ACADEMIC COMPUTING

Oakton uses an extensive array of computer hardware and software to enhance teaching in transfer and career courses. Computers are used as learning tools in a variety of classes to help students understand and visualize concepts and to simulate real-life situations.

Courses and seminars which teach introductory, advanced, and applied computer skills are available at both the Des Plaines and Skokie campuses and at many locations within the district. From brief overviews to in-depth studies, Oakton offers a range of learning options, including credit courses and degree programs, noncredit seminars, workshops, and classes.

Oakton provides a technology-rich environment for instructional programs. The college has over 1,100 academic computers located in a variety of computer labs at both campuses. These include special purposes labs for unique programs such as Nursing or Graphic Design, as well as general purpose labs which support multiple disciplines.

The computers include Windows machines and some Macintosh systems. All credit students are provided with a network account that includes access to applications, a network storage space accessible both on and off campus, an email address, and a place to publish documents on the web. Oakton is connected to the Internet with a high-speed connection that provides access to countless resources throughout the world.

Refer to Information Technology Department for more information.