

2017-2018 Technology Committee Report

The CJC Technology Committee this academic year focused on reviewing the existing computing hardware and software requirements for students enrolled in the various CJC programs. Following this review, the committee generated new language for a college-wide laptop computing requirement which is currently being presented to various stakeholders for review.

The Faculty senate approved the new language on 3/15/18, and the Curriculum and Teaching Committee offered approval on 3/20/18 with a minor addition to the proposed language. (Proposed language attached to this report.)

Looking forward, the committee plans to present the finalized language to the general faculty for final comment and approval. Upon approval, language will be provided to the advising office as well as the Communications team for posting on the CJC website.

In addition, the committee offered recommendations for updating the computers in Weimer 3024 and 3028. After confirming computing needs with the professors who used those classrooms, the committee worked with TAG to determine appropriate computers for those spaces. Ultimately, the computers in 3024 were upgraded with an eye toward upgrading to similar computers in 3028 in the near future.

The committee also reviewed and approved recommendations for replacement of the large-format printers in rooms 3024 and 3028.

Proposed language for College-wide computing requirements:

UF College of Journalism and Communications students will need reliable access to (including the ability to take to class) a laptop computer that meets the following **minimum** requirements:

Windows:

Multicore processor with 64-bit support

Microsoft Windows 7, Service Pack 1 OR Windows 8.1 OR Windows 10

8 GB RAM (16 GB recommended)

25 GB of available internal hard-disk space for software installation and additional files (50 GB recommended if you're storing audio/video, photos, etc.)

1280x800 display (1920x1080 or greater recommended)(1920x1080 is the same as "Full HD")

Wireless internet connectivity

OR

macOS:

Multicore Intel Processor with 64-bit support

macOS X version 10.11 or newer

8 GB RAM (16 GB recommended)

25 GB of available internal hard-disk space for software installation and additional files (50 GB recommended if you're storing audio/video, photos, etc.)

1280x800 display (1920x1080 or greater recommended)(1920x1080 is the same as "Full HD")

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Note: the course **VIC 3001 Sight Sound and Motion** requires the use of a computer with the Adobe Premiere Pro video editing software. Therefore, we are basing our requirements on those published for that software. For more specific information, visit:

<https://helpx.adobe.com/premiere-pro/system-requirements.html>

As this software is updated fairly often, we strongly recommend that you base purchasing decisions on the most recent information at the above link. Also keep in mind that these are **minimum** requirements; ideally a student's laptop will exceed these requirements.

Tablets (e.g. iPad Pro) and netbooks/Chromebooks do NOT fulfill the laptop computing requirement. (It is possible that a student could use a less powerful laptop computer for word processing and web browsing, with the understanding that a laptop meeting the above requirements will need to be provided once enrolled in VIC 3001, or other advanced courses. Check with your course instructor if you have questions.)