

Medical Assisting

(2.5 Years)

Program Description	Type	Degree
Medical Assisting, A.A.S. (http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/technology/medicalassisting/aas-medical-assisting/)	Degree	A.A.S.
Health Science, B.S. with Concentration in Health Occupations (http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/technology/healthoccupations/bs-hs-health-occ-conc/)	Degree	B.S.
Applied Science, B.A.S. (http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/technology/bachelor-applied-science/bas-applied-science/)	Degree	B.A.S.

Program Minimum Expectations and Objectives

Minimum expectations: To prepare medical assistants who are competent in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains to enter the profession.

Objectives: This program will provide students with the skills and knowledge to:

1. Assist physicians in examining and treating patients by taking and recording vital signs and medical histories, explaining treatment procedures to patients, preparing patients for exams, assisting during exams and other office procedures, collecting blood and other specimens, and performing basic lab procedures.
2. Perform routine tasks to keep offices running smoothly, such as schedule appointments, process insurance claims, perform bookkeeping, and maintain electronic medical records.

Accreditation

The Idaho State University College of Technology Medical Assisting Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Educational Programs (CAAHEP, www.caahep.org (<http://www.caahep.org>)), upon the recommendation of the Curriculum Review Board of the American Association of Medical Assistants Endowment (AAMAE). The program's accreditation status is current until 2024.

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NOTE: Graduates will be eligible to take the national certification exam for the Certified Medical Assistant CMA(AAMA) through the American Association of Medical Assistants. Individuals who have been found guilty of a felony, or pleaded guilty to a felony, are not eligible to take the CMA Exam. However, the Certifying Board may grant a waiver based upon mitigating circumstances.

Program Information

The MA curriculum is sequenced to provide the student with the best possible learning experience. Students who do not complete the proper class sequence each semester will not progress to the next semester. All Medical Assisting courses (i.e., HO, HIT, and MA) must be completed with a "B-" or better. Other required courses, including general education requirements, must be completed

with a "C" or better. Specific information is available in the program's student handbook.

For a Program Information Packet showing descriptions of each option, course descriptions, lists of course sequences, and the cost of books, tools, uniforms, fees, and other expenses, go online to <https://www.isu.edu/medicalassisting/program-handbook--forms/>.

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MA Courses (<http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/allcourses/ma/>)