

Basic Computer Requirements

Students are responsible for checking device compatibility prior to starting classes. Your Department Program Pages or the Course Catalog are good resources to consult prior to making a purchase as some programs have requirements beyond the general recommendations below.

- [Academic Program Pages](#)
- [SCC Course Catalog](#)

Hardware:

- **Display:** Minimum 11" screen, 13" or larger recommended. Some applications will not run correctly on 9" sized "Netbook" computers.
- **Operating System:** Windows 11 capable Windows PC. Windows 10 will no longer be supported after Oct, 2025.
- **Please note:** Macbooks will NOT run MS Access and may have limited function on other MS Applications. Most required Academic Program software cannot be installed on Macbooks.
- **CPU:** Intel Core i5 or better (or equivalent AMD CPU) Note: Intel Processors of 8th Generation or higher are required for Windows 11 compatibility. Click below for more information on qualifying Intel and AMD Processors:

- [Supported Intel Processors](#)
- [Supported AMD Processors](#)

- **Memory:** 4GB RAM minimum, 8GB RAM or more is recommended
- **Hard Drive:** 128 GB Minimum, Solid State Hard Drive recommended
- WiFi Adapter

Additional Hardware Information:

We do NOT recommend attempting to use an iPad, Chromebook, tablet, or mobile device as your only method of completing an online course.

Computers running Windows 10 or 11 in S Mode will NOT work. [Switch out of S Mode Guide](#)

Network Connectivity:

A stable internet connection is required for attending Web classes or accessing online course content

A cellular or mobile hotspot may NOT be enough to fulfill this requirement and may cause issues with video playback.

Software:

Must have at least one of the following web browsers: Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, Microsoft Edge or Safari (on Apple devices)

[Canvas information on recommended browsers.](#)