Support for Online Students

The BIPS program is offered fully online. That means there are no designated class times, although you will have due dates for assignments, just like you would in a face-to-face course. The online format offers some important benefits:

1. **The BIPS team is dedicated to your success.**

   The BIPS program is serious about your success. That’s why you’ll work with a dedicated advisor to develop a clear, customized path to graduation.

2. **UNCG supports online students.**

   We foster a supportive online environment that extends beyond the classroom. This includes services that enhance the learning experience, such as the library, the Learning Assistance Center, and IT Services.

3. **Technology is your friend.**

   If this is your first online course, you may have questions about the technology involved. UNCG’s Ready to Learn site spells out technical requirements with detailed explanations and videos. Visit [readytolearn.uncg.edu](http://readytolearn.uncg.edu) and click on the Technology tab to get started.

4. **Engaging online courses pay off.**

   Research from the US Department of Education and academic sources shows that online students perform as well or better than those in face-to-face courses. BIPS employs teaching strategies that include video, audio, graphics, interactive activities, case studies, and feedback. BIPS courses are designed to make learning engaging and convenient.

5. **Online learning is flexible and convenient.**

   Class is as close as an Internet connection, whether you are at home, at work, or on the road. If you have access to the Internet, you have access to your course. But remember, online learning requires organization and self-discipline. You may have to fit study around work and family. You have to set your own schedule and make sure you get assignments in on time.