

Information Technology Systems: Program at a Glance



Get CompTIA certified.



Program Description

Information Technology prepares students to enter the rapidly advancing field of advanced computing technologies. The coursework provides the foundational knowledge and skills necessary to complete CompTIA (Computing Technology Industry Association) Certifications in Computer Technology A+, Networking Technology N+ , Security S+, and much more!

Information Technology Program Contacts:

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To learn more about the program, take a tour and receive general information, please contact or come see Dalisa Portley: Monday-Friday from 8-5. For enrollment or Advising, please contact Molly Stahl during these hours. (Please note: August and January are walk-in, only due to high traffic.)

Entry Requirements:

-Be 16 years of age or older.

	Location	8am-11am	11am-1pm	1pm-5pm
Monday	Grove	Walk-in	Appt. Preferred	Appt. Preferred
Tuesday	Grove	Appt. Preferred	Appt. Preferred	Appt. Preferred
Wednesday	Grove	Appt. Preferred	Appt. Preferred	Walk-In
Thursday	Grove	Appt. Preferred	Appt. Preferred	Appt. Preferred
Friday	Grove	Walk-in	Appt. Preferred	Appt. Preferred

Type of Degree/Certificate COC – Certificate of Completion	Day/ Evening	Length <i>Based on Average Rate of Completion</i>	Hours**	*Cost <i>Tuition Only</i>	Financial Aid Eligible
Technical Certificate – IT Essentials	Day or Evening	1 year + 2 months (Evening) 1 semester (Daytime)	2 days/week: 6:00-8:35 PM (Evening) 5 days/week: 8-11 OR 12-3 (Daytime, M-F)	\$3,362.00	Yes
Technical Certificate-Information Technology Systems	Day or Evening	18 months (Evening) 2 Semesters (Daytime)	8-11 AM, 12-3 PM or 6:00-8:35 PM .	\$6,935.00	Yes
Associate of Applied Science-Information Technology Systems	Day or Evening	Approx. 2 Years (Daytime) Approx. 3+ years (Evening)	Core Classes:8-11 AM, 12-3 PM or 6:00-8:35 PM Gen Ed: Varies	\$9200.00	Yes

*Costs are approximate and subject to change. Costs include tuition and student fees (books and digital device not included in amount).

**Class schedules and availability are subject to change. For the latest information, please visit: <http://watc.edu/gen-ed/it-essentials-coc/>



This program is accredited by HLC and Kansas Board of Regents.
More information at: <http://watc.edu/get-started/>



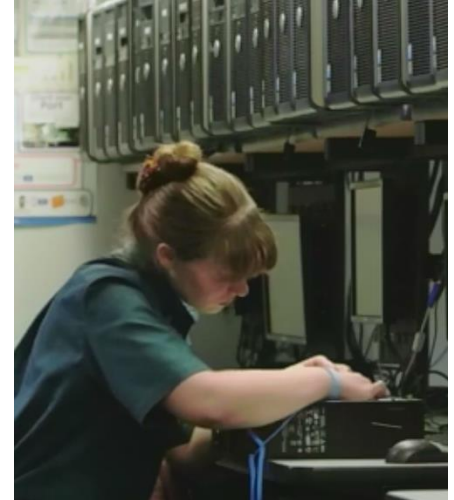
Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What wage can an IT / Computer Support Specialist expect?

- A. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (2015); National Median Wage was \$51,470 per year and \$24.75 per hour. State of Kansas Mean wages for individuals in this field are approximately \$46,165 annually or \$22.19 hourly.

Q. When can I start the Information Technology Program?

- A. The Information Technology program offers starting points in the fall and spring semesters. We do offer a few non-pre-requisite classes in the summer, but those are not official program start classes. The program has official beginnings in August and January.



Q. Can I complete all the “IT Essentials Technical Certificate” classes in one semester?

- A. Yes, schedule permitting, as long as you are attending the program as a day-time/full-time student. If you are planning to do the “Information Technology Systems Technical Certificate” instead of IT Essentials, it will take longer. Please also note the phrase “schedule permitting.” Some semesters do not offer that opportunity. It varies. See advisor for details.

Q. Will I be able to receive financial aid assistance for the technical certificates and degree?

- A. Yes. The IT program is currently eligible for Financial Aid. Students will have to go through the necessary steps of applying to see if they qualify and how much they individually are eligible for.

Q. Is WATC’s IT Technical Certificate be the same as the CompTIA certifications?

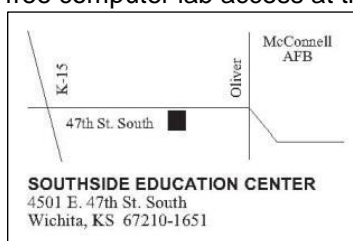
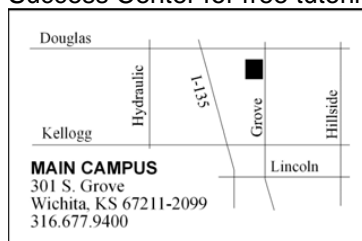
- A. No, it is not the same. WATC’s IT Technical Certificate courses are essentially test-prep classes that prepare you for the industry-recognized CompTIA certifications.

Q. Will I receive a computer with the program?

- A. Yes, the A+ Certification courses will teach you how to take apart and rebuild a computer. The fees for this course include the cost of a computer kit and a tool kit that will be yours to keep when you have finished the class. You will also receive a voucher to take CompTIA certification exam at any Pearson Vue testing center in Wichita.

Q. Where will my classes be held?

- A. Your IT courses will be held at the Grove campus at 301 S. Grove. Your Admissions Counselor and Academic Advisor are both at the Grove location as well. You will also have access to the Academic Success Center for free tutoring and free computer lab access at that campus.



Questions for our Instructors?

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