

Laptop Requirement

Departments of Art & Design and Digital Media & Photography

Laptop Program

In keeping with our mission of educational excellence and service to students, we are requiring all incoming students to own a custom-configured, fully supported Apple Macintosh laptop that will be used in our classrooms. In addition, students will use these computers—networked through College-wide wireless access—to conduct research, carry out assignments, enter class discussion groups and communicate with both teachers and administrators. We are confident this will help prepare students for a future increasingly defined by digital technology and team-based work spaces and that equipping each student with the tools and the freedom to work in flexible environments outside of the classroom will stimulate productivity and creativity. Students also have access to support labs offering high-end peripherals for scanning and printing.

What is the preferred system requirement?

The preferred laptop is the MacBook Pro which uses the Intel Core 2 Duo processor, the fastest processor available for a Macintosh laptop. It comes with a high-end graphics card, either a 15 or 17 inch screen, multiple input options, and great expansion.

What is the minimal system requirement?

Apple's line of MacBook systems will minimally meet your needs. These systems, like the MacBook Pro laptops, use the Intel Core 2 Duo processor but are limited to a 13inch screen, a cheaper graphics card, fewer input options and minimal expansion.

Where do I buy the laptop?

Andrews University has set-up a customized online Apple Store with pre-configured systems which meet our program minimum system requirements. Apple has offered a \$100 coupon off the MacBook Pro and a \$50 coupon off the MacBook. The discounted price is only available through: www.andrews.edu/apple

Financing your Computer

Because the laptop is a program requirement you can apply for financial aid to help cover the expense. Please work with your Andrews financial aid advisor to determine

Insurance Coverage

Students should check their parents homeowners policy, or their renters insurance to determine coverage and deductibles. It is strongly recommended to cover the computer and software by adding a rider to an existing policy (if necessary). Most accidental or physical damage will not be covered standard manufacturer's warranty.

MacBook Pro (15.4" Screen/Intel/SuperDrive) — \$2038.00

- 2.2GHz Intel Core 2 Duo processor
- 2GB RAM (2 – 667 DDR2 SO-DIMMs)
- 120GB Serial ATA hard drive
- 8x double layer SuperDrive (DVD±RW/CD-RW)
- AirPort Extreme (802.11n) Wireless Card & Bluetooth
- NVIDIA GeForce 8600M GT 128MB RAM
- 15.4-inch wide active matrix display with 1440x960 resolution
- 10/100/1000 (Gigabit) Ethernet port
- Apple DVI monitor port (with included DVI to SVGA Adapter)
- Two USB 2.0 ports
- 400Mbs FireWire port
- 800Mbs FireWire port
- ExpressCard/34 slot
- Built-in iSight camera
- AC adapter
- Battery
- Mac OS X 10.4 (Tiger)
- 3 year AppleCare Protection Plan

MacBook (13.3" Screen/Intel/SuperDrive) — \$1467.00

- 2.16GHz Intel Core 2 Duo processor
- 2GB RAM (2 – 667 DDR2 SO-DIMMs)
- 120GB Serial ATA hard drive
- 8x double layer SuperDrive (DVD±RW/CD-RW)
- AirPort Extreme (802.11n) Wireless Card & Bluetooth
- 13.3-inch active matrix widescreen display with 1280x800 resolution
- Intel Graphics Media Accelerator 950
- 10/100/1000 (Gigabit) Ethernet port
- Mini DVI video output
- Two USB 2.0 ports
- 400Mbs FireWire port
- Built-in iSight camera
- AC adapter
- Battery
- Mac OS X 10.4 (Tiger)
- 3 year AppleCare Protection Plan

Software Requirements for 07-08 school year

The required industry-standard software needed to complete course assignments is Adobe CS3 which may be purchased at academic discount from campus ITS store.

Adobe CS3 Design Premium **\$299** (license fee) **\$7.95** (media Fee) + tax

If you are interested in purchasing additional software, we recommend:

Microsoft Office 2004 Mac **\$10.00** + tax, Microsoft Office 2007 Pro Plus **\$9.00** + tax, Windows Vista Business **\$9.00** + tax