



Making a Decision

Deciding if online learning is the right learning choice is very important. Research indicates there are some characteristics that contribute significantly to a student's ability to be successful in online learning programs.

Successful Online Students

GOOD TIME MANAGEMENT

Can create and maintain a study schedule throughout the semester without face-to-face interaction with a teacher.

INDEPENDENT STUDY HABITS

Can study and complete assignments without direct supervision and maintain self-discipline to stick to a schedule.

ACADEMIC READINESS

Have the basic reading, writing, mathematics and computer literacy skills to succeed.

While these are helpful for success, the most critical factor is a supportive family and school.

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

Can ask for help, make contact with other students and the instructor online, and describe problems they have with learning materials using email, texting and/or telephone.

SELF-MOTIVATION

Have a strong desire to learn skills, acquire knowledge and fulfill assignments in online courses because of an educational goal.

TECHNOLOGICALLY PREPARED

Are able to use online technology to assist with learning and identify various file formats, including .doc, .xls, .pdf, .jpg.

