

If you want the business side of health care, one of the health information programs may be a good choice for you. Employment is expected to grow faster than average for health information professionals. Job prospects should be very good; technicians with a strong background in medical coding will be in particularly high demand. In health information departments, experienced administrators will be employed in supervision and management, overseeing the work of the coding, correspondence, or discharge sections. All positions within this field require proficiency with computers, careful attention to detail, and the ability to work independently. Students will complete assignments using both paper and electronic health records.

Communication Competency Requirements

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	GRCC Equiv.	GRCC Course Title	GRCC Cr. Hrs.
COMM 105 or COMM 221	Interpersonal Communication or Small Group Decision Making	3	COM 135 or No Equivalent	Interpersonal Communications or No Equivalent	3
ENGL 150	English 1	3	EN 100 or EN 101	College Writing or English Composition 1	3
ENGL 250	English 2	3	EN 102	English Composition 2	3

Quantitative Literacy Requirements

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	GRCC Equiv.	GRCC Course Title	GRCC Cr. Hrs.
MATH 110	College Algebra	3	MA 098	Elementary Algebra	4

Natural Sciences Competency Requirements - 1 course with lab

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	GRCC Equiv.	GRCC Course Title	GRCC Cr. Hrs.
BIOL 109	Basic Human Anatomy and Physiology	4	BI 117	General Human Anat & Phys	4

Self and Society Competency Requirements – Minimum 3 credits

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	GRCC Equiv.	GRCC Course Title	GRCC Cr. Hrs.
Varies	FSU General Education – Self and Society Competency	3	Varies	Varies	3

Culture Competency Requirements - Minimum 3 credits

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	GRCC Equiv.	GRCC Course Title	GRCC Cr. Hrs.
Varies	FSU General Education - Culture Electives	3	Varies	Varies	3

Ferris State University General Education Program

Students are encouraged to work with an advisor to select appropriate general education courses

Program Requirements

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	GRCC Equiv.	GRCC Course Title	GRCC Cr. Hrs.
MRIS 101	Introduction to Health Information Systems	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
MRIS 103	Medical Terminology	3	GH 110 and GH 111	Medical Terminology and Medical Terminology 2	2 and 2
MRIS 121	Health Information Statistics	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
MRIS 122	Health Information Concepts	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
MRIS 204	ICD-10 Coding 1	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
MRIS 205	ICD-10 Coding 2	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
MRIS 209	Quality Management in Health Care	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
MRIS 210	Fundamentals of Disease Processes	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
MRIS 211	CPT Coding	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
MRIS 220	Legal and Ethical Aspects in HIM	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
MRIS 221	Foundation of Reimbursement	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
MRIS 261	Health Information Technology Review	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
MRIS 293	Professional Practice 1	6	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

Major Requirements

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	GRCC Equiv.	GRCC Course Title	GRCC Cr. Hrs.
ISYS 105	Intro to Micro Systems-Software	3	BA 145 or CIS 103	Computer Applications in Business 1 or Intro Windows / Microsoft Office	3
HCSA 345	Internship Orientation	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
COHP 101	The U.S. Health Care Systems	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
COHP 102	Safety Issues in Health Care	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

Total Credits Required for Degree	75
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Program Contact Information:

Main Campus, Big Rapids

College of Health Professions

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[Transfer Partnerships Website](#)

Delivery Locations

This degree and the Ferris courses are offered at the following locations:

- Ferris State University, Main Campus, Big Rapids
- Select courses may be delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location).

General Admission Criteria

Transfer Students

- 2.5 Overall GPA (on a 4.0 scale)

Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective course work may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

Transfer Student Orientation

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation.

Online Learning

Select courses delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location). The "Online Readiness Tutorial" is required for students who register for an online *course* or are completing an online *degree*. Students must demonstrate competency in Blackboard skills. This may be done by taking a tutorial and quiz, or, for students who have already taken and passed online courses, they can submit a waiver request. Students should check with the department that offers the class to determine its particular needs and/or the Ferris advisor regarding registration for online course work.

Reverse Transfer Agreement

The Community College and Ferris have entered into a partnership in order to work collaboratively and creatively to increase student completion of associate and bachelor degrees. The partners work together to provide a seamless transfer experience and increase student retention and completion at both the community college and Ferris.

Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

Students must work with their Ferris advisor to declare a Minor or Concentration and for selection of Directed Electives.

Disclaimer

This is a guide for students who plan to transfer to Ferris State University. This guide is not intended to be a contract with Ferris. The information on this guide is subject to change. Students should contact their community college or Ferris to keep informed of changes. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Please refer to effective and/or revised date on the bottom of this guide.

