

COMPUTER INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (AAS)

Associate of Applied Science

Career-Technical Program

Interest Areas:

Business Admin. and Management

The Computer Information Technology (CITE) program prepares students for careers in information technology by offering a one-year intermediate technical certificate, a two-year advanced technical certificate, and an associate of applied science degree. The A.A.S. degree in CITE is a two-year program that will prepare students for working with sophisticated networking hardware and operating system software and will lead to industry recognized certifications. It also includes all related coursework to complete A.A.S. degree requirements.

The CITE one-year intermediate technical certificate teaches the foundation of information technology job skills and the two-year advanced technical certificate includes all the technical coursework of the A.A.S. degree, but with reduced general education requirements.

The CITE program is designed to provide students with essential skills to plan, implement, administer, support, and secure networked computer systems and associated users, as well as install and configure routers and switches in multiprotocol internetworks using LAN and WAN interfaces. North Idaho College operates a Cisco Networking Academy. NIC is a Microsoft IT Academy member institution and maintains academic partnerships with industry leaders such as CompTIA and VMware.

Continued advances in network technology have created an increased need for professionals trained in the information technology field. Students will gain essential technical instruction that enables them to perform tasks such as network design, installation, maintenance, and management as well as fill network administration and systems administration job roles.

This is a limited enrollment program. Successful completion of the each semester or permission of the instructor is required to continue to the next semester. Successful completion of the technical certificate or permission of the instructor is required for enrollment in third and fourth semester courses.

Contact the Career-Technical Programs advisor for the information on selective enrollment criteria.

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Program Website (<https://www.nic.edu/programs/computer-information-technology/>)

Program Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Semester 1		
CITE-116	Desktop Operating System Support	3
CITE-118	Computer Information Technology Essentials	2
CITE-119	Computer Information Technology Essentials Projects	2
CITE-127	Desktop Commodity Operating System Support Projects	2
GEM 3 - A.A.S. Mathematical Ways of Knowing		3-5
ENGL-101	Writing and Rhetoric I	3
Credits		15-17
Semester 2		
CITE-104	Systems Administration I	3
CITE-105	Systems Administration I Projects	3
CITE-121	Network Support I	3
CITE-122	Network Support I Projects	3
COMM-101	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3
Credits		15
Semester 3		
CITE-206	Systems Administration II	3
CITE-207	Systems Administration II Projects	3
CITE-213	Network Support II	3
CITE-215	Network Support II Projects	3
GEM 6 - A.A.S. Social and Behavioral Ways of Knowing		3
Credits		15
Semester 4		
CITE-208	Systems Administration III	3
CITE-209	Systems Administration III Projects	3
CITE-217	Network Support III	3
CITE-219	Network Support III Projects	3
CITE-295 or ATEC-117 or CITE-289	Computer Information Technology Internship or Occupational Relations and Job Search or Cyber Competitions	2-4
A.A.S. Institutionally Designated		3
Credits		17-19
Total Credits		62-66

Course Key



GEM



AAS
Institutionally
Designated



Gateway



Milestone

Program Outcomes

Upon completion of the program, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate appropriate work relationships and habits, communication skills, and computation skills used in entry-level computer information technology positions.
2. Work with sophisticated networking hardware and operating system software, leading to industry-recognized certifications.
3. Use essential skills to plan, implement, administer, support, and secure network computer systems and associated users.
4. Install and configure routers and switches in multiprotocol internetworks using LAN and WAN interfaces.
5. Complete network design, installation, maintenance, and management as well as fill network administration and systems administration job duties.

In addition to the program outcomes, students will meet the following North Idaho College General Education (GEM) Requirements: Written and Oral Communication; Mathematical Ways of Knowing; Social and Behavioral Ways of Knowing; and an additional program-designated or selected course from any of the GEM requirements.