

Tips to Survive a NURSE Practitioner Program



MAKE FRIENDS AND NETWORK WITH OTHER STUDENTS RIGHT FROM THE BEGINNING.

Whether you're in an online or on campus program, engage your fellow classmates because you're going to need them.



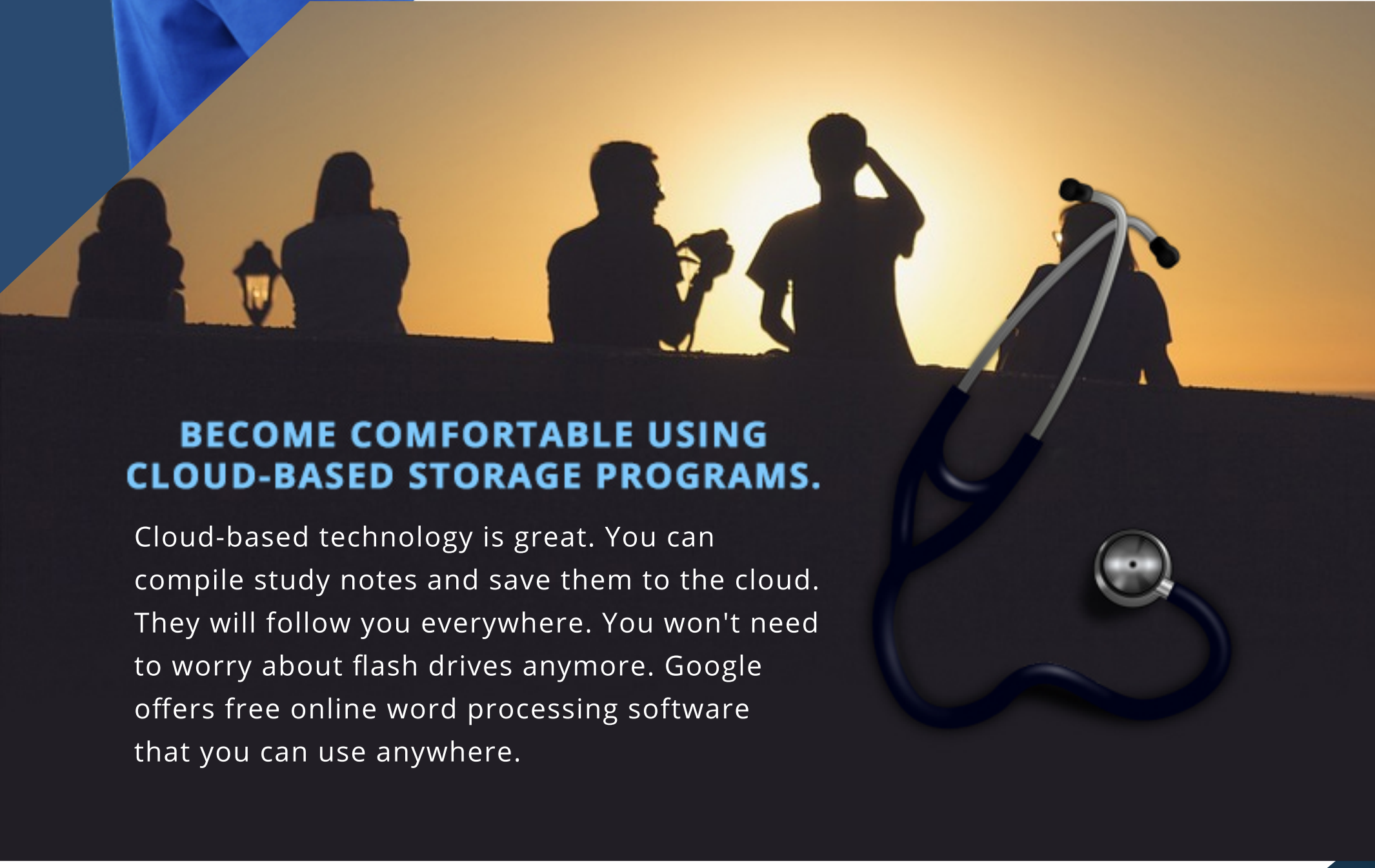
INVEST IN CALENDARS

It doesn't matter what kind they are — online calendars, mobile calendars, free calendars from church, or printable calendars with unicorns on them — save them all, because you're going to need them. You will find that the more ways you can list and schedule your time the better off you'll be. Do not trust your memory for a second, it will betray you.



BECOME COMFORTABLE USING CLOUD-BASED STORAGE PROGRAMS.

Cloud-based technology is great. You can compile study notes and save them to the cloud. They will follow you everywhere. You won't need to worry about flash drives anymore. Google offers free online word processing software that you can use anywhere.



BUDGET YOUR TIME.

No matter what type of NP program you're enrolled in, you are going to sacrifice time with your family. All of your time will be devoted to school. It sucks, you will hate it, but you will get through it.



GET YOUR CLINICAL ROTATION HOURS IN EARLY.

When it comes time to start your clinical rotations, try to get your hours in earlier rather than later. You never know when something is going to come up that will take time away from clinicals.



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