

NORTHWOOD TECHNICAL COLLEGE  
HEALTH SCIENCES  
STUDENT POLICIES

## COMPUTER INFORMATION

As a Health Sciences student at Northwood Tech, you are required to have 24-hour, reliable Internet access.

If you are unable to purchase or lease, you may make use of the resources on campus, but know that you will be faced with accessing the equipment to work on your assignments on a first-come, first-served basis.

All courses require a Blackboard Ultra component. Blackboard Ultra is the college learning platform. Blackboard Ultra provides a way to communicate to complete course assignments. Blackboard Ultra also houses documents (PowerPoint, Word, and PDF files) required for coursework. Some courses may have video streaming located within Blackboard Ultra. Online quizzes through Blackboard Ultra are also common. We have many activities that will involve email assignments, discussion board critical thinking exercises, and Internet searches for coursework. We believe computer skills are as essential to your success as the program skills you will acquire at Northwood Tech.

Specific requirements include:

- Microsoft Office 365: See the Northwood Tech iTLC Technology web page for installation info and instructions <https://itlc.northwoodtech.edu/itlc/technology>
- Working knowledge of computer skills, internet applications, and the ability to send and retrieve attachments.
- Each Health Sciences program will provide specific technology requirements to students prior to the start of the program.
- Computer required (Health Information Technology & Medical Coding Specialist)

There will be several learning activities that require specific internet browsers. Microsoft Edge and Google Chrome browsers are both required for program courses. As such, it is strongly suggested that you use a PC/Windows laptop, rather than a Mac/iOS.

Northwood Tech's computer hardware and software specifications can be found on the Northwood Tech [Technology Recommendations web page](#).