

Pre-Internship Needs Assessment Checklist

If you answer “no” to any of these you must learn to do before you begin the internship

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No.	Competency	Yes	No
1.	I can recognize the basic components of a computer system including keyboard, computer monitor, computer screen, various printers, and various computer ports (camera, USB, Ethernet).		
2.	I am able to use computer operating systems including copying documents, deleting documents, and changing directories.		
3.	I can back up a computer document on: _____ internal computer hard drive _____ external hard drive _____ thumb drive _____ offsite cloud (includes Google docs, Dropbox, &/or Zoho)		
4.	I can create email, send email, respond to email and add attachments to my emails.		
5.	I can download or save attachments from an email.		
6.	I can scan a document with a scanner and can send these scanned documents to others over the Internet.		
7.	I can save a document in different file formats such as PDF, plain text and/or as an html/web page.		
8.	I can use telecommunicating devices including (a variety of) answering machines and voice mail.		
9.	I have used at least one form of social media (twitter, Facebook, blogs, LinkedIn) for professional (non-personal) self-marketing.		
10.	I can use technology (computers, smart phones, etc.) to communicate to teachers, family and others via email, Skype, computer Face time, etc.		
11.	I am able to conduct an online literature search using PubMed or other university-based library scientific search engine on a topic that has been assigned by one of my teachers.		
12.	I am able to access and locate information at the Academy’s Evidence Analysis Library at least as an Academy student member level.		
13.	I am able to use the Internet to find data/information, e.g. I can access the Academy’s website to look at data in the student section of the website.		
14.	I am able to access the Academy’s online Nutrition Care Manual if I have access to look up different diet therapies for different diseases.		
15.	I am able to use a search engine (such as Google) to find information on the Internet such as the top Nutrition Blogs.		
16.	I can create, save and print word processor documents in Microsoft Word, WordPerfect, Microsoft Works, Apple pages, ZohoWriter, etc.		

17.	I can and do use:		
	_____ Spell check (in documents and email)		
	_____ Literacy level check on documents when requested by instructors		
	_____ Grammar check		
	_____ Character length/count with and without spaces		
	_____ Word length/ word count		
18.	I can use an online calendar that includes project and task lists.		
19.	I am able to schedule meetings and appointments for more than one person using a computer. e.g. I can schedule a meeting of three friends who live in different towns using technology.		
20.	I have attended an online webinar and was able to participate via listening and chat function.		
21.	I know how to mute/unmute my connection during an online webinar or conference call.		
22.	I am able to download a podcast or other multi-media file such as a YouTube video.		
23.	I am able to use basic software applications for either Windows or MAC OS Systems including software analysis software.		
24.	I am able to create an ongoing spreadsheet to track materials and/or to track expenses over time.		
25.	I am able to use multi-media/presentation software such as PowerPoint, Keynote, and/or Prezi.		
26.	I am proficient in word processing with use of fonts, type size, imbedding hyperlinks, and adding photos to documents.		
27.	I am able to download and install software or via a disc. I am able to install necessary add-ons and keep my software up to date. I understand licensing agreements.		
28.	I am proficient and able to use database software such as Microsoft Access, FoxPro, FileMaker Pro, &/or Lotus Approach.		
29.	I am able to use networks to navigate systems such as accessing my home email from various sites away from my home and/or via VPN: Virtual Private Networks that allow me to access my computer files from a remote site.		
30.	I am able to complete basic trouble-shooting of my computer including re-booting the computer, loading paper, changing cartridges/toner, remove paper jams in printers.		
31.	I am able to monitor computer for basic hardware and software problems including virus, spam and "cookies".		