### Program Information and Admission Requirements

• Fall 2024 •

## **Medical Billing and Coding (MBC)** *Certificate*

#### **Application Deadline**

Priority consideration is given to applications, including all requirements, received by May 1.

#### **Special Note Regarding Residency**

Non-Massachusetts residents will be admitted on a space available basis only.

#### **Program Description**

Medical Billing and Coding Certificate program consists of 24 college credits. The objective of this program is to provide the students with the skills to perform a variety of administrative health information functions, including those associated with organizing, analyzing, and technically evaluating health insurance claim forms and coding diseases, surgeries, medical procedures, and other therapies for billing and collection. Students achieve success in this 100% online program thru career counseling and support, tutoring, and other health career related experiences. Students will take approximately 6 credits (2 courses) for each of the first three 8-week Minimester sessions and 7 credits (3 courses) in the final 8 week Minimester session for a total of 32 weeks. Small class size ensures students receive individualized attention and support throughout the program.

Graduates of the Medical Billing and Coding Certificate (MBC) program are qualified for entry-level employment in a variety of healthcare settings. Students may find career opportunities in long-term care facilities, hospitals, clinics, physician's offices, billing agencies and insurance companies. Graduates of this program will be able to move up the career ladder by taking additional college-level courses to meet requirements for other certificates or associate degrees in a health career. Graduates of this program will be prepared to take a entry-level national coding exam.

All Medical Billing and Coding courses are held fully online. Students will receive on-going academic and career support by the Program Director in both group and individual settings. The Program Director will work with students to determine individual needs and refer students to MCC services such as tutoring, personal counseling, disability support, and outside resources if required.

#### **Admission Information**

The Admissions office will review applicants in their entirety. Applicants are admitted on a rolling admissions basis. Rolling admissions means that applicants will be admitted in the order that they meet all of the admission requirements, until the class is filled. If the college is unable to admit all qualified applicants for a particular MBC program start date, students will be encourage to apply for the next available session. Non-Massachusetts residents will be admitted on a space available basis only.

#### **Admission Requirements Checklist**

The following are the admissions requirements needed for program qualification for the Medical Billing & Coding Certificate program:

• Eligible for ENG 109/101 or higher

#### **Submitting a Complete Application**

Applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as they have met all requirements.

 Submitted official college or high school transcripts (required from all colleges attended, except Middlesex Community College). Official transcripts can be sent to transcripts@middlesex.edu or mailed to:

> Middlesex Community College Enrollment Management Center 33 Kearney Square Lowell, MA 01852



# Curriculum • Fall 2024 •

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Minimester 1 (Fall MM1)		
Course #	Course Title	Credits
MAS 101	Medical Terminology	3
HIM 104	Medical Office Administration	3
	Total credits	6

Minimester 2 (Fall MM2)		
Course #	Course Title	Credits
BIO 105	Basic Anatomy and Physiology	3
PHO 102	Health Information and Technology	3
	Total credits	6

Minimester 3 (Spring MM1)		
Course #	Course Title	Credits
HIM 106	Procedural Coding	3
HIM 107	Diagnostic Coding	3
	Total credits	6

Minimester	Minimester 4 (Spring MM2)		
Course #	Course Title	Credits	
HIM 110	Medical Billing and Insurance	3	
MAS 123	Electronic Health Records	2	
HIM 221	CCA/CPC Exam Prep	1	
	Total credits	7	

Total Program Credits 24	
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\*Please refer to the Middlesex Community College Academic Catalog (http://catalog.middlesex.mass.edu/) for Medical Billing & Coding course sequencing and prerequisite information.

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