



Coastal Bend COLLEGE

Administrative Master Syllabus

Cover Sheet

Purpose: The Administrative Master Syllabus provides a general course description, defines the required elements of the course, and establishes a faculty-driven foundation for course assessment to ensure continuous improvement in student learning, irrespective of the course timeframe, or mode of course delivery.

Course Title: Legal and Ethical Aspects of Health Information

Course Prefix and Number: HITT 1353

THECB Approval Number (10 digit): 5107070000

Department: Health Information

Division: Nursing and Allied Health

Course Type: (check only one)

Academic General Education Course (From ACGM but not a CBC Core Course)

Academic CBC Core Course

WECM Course (Special Topics or Unique Needs Course: Y or N)

Weekly Contact Hours (Lecture – Lab – External): 3 - 0 - 0

Course Catalog Description:

Concepts of privacy, security, confidentiality, ethics, health care legislation, and regulations relating to the maintenance and use of health information.

Prerequisites/Co-requisites:

BIOL 2301, BIOL 2101, HITT 1305

Approval: The contents of this document have been reviewed and are found to be accurate.

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Master Course Syllabus

Course Name: HITT 1353 Legal and Ethical Aspects of Health Information

Course Description: Concepts of privacy, security, confidentiality, ethics, health care legislation, and regulations relating to the maintenance and use of health information.

Semester Hour Credit: 3

Lecture Hrs. per Week/Lab Hrs. per Week/External Hrs. per Week: 3-0-0

Curriculum Capacity: 15

Face-to-Face Lab

Online Lab

Face-to-Face Lecture

Online 15

Virtual Face-to-Face

Interactive video (multi-locations)

Hybrid

Clinical

Recommended enrollment threshold:

Face-to-Face Lab

Online Lab

Face-to-Face Lecture

Online 15

Virtual Face-to-Face

Interactive video (multi-locations)

Hybrid

Clinical

Textbook and/or other major required readings:

Title: Fundamentals of Law for Health Informatics and Information Management

Author: Brodrik, Melanie S.

Publisher: AHIMA

Edition: 3rd

ISBN: 9781584265306

The Student Learning Outcomes for the course are the same regardless of modality or location.

**Course Outcomes
(WECM or LDACGM)**

- Apply local, state, and federal standards and regulations for the control and use of health information.
- Demonstrate appropriate health information disclosure practices.
- Identify and discuss ethical issues in health care.

The following general education course competencies (TGE) or Marketable SCAN Skills (CTE/NAH) are addressed in this course: General education course competencies (TGE) or Marketable SCAN Skills (CTE/NAH) assessed are indicated with an asterisk *.

- *Explain policies and procedures of networks, including intranet and Internet.
- *Identify the Legal System in the United States.
- *Identify a complete health record.
- *Explain the HIPPA security rule implementation.
- *Explain the major security issues related to mobile application technologies.

The following program student learning outcome are assessed for this course:

- Domain I. Data Content Structure and Standards-
 - Subdomain I.B. Health Record Content and Documentation
 - Analyze the documentation in the health record to ensure it supports the diagnosis and reflects the patient's progress, clinical findings, and discharge status (ch.9)
 - Verify the documentation in the health record is timely, complete, and accurate (ch.9)
 - Identify a complete health record according to, organizational policies, external regulations, and standards (ch.9)
 - Differentiate the roles and responsibilities of various providers and disciplines, to support documentation requirements, throughout the continuum of healthcare (ch.9)
 - Subdomain I.C. Data Governance
 - Apply policies and procedures to ensure the accuracy of health data (chs.1,7,19)
 - Subdomain I.E Secondary Data Sources
 - Identify and use secondary data sources (chs.15,16)
 - Validate the reliability and accuracy of secondary data sources (chs.15,16)
- Domain II. Information Protection: Access Disclosure, Archival, Privacy and Security- (covered in Domain V).
 - Subdomain II.A. Health Law
 - Apply healthcare legal terminology (all chapters may apply)
 - Identify the use of legal documents (chs.4,5,6,7,8,9,10,14,15,16)
 - Apply legal concepts and principles to the practice of HIM (all chapters may apply)
 - Subdomain II.B. Data Privacy Confidentiality and Security
 - Apply confidentiality, privacy and security measures, policies and procedures for internal and external use/exchange to protect electronic health information (chs.10,11,12,13,15)
 - Apply retention and destruction policies for health information (chs.5,9)

