

Online Art Education Computer Requirements Fall 2014

The Department of Art is a Mac computer department. Standardizing our student's computers allows EIU to give consistent technical support and for our students to have a problem free experience. We require that you have a current fully capable computer with the appropriate software and applications specified.

Our bookstore keeps MacBook computers in stock for our students. We list the MacBook as a requirement of our art education programs to allow you to bundle the cost of the computer into your financial aid. The bookstore buys in bulk and students will receive a discount on the total cost of the computer. Your computer will be shipped to you. The EIU Bookstore web-link is www.eiubookstore.com . For purchasing questions contact Mitch Coe at the EIU Bookstore. His email is mhcoe@eiu.edu

The following requirements are specified as a part of our goals for a problem free experience:

	MacBook or Desktop Mac	PC
Operating System	Mac OS X 10.7 or better	Windows 7 or better
Processor	2.6 GHz dual-core Intel Core i7	2.6 GHz dual-core Intel Core i7
Memory	8GB memory or more	8GB memory or more
Hard Drive Space	256 GB or greater fusion drive or SSD	256 GB or greater fusion drive or SSD
Browser	Google Chrome	Google Chrome
Plug-ins	Java, Adobe Flash Player, QuickTime or Flip4Mac, iMovie	Java, Adobe Flash Player, Windows Media Components, QuickTime or (Live) Moviemaker
Additional Software	Photoshop CS6, Adobe InDesign CS6 (Creative Cloud subscription highly suggested) Adobe Reader latest version.	Photoshop CS6, Adobe InDesignCS6 (Creative Cloud subscription highly suggested) Adobe Reader latest version.
Broadband Internet Connection	Broadband connection, DSL, cable, FiOS or a similar service	Broadband connection, DSL, cable, FiOS or a similar service
An Internet Cable to	CAT 6 or 5E Internet Cable	CAT 6 or 5E Internet

connect to your wireless router. This will prevent you from being dropped from Elluminate sessions and your speed will be faster.		Cable
Word Processing Software	Microsoft Office 14.3 or iWork or Microsoft University 365	Microsoft Office 14.3 or Microsoft University 365
External Hard Drive for backup		
Printer	Optional - Access to good quality printer	Optional - Access to good quality printer
DVD-ROM	Optional	Optional
Sound Card, Microphone, and Speakers	Required	Required
Monitor	Capable of at least 1024x768 resolution	Capable of at least 1024x768 resolution
Virus Protection	Required, Sophos or Avast recommended	Required
Head set with microphone	Any brand, spend about 20.00 - 30.00 (minimum) for a quality set	Any brand, spend about 20.00 - 30.00 (minimum) for a quality set
A digital camera with still image and video capability		

Note: Cookies, Java, and Java Script must be the most current version and enabled. Pop-up blockers should be configured to permit new windows from EIU websites.

Recommended:

Apple Care
iPad

For technical support contact (217) 581-4357