What is the HIT AAS?
The Health Information Technology AAS degree is designed to meet growing demands for trained Health Information Specialists and Data Managers in the Health IT industry. Coursework combines elements of business, computers, health sciences and Health IT with practical computer lab and on-site internship experiences.

The curriculum is designed to cover core skills for a wide variety of possible job options, not one specific job title. Students learn skills in areas including coding, billing, electronic health records (EHRs), data analytics and reporting, quality improvement, legal compliance, principals of informatics systems/IT foundation, and other technical processes.

When are classes offered?
The majority of HIT courses are offered online and the traditional classroom setting courses are offered in the evening. General education courses may be available in different formats and can be taken at any DMACC campus.

Will I get hands-on experience?
DMACC offers an Internship as part of the HIT program. Internship sites will be established by faculty typically with employers in central Iowa.

What jobs do HIT graduates have?
- Application Analyst/Coordinators
- Business Analyst
- Healthcare Data Analyst
- Health Information Management (HIM) Medical Records Lead
- Information Access/Disclosure Specialist
- Project Assistant
- Informatics Specialist/Analyst
- System Trainer
- Test Analyst/Associate Test Analyst
- Report Analyst
- System Support Specialist
What job responsibilities are performed by HIT graduates?

- Implement and provide ongoing support of electronic health record systems and other health IT application/IT projects
- Train and support other end users on health IT systems to ensure optimal application functionality
- Assure compliance with laws/regulatory and voluntary accreditation requirements related to healthcare/health IT
- Support HIPAA privacy/security compliance
- Process requests for information according to legal requirements
- Participate on project teams and complete project status reports to ensure implementation and support of project solutions
- Participate in and complete reporting for quality improvement projects utilizing tools from different performance models
- Extract, analyze and complete data reporting to assist with coordinating of care, population health management and value based payment models

How much do HIT jobs pay?
Average pay range: $15-$37/Hour

Where will I work?
DMACC’s HIT graduates work in a number of settings including hospitals, clinics, insurance companies, cancer registries, research, government agencies, software companies, long-term care/assisted living facilities, home health care, etc.

Why HIT?
Assist clinicians in utilizing technology to improve healthcare and making the healthcare system more efficient. Use your HIT skills to make a difference in the lives of patients!

Criminal background checks will be completed on each student prior to internship assignments and findings may prevent students from participating in internship experiences at healthcare organizations.

For more information visit www.dmacc.edu/programs/health/healthinfotech

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