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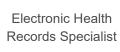
# Associate of Applied Science Health Information Technology

### **Certificates**

Medical Billing & Coding Medical Office Admin. Assistant Electronic Health Records Specialist



Medical Office Admin. Assistant







AND CAREER TRAINING

RADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## **Program Summary**

In 2013, Missouri State University
—West Plains was awarded the
Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training
Grant (TAACCCT).

This grant funding will provide a means to enable Missouri Trade Act, Veterans, unemployed, underemployed, dislocated and other disadvantaged learners to obtain the education and training necessary to productively enter or re-enter the workforce.

MSU-WP, through these education and training programs, provides the opportunity for individuals to earn credentials that prepare them for higher-wage, high-skill and high demand occupations. The design for the education and training programs is one that provides a pathway for continued movement for participants toward higher or stackable credentialing as a means to improve academically, professionally, and economically to meet Missouri workforce need and reinforce the economical infrastructure of the State.

The Department of Labor is implementing the TAACCCT program in partnership with the Department of Education.

#### What Type of Work Will I Do?

HIT technicians are health care professionals in charge of processing patient data. They ensure quality, accuracy, accessibility and security in both paper and electronic systems.

#### What Is The Employment Outlook

For <u>Health Information Technology</u>, the State and National trends have risen more than 22% nationally and 12% in Missouri over the past 10 years.

For <u>medical administrative assistants</u> about 36% between 2012 and 2022, which is much faster than the average growth for all occupations. Job prospects are particularly good for those looking to work in physicians' offices and surgical hospitals.

For medical records and health specialists. Employment growth is projected to be 36%. In May 2014, the BLS reported that technicians earned a median annual salary of \$35,900.

#### Where Would I Work?

Although most graduates with this degree work in hospitals, they are also found in other healthcare settings including office-based physician practices, nursing homes, home health agencies, mental health facilities and public health agencies.

#### Do I need to be certified?

Although certification is not required, certified technicians may have a better chance at getting a job. The student who completes the requirements of this program will be eligible to take a nationally recognized exam for certification.

# **Our Partners**

South Central Workforce Investment Board and the Missouri Job Center are Grant partners and may be able to assist you with financial aid and supportive services to help you reach your educational and employment goals.

Whether you are dealing with job loss, career changes, or planning for your future, there are many resources available!

Contact the West Plains Job Center at 417-256-3158 and begin your exploration.





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