- Apply system security policies according to departmental and organizational data/information standards (chs.12,13)

Subdomain II.C. Release of Information

- Apply policies and procedures surrounding issues of access and disclosure of protected health information (chs.10,11,12,13,14,15,16)

Domain III. Informatics, Analytics and Data Use-

Subdomain III.A. Health Information Technologies

- Explain policies and procedures of networks, including intranet and Internet to facilitate clinical and administrative applications

Subdomain III.B. Information Management Strategic Planning

- Utilize health information to support enterprise wide decision support for strategic planning (ch.9)

Subdomain III.F. Consumer Informatics

- Explain usability and accessibility of health information by patients, including current trends and future challenges, (mobile technologies, patient portals, etc.) (chs.9,14)

Subdomain III.G. Health Information Exchange

- Explain current trends and future challenges in health information exchange (ch.15)

Subdomain III.H. Information Integrity and Data Quality

- Apply policies and procedures to ensure the accuracy and integrity of health data both internal and external to the health system (ch.9)

Domain V. Compliance-

Subdomain V.A. Regulatory

- Analyze policies and procedures to ensure organizational compliance with regulations and standards (all chapters apply)
- Adhere to the legal and regulatory requirements related to the health information management (all chapters apply)

Subdomain V.B. Coding

- Analyze current regulations and established guidelines in clinical classification systems (ch.18)

Subdomain V.C. Fraud Surveillance

- identify potential abuse or fraudulent trends through data analysis (ch.18)

Domain VI. Leadership-

Subdomain VI.C. Work Design and Process Improvement

- Identify cost-saving and efficient means of achieving work processes and goals (chs.5,7)

Subdomain VI.D. Human Resources Management

- Interpret compliance with local, state, and federal labor regulations (ch.20)
- Adhere to work plans, policies, procedures, and resource requisitions in relation to job functions (ch.20)

Subdomain VI.H. Ethics

- Comply with ethical standards of practice (ch.2)
- Evaluate the consequences of a breach of healthcare ethics (chs.2,8,10,11)
- Assess how cultural issues affect health, healthcare quality, cost, and HIM (ch.14,20)
- Create programs and policies that support a culture of diversity (chs.14,20)

Subdomain VI.J.

- Explain Vendor/Contract Management (ch.7)

Evaluation Methods:

Chapter Review Exams Online assignments as Lab exercises Final Exam

Course Grading: Please see individualized instructor policies for course evaluation methods. Students will be assessed on the same measure across each discipline as per CBC guidelines.

Major Course Assignments and/or exams counting for at least 10% of a final course grade:

Chapter Comprehensive Final Exam

Grade Scale:

90 - 100 = A 80 – 89 = B 70 – 79 = C 60 – 69 = D Below 60 = F

Course Subject Matter Outline:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to the fundamentals of Law for Health Informatics and Information Management• Law and Ethics• The Legal System in the United States• Legal Proceedings• Evidence• Tort Law• Corporations, Contracts, and Antitrust Legal Issues• Consent to Treatment• Legal Health Record• HIPPA Privacy Rule, Part I• HIPPA Privacy Rule, Part II• The HIPPA Security Rule• Security Threats and Controls• Patient Rights and Responsibilities• Access, Use, and Disclosure and Release of Health Information• Required Reporting and Mandatory Disclosure Laws• Risk Management, Quality Improvement, and Patient Safety• Corporate Compliance• Medical Staff• Workplace Law |
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Additional Course Requirements:

Class Attendance and Classroom Conduct Policies: SEE COURSE INFORMATION IN BLACKBOARD

Attendance Policy: Please see individualized instructor policies for attendance, which is pursuant to any related policy as outlined by the college handbook, financial aid agreements, or any other college related understanding (e.g., athletics, organizations).

Telephone Support: Toll Free: 866-722-2838 or Direct Line: 361-354-2508

I.T. Support Blackboard

<http://coastalbend.edu/it/>

IT Help Desk
1-361-354-2508

helpdesk@coastalbend.edu

Live Chat: Fall/Spring Hours: Monday - Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Summer Hours: Monday – Thursday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Tutoring Services: Coastal Bend College is committed to the academic success of all students enrolled at the college. A variety of services, including academic support, individual tutoring sessions, group tutoring sessions, and online tutoring, are available to students depending on the availability of tutors for the subject matter requested. All tutoring is provided at no cost to current CBC students who are currently enrolled at CBC. On-demand tutoring services are accessible 24 hours a day, seven days a week through the TutorMe platform, which may be accessed through your Blackboard account. To request a tutor, please complete the online tutor request form found at <http://www.coastalbend.edu/tutoring/> to submit your request. If you have any questions about tutoring programs, you can contact to tutoring@coastalbend.edu.

