

Articulation Agreement
Between
Medical Coding and Billing Specialist Associate of Applied Business
and Health Information Management Bachelor of Arts
Sending institution **Gogebic Community College**
Receiving institution **The College of St. Scholastica**

Statement of Purpose

This agreement has been entered into by **Gogebic Community College** and **The College of St. Scholastica**. The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate credit transfer and provide a smooth transition from one related program to another. It is further recognized that the attached appendix or appendices shall describe the program of study at Gogebic Community College required for admission eligibility to The College of St. Scholastica in the Health Information Management Program. This agreement identifies all required and equivalent courses at each institution.

Terms and Conditions of Credit Transfer:

Transfer students will be held to the same standards and criteria for admission to a major degree sequence as are The College of St. Scholastica students.

Requirements that must be completed before attending The College of St. Scholastica:

- **Associate of Applied Business** in General Business/Medical Coding and Billing Specialist.

In Addition to the Associate of Applied Business, the following can be satisfied:

Optional requirement that can be completed before attending The College of St. Scholastica

- **MACRAO**, with a religious studies course, TRS 3311 Health Care Ethics, or equivalent, and eight (8) additional semester credits in general education requirements to be completed at CSS. Students meeting this requirement will have satisfied The College of St. Scholastica's lower division general education credit requirements.

Applicants accepted must fulfill the graduation requirements of the granting institution as identified in Appendix A.

APPENDIX A

Memorandum of Cooperation between Gogebic Community College (GCC) and the College of St. Scholastica (CSS).

This transfer articulation agreement for Associate of Applied Business in Medical Coding and Billing Specialist Program includes specific requirements for admission into a program, outlines requirements, and indicates which courses can be used to meet program prerequisites as well as general education, major and program, and graduation requirements.

Health Information Management

Major Admission Requirements at CSS:

1. Cumulative GPA of 2.7 (on a 4.0 scale) or permission from Health Information Management Department.
2. Maintain a 2.7 GPA throughout the program.
3. "C" (2.0) in all courses required by the major department.
4. Completion of an application to the HIM major.
5. Each department reserves the right to select the applicants with the best qualifications from those who meet minimum criteria.

College Graduation Requirements

1. A minimum of 128 semester credit hours (or its equivalent) must be earned.
2. The general education core or its equivalent must be completed.
3. The requirements of the major program selected must be completed.
4. The last 32 semester credit hours of the degree plan must be fulfilled through CSS credits.
5. 42 of the total 128 semester credits needed for graduation must be at the upper division (junior and/or senior level courses).
6. A 2.0 minimum GPA is required for graduation. (2.7 GPA for HIM dept.)

Program Articulation Plan

**Receiving Institution
Courses/Credits**

1. A.A.B. in General Business/Medical Coding and Billing Specialist accepting 86 credits according to St. Scholastica's policy on transfer credit.
2. General Education credits needed MACRAO
Courses taken to satisfy MACRAO requirements will be transferred as a block.
Religious studies course (TRS 3311 Health Care Ethics) or equivalent, & 8 humanities credits to be taken at The College of St. Scholastica.
3. Only courses with a grade of "C" or better will be accepted for credit.

4. Major Course Equivalencies

**Gogebic Community College
Courses/Credits**

**St. Scholastica
Courses/Credits**

Program Requirements

CIT 161 Fundamentals of Computer Applications **or**

CSI 200 Intro. to Computer Science I

BIO 105 Anatomy & Physiology or

BIO 250 Human Anatomy **&**

BIO 251 Human Physiology

BUS 116 Medical Terminology

HIT 105 Health Care Delivery **&**

HIT 106 Regulatory Agencies in Health Care **&**

HIT 107 Reimbursement in Health Care

HIT 108 Medical Office Procedures **&**

HIT 109 Health Care Data Structure **&**

BUS 120 Records Management

BUS 230 Principles of Supervision

HIT 206 Basic ICD-9-CM **&**

HIT 207 Intermediate ICD-9-CM

HIT 210 Basic Ambulatory Care Coding **&**

HIT 211 Intermediate CPT Coding

CIS 1005 or 1105 Computer Information Systems

BIO 2110&2120 Anatomy and Physiology I& II

HIM 2101 Medical Language

HIM 2203 U.S. Health Care System

HIM 2112 Fundamentals of Health Information Management

HIM 3311 Management Human Resources

HIM 3211 Classification of Health Data

HIM 4232 Ambulatory Reimbursement Systems

5. Complete the following at The College of St. Scholastica

Challenge exam for Pharmacology	
Challenge exam for HIM 3132 Medicolegal Issues	
General Education Requirements (determined by CSS)	8 cr.
ENG 1110 First Year Composition	4 cr.
BIO 2777 Anatomy/Physiology Lab (if took BIO 105)	1 cr.
PSY 3331 Statistics	4 cr.
CIS 3105 Management Information Systems	4 cr.
BIO 3020 Pathophysiology	4 cr.
CIS 3108 Systems Analysis and Design	4 cr.
CIS 3107 Database Modeling	4 cr.
RES 3311 Health Care Ethics	4 cr.
HIM 4222 Clinical Data Management	3 cr.
HIM 4315 Management Tools and Strategies	4 cr.
HIM 4411 HIS Strategies and Applications	2 cr.
HIM 4421 Alternative Health Record Systems	2 cr.
HSC 4423 Health Care Issues	2 cr.
HIM 4555 Professional Practice Experience	8 cr.
HIM 4556 Seminar	2 cr.
Upper Division Writing Intensive	4 cr.