

Recommended Computer Requirements - Students

If you're planning to purchase a personal computer, these are the minimum requirements recommended by IT Services for optimal performance and to meet the needs of your courses.?

Please note: Your program may have specific requirements (eg. Business) so please ensure there are no specific recommendations for your course or program beyond what is listed below.?

Related Articles:

- [Using the Activities Block \(Moodle\)](#)
- [Changing My Moodle Password](#)
- [Updating "My Profile" \(Moodle\)](#)
- [Dashboard, My Courses and Home \(Moodle\)](#)
- [Student Information \(Moodle\)](#)
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- [Navigating the Moodle Site\(s\)](#)
- [Course Topic Displays \(Moodle\)](#)
- [Student Resources - Moodle](#)
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- [Purchasing a Computer For Your Studies](#)
- [Moodle Links By Program](#)
- [Papercut Student Printing](#)
- [Private Browser Windows](#)
- [Accessing Public WiFi](#)

Microsoft Windows Device				
Processor			Memory (More is better)	Storage (More is better)
GOOD - Recommended for general purpose				
Intel	Core i3?	2-4 cores	4 GB	? 60 GB
AMD	Ryzen 3	2-4 cores	4 GB	? 60 GB
BETTER - Recommended for power users				
Intel	Core i5	4+ cores	? 8 GB	? 120 GB
AMD?	Ryzen 5	4+ cores	? 8 GB	? 120 GB
BEST - Recommended for SEG				
Intel	Core i7	6+ cores	? 16 GB	? 250 GB
AMD?	Ryzen 7	6+ cores	? 16 GB	? 250 GB

Apple MacOS device			
Processor		Memory (More is better)	Storage (More is better)
GOOD - Recommended for general purpose			
Macbook Air	Dual-core i3	8 GB	? 250 GB
BETTER - Recommended for power users			
Macbook pro 13"	Quad-core i5	? 8 GB	? 250 GB
BEST - Recommended for high performance users			
Macbook pro 16"	Hexa-core i7	? 16 GB	? 500 GB

Apple MacOS device

OS X 10.11 (El Capitan), OS X 10.12 (Sierra) and OS X 10.13 (High Sierra). Only genuine versions of Mac Operating Systems are supported. The server version of MacOS is not supported.

Microsoft Windows device

Operating System: 32-bit and 64-bit versions of Windows 10. Alternate versions of Windows 10, such as Windows RT, and Windows 10 S are NOT supported.

Recommendations:

- Choose an SSD (Solid State Device) for faster storage
- For specialized programs including SEG, DANM and Music use better or best device configurations
- Tablet computers are consumption devices. As a student you will be creating content and not just consuming it; tablet computers without keyboards (iPads, Android devices) are not suitable for this purpose.

*GB - Gigabytes

The above minimum requirements will allow you to remotely access and run Selkirk College provided software applications.

[Windows 10 Education](#) is available to students for free?on compatible devices.