PARKER UNIVERSITY

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Parker University is a nonprofit, regionally accredited university that offers an Associate of Applied Science with a major in Health Information Technology (AAS-HIT). The program prepares students to support a wide spectrum of health care providers with the adoption and use of electronic health records. Health information technologists make it possible for doctors and others to best manage patient care through the use of databases, registries, and other patient history resources.

PARKER’S HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM CONSISTS OF:

- A curriculum that allows students to master one course each month
- Preparation for relevant certification and licensure examinations
- A total of 69 credit hours
  - 26 credit hours of general education courses
  - 43 credit hours of major core courses

PARKER’S AAS IN HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM PREPARES ITS GRADUATES TO:

- Code, classify, and index diagnoses and procedures using ICD-9-CM, ICD-10-CM/PCS, CPT, and HCPCS;
- Define and apply appropriate computerized and manual record management techniques for the maintenance of a quality health information system ensuring health information is complete, accurate, and accessible to appropriate users;
- Collect and analyze information related to health care delivery;
- Identify and apply legal and ethical principles to health information technology, maintain compliance with standards and regulations regarding health information;
- Identify and apply management techniques appropriate to health information technology.
WHERE DO HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGISTS WORK?

Health information technologists are increasingly prevalent as the adoption of electronic health records continues to rise throughout the health care industry. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the U.S. will see a 22% job growth of HIT professionals between 2012 and 2022 – that’s a projection of more than 41,000 new jobs. An Associate of Applied Science degree in Health Information Technology is especially relevant in Texas, as the health care industry is responsible for more than 15% of the state’s annual employment growth.

CAREER OUTLETS FOR PARKER UNIVERSITY’S HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY GRADUATES INCLUDE:

- Hospitals
- Private physician practices
- Nursing and residential care facilities
- Mental health facilities
- Government agencies

WHY PARKER’S HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM?

- Earn your associate’s degree in approximately two years
- A curriculum geared toward successfully passing relevant certification and licensure examinations
- A flexible schedule that allows students to manage other personal and professional commitments

ACREDITATION

Parker University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award the Associate of Applied Science degree.