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(Summer semesters will observe the CBC campus operation hours) For locations and hours of the CBC library in Alice, Kingsville, and Pleasanton sites please visit the library web page link below.

Grady C. Hogue Learning Resource Center (Library): <http://lrc.coastalbend.edu/about>

Financial Aid: Resources are available for students for financial aid, work study, and veteran benefits. For additional information, visit our website at <http://coastalbend.edu/finaid> or contact us at 361-354-2238. Office hours: Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADA Statement: No qualified individual with a disability shall, by reason of such disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs, or activities of the College District, or be subjected to discrimination by the College District. Nor shall the College District exclude or otherwise deny equal services, programs, or activities to an individual because of the known disability of an individual with whom the individual is known to have a relationship or association. 42 U.S.C. 12132; 28 CFR 35.130(g). See at: [GA \(Legal\)](#)

Students with Disabilities: Please notify your instructor of any modification/adaptation you may require to accommodate a disability-related need. You will need to provide documentation to the Director of Accessibility Services so the most appropriate accommodations can be determined. Specialized services are available through the Office of Accessibility Services (OAS) (SSB 4.104, 471-6259). For more information, please email oas@coastalbend.edu.

Scholastic Dishonesty: Each student is charged with notice and knowledge of the contents and provisions of Coastal Bend College's rules and regulations concerning student conduct. All students shall obey the law, show respect for properly constituted authority, and observe correct standards of conduct. Scholastic dishonesty shall constitute a violation of these rules and regulations and is punishable as prescribed by Coastal Bend College Policies FLB (Local) and FM (Local). Scholastic dishonesty shall include, but not be limited to, cheating on a test, plagiarism, and collusion. See at: [FLB \(Local\)](#) and [FM \(Local\)](#).

Use of E-mail for Official Correspondence to Students: All students should be familiar with the college's official email student notification policy. Students are expected to check their CBC email on a frequent and regular basis to stay current with college-related communications, recognizing that certain communications may be time-critical.

Copyright Law and Intellectual Property Rights Policy: Copyright is the right of an author, artist, composer or other creator of a work of authorship to control the use of his or her work by others. Protection extends to literary works, musical works, dramatic works, pantomimes and choreographic works, pictorial and graphic works, sculpture, motion pictures and other audiovisual works, sound recordings and architectural works. Generally speaking, a copyrighted work may not be reproduced by others without the copyright owner's permission. The public display or performance of copyrighted works is similarly restricted. Generally, the unauthorized reproduction, performance or distribution of a copyrighted work is copyright infringement and may subject the infringer to civil and criminal penalties. The Fair Use Doctrine outlines exceptions to this Law and is outlined in Coastal Bend College Policy, [CT \(Legal\)](#).

Coastal Bend College, its faculty, students and employees must comply with Copyright Law. Detailed information on Copyright Law and Intellectual Property Rights is available in Coastal Bend College Policy [CT \(Legal\)](#) and [CT \(Local\)](#).

Questions regarding this information should be directed to the Director of Library Services at: library@coastalbend.edu or the Office of Marketing and Public Relations at: socialmedia@coastalbend.edu.

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NOTE: The College website (<http://coastalbend.edu>) serves as the main source with the most current version of the Coastal Bend College Board Policies and the Coastal Bend College Catalog.

Student success is our number one priority at Coastal Bend College and we realize that prompt, effective communication (such as emails, assignment feedback, discussion boards and announcements) plays a significant role in achieving that goal. It is vitally important that you have the proper contact information for your instructor. This should include their phone number, email address, and if applicable, their office number, and office hours. **Faculty schedules can be located online at <http://coastalbend.edu/hb2504/>**

If you have any problems contacting your instructor, or do not receive a prompt response to your inquiries, please contact the Dean or Division Coordinator/Program Director as soon as possible. Their contact information is provided below:

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We wish you all the best in your education and encourage you to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Keeping student success in sight, faculty in each of the courses will review the course information, including specific reading schedules, assignments, and testing information, with students during the first week of class.

Additionally, the course information will be posted to Blackboard.

This master syllabus is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.