HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Job Description
The Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT) performs a variety of health information functions including:

- Working with electronic health records (EHRs)
- Organizing, analyzing, and technically evaluating health information
- Compiling various administrative and health statistics
- Controlling the use and release of health information
- Coding disease operations, procedures and other therapies
- Enforcing HIPAA

Career Opportunities
The career opportunities are endless. Depending on your level of skill and education you may pursue a middle level management or department director position. Potential employment locations may be any one of the following:

- Acute Care Hospital
- Ambulatory/Outpatient Care
- Insurance Company
- Physician’s Office
- Software Company

Approximate Salary in Nevada

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<th>Hourly Wage Range</th>
<th>$20.19 - $31.25</th>
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<td>Median Hourly Wage</td>
<td>$21.29</td>
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Associate degree graduates surveyed by AHIMA earn between $42,000 - $65,000 annually.

Source: Nevada 2016 OES Wage Data
www.nevadaworkforce.com and
US Salary Survey: HIM Professionals 2019

Program Description
The Health Information Technology Program (HIT) is designed for the working student. The majority of students continue to work full time jobs. The standard rule for study time is approximately 2 hours for every 1 credit hour. The program courses are generally offered online, in the late afternoon and evening with some weekends.

The Health Information Technology Program may transfer into a related Health Care Administrative or Baccalaureate Health Information Management Program depending on the receiving university.

Admission Requirements
The CSN Health Information Technology degree is a Limited Entry Program. Therefore, all prerequisite requirements must be completed by the completion deadline in order to be eligible for consideration. See reverse side for specific requirements.

Application Deadline
Students applying for the Fall 2021 program must submit an application to the Limited Entry Office by June 1, 2021. An application for admission may be obtained online at: https://www.csn.edu/Limited-Entry-Admission. Final grades or completed transcript evaluation must be in the Limited Entry Office by June 1, 2021. (Note: the transcript evaluation process may take up to 8-10 weeks, you must initiate this process at least 10 weeks before the completion deadline).

Accepted Students
Students accepted into the program will be required to show proof of health insurance and immunization against Hepatitis B, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Varicella, Tetanus, and Diphtheria. In addition, proof of a negative two-step TB skin test and negative urine drug screen will be required prior to the first scheduled practicum/clinical experience. A physical exam is also required. Students may also be required to submit to an official background check. Medical insurance may be purchased through CSN Student Government.

Approximate Costs
(Costs are subject to change)

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<tr>
<td>Tuition</td>
<td>68 credits x $106.75 per credit hr</td>
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<td>Books</td>
<td>$1,500.00</td>
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<td>Lab Fees</td>
<td>$50.00 per lab</td>
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<td>Physical Exam</td>
<td>$50.00 - $55.00</td>
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<td>Immunizations</td>
<td>$0 - $600.00</td>
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<td>Medical Insurance</td>
<td>$20.00 - $190.00/month</td>
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This is in addition to the tuition and technology fee and is assessed to nonresident students enrolling in 7 or more credit hours.

Accreditation
The Associate Degree Health Information Technology Program at CSN is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM).
http://cahiim.org

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