

Technology Requirements for Hybrid Classes

To ensure a successful hybrid learning experience, it is critical that students meet the following minimum technology requirements. These standards are designed to support participation in virtual classrooms, assignments, simulation platforms, and other online activities via our Learning Management System (Moodle).

Students must meet all of the following minimum technology requirements to enroll into hybrid programs.

1. Computer Specifications

- **Operating System:**
 - Windows 10 or later
 - macOS 10.13 (High Sierra) or later
- **Processor:** Dual-core 2Ghz or higher
- **RAM:** 4 GB minimum (16 GB recommended for courses requiring multimedia use)
- **Webcam & Microphone:** Built-in or external webcam and microphone for participating in virtual meetings. It is required that the web camera stays on throughout the entire duration of the synchronous online component.

2. Internet Connectivity

- **Speed:** Broadband internet connection with a minimum of 5 Mbps download and 1 Mbps upload (higher speeds may be required for video conferencing and media-heavy courses)
- **Recommendations:** A stable, wired (Ethernet) connection is highly recommended to avoid disruptions during live class sessions

3. Web Browsers

- Supported browsers for Moodle:
 - Google Chrome (latest version)
 - Mozilla Firefox (latest version)
 - Microsoft Edge (latest version)
 - Safari (latest version)
- Ensure that your browser is set to allow cookies and has JavaScript enabled

4. Software Requirements

- **Word Processing & Presentation Tools:**
 - Microsoft Office 365 (available to students at no cost)
- **PDF Reader:** Adobe Acrobat Reader (or equivalent)
- **Video Conferencing:** Zoom requirement is **mandatory** (check your Internet connection, webcam, and microphone at <https://zoom.us/test>)

