

Am I Ready for Online Learning?

An online class is a student-centered learning experience where students must assume an active role in their learning. (Please review the “About Online Learning – FAQ” section prior to taking the quiz). Computer and internet access, computer technology skills, self-direction, time management, and online communication skills are very important.

“Am I Ready for Online Learning?” Quiz

Respond **yes** or **no** to the following items.

1. Do you have access to a full-screen computer with uninterrupted Internet and multimedia capability (audio and video) several times a week? **Yes** **No**
2. Do you have experience with computer technology? **Yes** **No**
3. Are you able to navigate the Internet and a variety of search engines? **Yes** **No**
4. Are you able to download and attach files? **Yes** **No**
5. Can you use e-mail, Web browsers, and word processing software? **Yes** **No**

A. Technical Access and Abilities Score: _____

If you answered “yes” to all of the above, you appear technically ready for online learning. Good study habits and time management are also important. Proceed to answer the following questions to assess your study habits for online learning.

Respond **yes** or **no** to the following items.

1. Do you have good time management skills? **Yes** **No**
2. Are you able to set goals for yourself and meet deadlines? **Yes** **No**
3. Are you organized? **Yes** **No**
4. Can you work independently? **Yes** **No**
5. Can you participate in online course discussion and other course requirements several days during the week throughout the semester? (Typically online and face-to-face courses recommend at least 9 hours combined preparation and participation/3 credit course). **Yes** **No**

B. Study Skills and Time Management Score: _____

If you answered “yes” to all of the above, you appear to have good study habits and time management for success in online learning.

If you answered “yes” to 3 or 4 questions, you appear to have basic study habits and time management but could sharpen them for successful online learning.

If you answered “yes” to less than 3 questions, you appear to have less than the basic study habits and time management skills for successful online learning.

Respond **yes** or **no** to the following items.

1. Would you be able to analyze class material and give an opinion using an online discussion forum?

Yes **No**

2. Are you able to express yourself well in writing? **Yes** **No**

3. Do you feel you need the dynamic of a face to face setting to be motivated and engage in analytical and reflective discussion? **Yes** **No**

4. Have you participated in threaded, asynchronous discussions? **Yes** **No**

5. Are you comfortable with communicating in an online environment? **Yes** **No**

C. Communication Skills Score: _____

If you answered “yes” to questions 1, 2, 4, and 5, you appear to have good communication skills for success in online learning.

If you answered “yes” to all but one of questions 1, 2, 4, or 5, you appear to have basic study habits and time management but could sharpen them for successful online learning.

If you answered “yes” to question 3, it appears that online learning may not be right for you.

Overall, Am I Ready for Online Learning?

Combined Score: _____

If your scores for each category (A, B, C) indicated “good”, you appear ready to be successful in online learning.

If your scores for some categories (A, B, C) indicated “good” and some indicated “basic”, you appear to have a few areas that need sharpening to be successful in online learning.

If your scores for each category (A, B, C) indicated “basic”, you appear to have several areas that need sharpening to be successful in online learning.

If your scores for any or all categories (A, B, C) indicated “less than the basic”, you appear to have many areas that need sharpening to be successful in online learning.

If you are a current student and would like more advice and/or assistance on improving your readiness for being successful in online learning, please check the CSI blackboard site for available resources and workshops. For academic advisement about online or other format nursing courses, please contact a nursing advisor at 718-982-3810.