

Are you ready to learn online?

This survey will allow you to assess your own confidence level with many of the technology and learning skills you will need to succeed in online coursework.

Basic Operating System

Are you able to start and turn off a computer?

Are you able to double click on a desired target with your mouse?

Are you able to create, save, backup, organize and delete files?

Are you able to create a folder and move files into it?

Are you able to rename a file?

Are you able to open an existing document?

Are you able to install software on your computer if you need to?

Internet Skills & Access

Are you able to regularly access the Internet to check email or go to websites?

If you do not own a computer with Internet access, will you be able to gain access to a computer with Internet access multiple times each week?

Do you have an email address?

Are you able to send and receive an email?

Are you able to attach a file to an email message?

Are you able to “copy” or “paste” text from word processing software to and email message?

Do you know how to receive a file attachment and open it from an email message?

Are you able to navigate to different Web sites?

Learning Style

Can you prioritize your own workload?

Do you enjoy learning new computer or technology skills?

Are you able to stay on task without direct supervision?

Do you learn best from reading text and assignments?

How to Assess your Answers

If you answered “no” to any of the above questions, you may want to reconsider enrolling in an online course or program. All of the skills mentioned above are used as part of the online environment. Students who enroll in online courses or programs are expected to know these skills.