a 200-mile radius of Waco).
- You must complete a drug screen and background check before being cleared for clinicals.

You must provide documentation of a current physical, immunizations and a Tuberculosis skin test, or chest x-ray.

Gainful Employment

Important information about the educational debt, earnings, and completion rates of students in this program is available at www.mclennan.edu/gainful-employment.

Learn More

To find out more about Health Information Techology, visit www.mclennan.edu/health-professions/health-information-technology/.

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A lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission to and participation in career and technical education programs.

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La falta de conocimiento del idioma inglés no será un impedimento para la admisión y participación en programas de educación técnica y profesional.

For students in these programs who may have a criminal background, please be advised that the background could keep you from being licensed by the State of Texas. If you have a question about your background and licensure, please speak with your faculty member or program director. You also have the right to request a criminal history evaluation letter from the applicable licensing agency.

For more information, contact:

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