WHAT IS A VIRTUAL CLASS?

A virtual class is a course that would have been face-to-face at an Ivy Tech location, but has been moved to virtual delivery in order to provide a learning environment that is safe as well as flexible for students. The schedule of your virtual class may include real time and recorded activities. This schedule will be arranged by your instructor. You will complete activities in the class using tools like IvyLearn and Zoom. IvyLearn being used for due dates and assignment submissions and Zoom for many of the things you would have done face-to-face in the classroom. These face-to-face experiences, in length and location, will vary from course to course, but it is our commitment to offer you the full educational experiences necessary for you to prepare for future success. A few courses may require you to return to campus (when safe and advisable) to complete objectives that can’t be accomplished virtually. Virtual courses do not carry additional distance technology fees like online courses do.

WHAT IS AN ONLINE CLASS?

If you enroll in an online class, you will experience the same course that you would experience in that online course during any semester. Online classes allow you, the student, to work on your own time each week to complete learning activities and assignments by their due dates. Assignments in online classes, as in all classes, have due dates and you will be responsible for managing your time to get those assignments completed. Most of the communication and interaction between you, your instructor, and your fellow classmates will happen via email and discussion boards - although instructors and students have easy access to tools that also allow them to add photos and videos to their work. In most situations you will not be asked to log in at any specific time or day. Online classes work best for self-motivated, goal oriented students who are good time-managers. Online courses carry associated distance technology fees.

* Majority of classes will NOT have an on campus component, but some may require in-person coursework/labs. Varies by class. Information provided by instructors.