

2021-2022

Health Information Technology Program Expenses

Tuition/ Basic Fees

	Health Information Certificate	Medical Scribe Certificate	Medical Coding Certificate	Health Information Technology Degree
1st semester	4* credit hours=\$648	14 credit hours (prereq)	14 credit hours (prereq)	14 credit hours (prereq)
2nd semester	7* credit hours=\$1,134	13 credit hours (prereq)	13 credit hours (prereq)	13 credit hours (prereq)
3rd semester		13 credit hours=\$2,106	13 credit hours =\$2,106	13 credit hours=\$2,106
4th semester		11 credit hours=\$1,782	11 credit hours=\$1,782	11 credit hours=\$1,782
5th semester			6 credit hours=\$972	9 credit hours=\$1,458
6th semester				10 credit hours=\$1,620
Total Tuition	\$1,782	\$3,888	\$4,860	\$6,966

*Does not include prerequisite courses.

Books	\$1,500.00
Supplies	\$200.00
Access to online HER	\$170.00
Travel to affiliation sites	Varies
(students are responsible for providing their transportation to professional practice sites)	
Drug Testing and Alcohol Testing (per semester)	\$22.50
Liability/accident insurance (per semester)	\$14.50
Physical examination/vaccinations/health insurance.....	Varies
(before professional practice placement with a physician of student's choice)	
Castlebranch Background Check and Document Tracker.....	\$78.00
AHIMA student membership.....	\$45.00
Student affiliation name tag	\$5.00
Application fee for program	None
Graduation fee	\$20.00

Fee to Take the CCS Examination for Medical Coding Certificate

In addition to the above-referenced expenses, the AHIMA's fee to take the CCS credentialing examination for 2021 is \$299.00 for members and \$399.00 for non-members.

The American Academy of Professional Coders fee to take the CPC examination is \$299.00 online and \$399 in person. The CIC examination fee is \$399.00.

Fee to Take the R.H.I.T. Examination for Health Information Technology Degree

In addition to the above-referenced expenses, the AHIMA's fee to take the R.H.I.T. credentialing examination for 2021 was \$229.00 for AHIMA members and \$299.00 for non-members.

Online Coursework

HIT courses are available only online. Online students must have access to the following computer requirements and set up to complete classwork.

1. Computer with high-speed access to the Internet (cable, DSL)
2. Web-browser software: most reliable is Firefox
3. Install: Java (NOTE:Install the most recent version and ensure multiple copies of Java are not installed.)
4. Windows 7 or higher
5. Adobe reader will be necessary to download PDF files (install the reader: <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>)
6. Lectures are included using a system called Kaltura. Pop-up avoidance software must be disabled.
7. Speakers or headphones

Estimated tuition rates and other costs are subject to change. Tuition/fees will change annually by at least \$2.00 per credit hour per State Board Resolution. Expenses are estimated for residents of Alabama who are full-time students.