1. **Set your own pace**
   Many students wish their professor had a rewind button. Some, a fast-forward button. In online classes, you don’t have to wait for the rest of the class to catch up before progressing, and depending on your pace, studies have shown that online classes can require half the time as on-site learning.

2. **Develop your own learning style**
   Studying online can have the advantage of feeling like one-on-one learning without the distraction of other students. You may like working in isolation but don’t forget to participate in class discussions and community groups through social media. Interacting with your professor and other students will give you valuable insight to the topic you are studying.

3. **Learn advanced technology**
   Online courses make use of programs designed to deliver content digitally, and can be accessed through tablets and smartphones. Employers also prefer employees that have a deeper knowledge of technology; not to mention, most employers use online training themselves, so being familiar with it is a plus.

4. **Customize your personal space**
   Some students often find it easier to have classroom interaction online—in the comfort of your own home or wherever life takes you. The number one thing to consider about your personal workspace is distractions. Consider putting your phone on another side of the room, closing irrelevant tabs in your web browser, and completely avoiding social media during your designated study and class times. Having a designated workspace will help you stay on task. Decorate your space with inspirational quotes, photos, and bright, fun items to keep your area positive and motivational.

5. **Seek Help**
   Your success at Lone Star College is important to us. LSC-Online advisors are available to assist students with advising services related to courses offered in an online format. Some of these services include general advising, registration, the add/drop/withdrawal process, and degree planning.

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