

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

Specifics requirements include:

- Microsoft Office 365 is provided through a download on the Office365 Portal Page.
- Working knowledge of computer skills, internet applications, and 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. Internet Explorer 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 [website](#).