

# HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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## 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	Long Term Care
Ambulatory/Outpatient Care	Government Agency
Insurance Company	Law Firm
Physician's Office	Consulting Firm
Software Company	

## Approximate Salary in Nevada

Hourly Wage Range ..... \$20.19 - \$31.25  
 Median Hourly Wage ..... \$21.29

Associate degree graduates surveyed by AHIMA earn between \$42,000 - \$65,000 annually.

Source: Nevada 2018 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.

## Approximate Costs

(Costs are subject to change)

Tuition:

68 credits x \$109.75 per credit hr .....\$7,463.00  
 Books .....\$1,500.00  
 Lab Fees .....\$50.00 per lab  
 Physical Exam ..... \$50.00 - \$55.00  
 Immunizations ..... \$0 - \$600.00  
 Medical Insurance..... \$20.00 - \$190.00/month  
 Applies only if you are presently uninsured.  
 AHIMA Student Membership .....\$49.00  
 Credentialing Exam (member).....\$229.00  
 College Application Fee .....\$20.00  
 One time, non-refundable fee charged to new students only.  
 Limited Entry Application Fee.....\$20.00  
 Non-Resident Fee .....\$3,843.00 per semester  
 This is in addition to the tuition and technology fee and is assessed to nonresident students enrolling in 7 or more credit hours.

## Application Deadline

Students applying for the Fall 2022 program must submit an application to the Limited Entry Office by **June 1, 2022**. An application for admission may be obtained online at: <https://www.csn.edu/Limited-Entry-Admission2>. Final grades or completed transcript evaluation must be in the Limited Entry Office by **June 1, 2022**. (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.

## Accreditation

The Health Information Management accreditor of College of Southern Nevada is the [Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management](#) Education (CAHIIM). The College's accreditation for associate degree in Health Information Technology has been reaffirmed through 2021. All inquiries about the program's accreditation status should be directed by mail to CAHIIM, 200 East Randolph Street, Suite 5100, Chicago, IL, 60601; by phone at (312) 235-3255; or by email at [info@cahiim.org](mailto:info@cahiim.org).



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