# Health Information Technology (HIT) Pathway EXPERIENCE. SUCCESS. ONE STACKABLE CREDENTIAL AT A TIME.

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Career Pathways are an innovative model that connects progressive levels of education allowing you to build upon your education in increments. Along the way you develop job skills, have potential for higher earnings, and become more marketable to employers. WITC also has support services available to help you along the pathway, including Study Skills, Employment Services, Accommodations, Financial Aid, and others.

### Medical Coding Specialist

Technical Diploma (one-year) (Part Time Options Available)

#### CAMPUS

Online

CREDITS 28 ESTIMATED 2018-2019 TUITION

\$4,110

**Financial Aid Eligible** 

#### POTENTIAL CAREERS Medical Coding Specialist, Clinical Coding Specialist, Claims Analyst

**POTENTIAL STARTING WAGES** \$23,710 to \$55,896 annually\*\*

WITC 2017 GRADUATES\*\* Employed Within 6 Months 92% Average Yearly Salary \$39,803

### Health Information Technology (HIT) Associate Degree (two-year)

(Part Time Options Available)

CAMPUS Online

#### **CREDITS** 33 Credits Remain – If successfully completed

the Medical Coding Specialist Technical Diploma

61 Credits - Total Credits Needed to Receive Health Information Technology Associate Degree

**ESTIMATED 2018-2019 TUITION** \$9,008

**Financial Aid Eligible** 

POTENTIAL CAREERS Health Information Technician, HIM Supervisor, Insurance / Business Specialist

**POTENTIAL STARTING WAGES** \$21,318 to \$54,543 annually\*\*

WITC 2017 GRADUATES\*\* Employed Within 6 Months 89% Average Yearly Salary \$37,931

### **BEYOND WITC**

#### **Bachelor's Degree**

Lakeland University The College of St. Scholastica UW Oshkosh UW Stout

#### Important Notes on Transferring:

- The colleges listed above have developed an Associate Degree to Bachelor Degree Articulation Agreement with WITC (Bachelor Degree programs vary); other colleges may accept WITC credits upon a transcript review.

- The Transfer Information Systems (TIS) allows students to review which WITC courses could be accepted at UW Colleges. Review website for details: www.wisconsin.edu/transfer

 If interested in continuing your education or transferring credits to other colleges, it is encouraged you talk to the Transfer Coordinator or Advisor at your transfer school as soon as you start thinking about the process.

The Associate Degree, Health Information Technology Program at Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM).



\*Tuition are not yet available for the 2018-2019 school year. If you have completed previous credits that transfer into the more advanced program, your costs may be less. Please speak with WITC staff if you have questions on how costs are determined. Tuition is an estimate and does not include any miscellaneous fees for various courses, tools, books, supplies or uniforms. Program book costs are in addition to tuition and fees and vary depending on course selection and where the books are purchased or rented.
\*\*Wage and employment data is compiled from the 2017 WITC or 2016 Wisconsin Technical Collge System (WTCS) Graduate Follow-Up Report; wage data is derived from the wage data compiled through Economic modeling software int'l (Emsi) based on the
WITC county region and the SOC codes assigned through the WTCS. The wage data presented is a range from the 10th and 25th percentile earnings in December 2017. Educational decisions should not be entirely based on the wage data presented as wages are
subject to error and sampling bias. Some people may be hired at a lower or higher starting wage than what is reported here. Annual salaries, from Emsi data, are based on a 40 hour work week over 52 weeks (2080 hours).







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# **PATHWAYS TO WITC:**

START COLLEGE IN HIGH SCHOOL

Take dual credit or advanced standing courses in high school. To find out what courses are available at your high school, go to: WITC .EDU and enter "Dual Credit" in the search buttom. Click on your high school. Additional opportunities may be available through AP courses, ITV Programming, or High School Academies.

### ACADEMIC SUPPORT CENTER

Basic Education Courses: Basic Education Communication, Basic Education Reading, Basic Education Math

General Studies Courses: Writing Foundations, Reading Foundations, Math Foundations **Additional Academic Support Services Include:** GED/HSED Preparation, Study Skills Strategies, Test Taking Strategies, Peer Tutoring, Personal Readiness, Career Exploration, (ELL) English Language Learner, Computer Literacy

### **CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING**

National Exams (AP, CLEP, DSST, IB) or Industry Credentials Work/Life Learning, Challenge Exams, Military, Credit from Other Colleges For specifics on Credit for Prior Learning Options, please go to WITC .EDU and enter "Credit for Prior Learning" in the search button

## **Getting Started is Simple:**

Associate Degree or Technical Diploma (Full or Part-Time)

- Apply Online at witc.edu/apply
- Schedule and Attend an Admissions Meeting

**Take one class:** Register during Open Enrollment (no application required). Depending upon the course, you may be required to assess or submit other eligible college entrance scores. **Certificate:** Apply (no fee) and Register for courses

Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities will be made to ensure access to academic programs, activities, services and employment in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAA). For more details and to contact an Accommodations Specialist go online: WWW. WITC .EDU /stusvcs/disability.htm

### **Class Formats Offered**

To view specific class times within the programs:

- 1. Go to WWW. WITC .EDU
- 2. Click on "Find a Class" on the top of the webpage
- 3. Search for courses.

Not all classes within this program are available in every format offerred at WITC. Class options available for this program are Online and Your Choice.

# **Upcoming Start Dates**

FALL 2019: August 26, 2019 SPRING 2020: January 20, 2020

### **Financial Assistance**

Financial Aid (FAFSA stands for Free Application for Federal Student Aid, including loans, grants, and workstudy): www.fafsa.ed.gov WITC Scholarships: WWW. WITC .EDU; enter "scholarships" in the search button WITC Promise Scholarship: Tuition assistance for qualifying high

school graduates There are agencies that may be able to provide financial support for tuition, books, tools, gas, and/or childcare based on income and other qualifying factors. To find out more, please contact an Admissions Advisor for an

"Education Referral Document", which includes a full list of all available agency resources in your county of residence. Individuals are often required to complete the FAFSA prior to receiving funding from many of the agencies.

### 2018-2019 Cost Per Credit

(WI and MN Residents) \$148/credit. ( plus books and supplies ) Online courses are an additional \$10/credit

### **Contact a WITC Admissions Advisor and Get Started:**

Ashland: 800.243.9482 extension 3195 New Richmond: 800.243.9482 extension 4339 Rice Lake: 800.243.9482 extension 5220 Superior: 800.243.9482 extension 6243 E-mail: admissionadvisors@ WITC .EDU



Please call **800.243.9482** or email: admissionadvisors@WITC .EDU to speak with an Admissions Advisor

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