

## **Requirements to take online courses.**

### **What is an online course?**

An online course is the name given to educational systems that make use of Internet technology. To make use of this modality it is necessary for the student to have a computer with Internet access, computer skills and management of resources through the Internet.

The online course modality has the advantage of allowing the student to take the course from the comfort of his or her home without the need to comply with a fixed schedule.

To access their courses, students must log on to the web page <http://interbb.blackboard.com> and register with their student number and assigned password. Once logged in to the system, the student can consult the classes available to him/her, his/her progress and the results of the evaluations he/she has submitted. In addition, students can use text content, lectures, assignments, discussion forums, chat rooms and other multimedia technologies. Most courses require the use of a textbook and other supplementary course materials, which can be purchased online.

### **Courses requiring face-to-face activities.**

Level 3 and 4 nursing courses require the student to perform laboratories, which are required by the courses, these will be carried out in real scenarios, for example: visits to Hospitals or laboratories of the Institution.

### **Academic Integrity**

The Guayama Campus promotes academic honesty. As an online student, we encourage you to use the SafeAssign program, a tool provided by the Blackboard platform that allows you to evaluate your assignments to identify possible plagiarism. This will ensure compliance with copyright and intellectual property law. If you do not comply with this law, you will be sanctioned according to what is established in the General Student Regulations, Chapter V.

### **What do I need to access my online course?**

The online courses of the Campus are designed through the Blackboard platform, which is a system that allows teaching through the Internet. In order to achieve the highest level of learning it is necessary for the student to have their own computer and possess some minimum requirements. These are:

- Fast Internet connections
- If possible, we recommend a DSL or Cable connection.
- Internet Browser Mozilla Fire Fox or Google Chrome
- Web Cam or Headset
- Adobe Acrobat Reader (latest update)
- Microsoft Office Programs
- Pop-Up Blocker disabled
- Cookies enabled

Note: Guayama Campus students have access to Microsoft® Office Web APPs through their official e-mail. In addition, they can download Microsoft Office software from their email and install it on their computer.

Among other programs requested by the professor of the online course.

Important: For students who are outside of Puerto Rico, it is required that they download and install the Respondus Lockdown Browser and RP Now System, which will facilitate access to their exams from the comfort of their home. In order to use this system, a video camera (Web Cam) and microphone are required, which will record the session and will allow you to take your exams under the security of your own home.



Adobe Acrobat Reader



Google Chrome



Firefox



Safari

