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GENERAL EDUCATION COURSEWORK

Students in Carrington College’s certificate programs complete technical coursework and participate in a career development seminar.

In Carrington College’s degree programs, students also complete a broad base of general education course offerings focusing on:

- English composition
- Computer literacy
- Mathematics
- Social sciences
- Science

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TECHNICAL COURSEWORK

Instruction combines theory and practice to meet the competencies needed to be a medical biller and coder. Students learn to accurately interpret medical records, including diagnoses and procedures of health care providers, as well as to document and code the information for submission to insurance companies. For the final phase of the campus-based program, students participate in a 180-hour externship; online students engage in a capstone project.

Carrington’s academic catalog, available at carrington.edu/carrington-college/catalog, provides the most current and detailed program information, including admission and graduation requirements.
The medical billing and coding field employs professionals who are responsible for the organization and accurate maintenance of patient medical records. These files track data about patients' symptoms, medical history, X-ray and laboratory test results, diagnoses and health care-related treatment. Medical billing and coding professionals ensure that this information is entered into computerized medical record systems. Additionally, medical billing and coding professionals must regularly communicate with physicians to ensure accuracy, clarify diagnoses and obtain supplementary information to update patients' files. They are often also responsible for the timely and accurate submission of complex insurance documents.

Carrington’s Medical Billing and Coding certificate and degree-completion programs prepare students for entry-level employment in a variety of health care environments such as:

- Medical offices
- Dental offices
- Independent billing companies
- Clinics

Graduates may find employment as medical billers, medical insurance specialists, medical secretaries, and medical records and health information technicians.

Upon completion of the Medical Billing and Coding program, graduates will be able to:

- Demonstrate the skills and knowledge necessary to perform medical coding and process medical insurance billing and claims within the health care setting.
- Perform clerical functions and communicate with other professionals, patients and visitors in the health care setting.
- Demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking, information management.

Carrington College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACCJC/WASC), 10 Commercial Blvd., Suite 204, Novato, CA 94949, 415 506 0234, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the US Department of Education. Additional information about accreditation, including the filing of complaints against member institutions, can be found at accjc.org.

For comprehensive information on Carrington’s accreditation, licenses and approvals, visit carrington.edu/accreditation.

The Medical Billing and Coding program is offered to new students online and at the following campuses:

- ALBUQUERQUE, NM
- BOISE, ID
- CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA
- GLENDALE LEARNING CENTER, AZ*
- LAS VEGAS, NV
- MESA, AZ
- MESQUITE, TX
- NORTH SAN JOSE LEARNING CENTER, CA
- OAKLAND LEARNING CENTER, CA†
- PHOENIX NORTH, AZ
- PLEASANT HILL, CA
- POMONA, CA
- PORTLAND, OR
- RENO, NV
- SACRAMENTO, CA
- SAN JOSE, CA
- SAN LEANDRO, CA
- SPOKANE, WA
- STOCKTON, CA
- TUCSON, AZ

* Available May 2, 2016; certificate is awarded from the Phoenix North campus.
† Available May 2, 2016; certificate or degree is awarded from the San Jose campus.
‡ Available May 2, 2016; certificate or degree is awarded from the San Leandro campus.