

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE SPECIFICATIONS*

BCIT SCHOOL OF BUSINESS + MEDIA



COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Computer Requirements (recommended minimum):

- 13" screen
- Windows 10 or macOS Catalina
- i5 or greater processor, i7 recommended
- 8GB of RAM
- 128GB SSD
- Wireless standard 802.11n or Wireless 802.11ac
- 2x2 Wireless (will provide faster data transfer)
- Webcam
- Chrome/Safari/Firefox installed web browser
- Power cord for recharging
- 2 hour or greater battery life. Classrooms may have limited access to power outlets.
- Access to a printer

Optional items if your budget permits:

- Touch screen option on your computer and stylus

Notes:

1. Application Software Requirements

BCIT will provide Microsoft Office 365 and other applications. See information here for the latest information:
<https://www.bcit.ca/its/software/>

2. Windows or mac OS

BCIT recommends the use of Windows based computers, as instructors may not be able to assist Mac users with software compatibility issues. The BCIT IT department doesn't support or troubleshoot Mac computers. Mac computers should have the ability to run Windows specific software, which can be done through software like '[Parallels Desktop](#)'.

2. Printer

- Have scanning capability. Must be able to provide a PDF file (and multiple pages to one file). Submitting work using a photo file (i.e. .jpeg) is not acceptable.

3. Optional Items (recommended if your budget permits):

- **Monitor** – to provide a second screen (using extended screen mode in Windows). This is very useful when working with multiple documents.
- **Tablet** – Touch screen device such as an Android tablet or iPad. Great for ebooks, as it is nice to have a separate device to read with. Tablets will not be sufficient as your only computing device for BCIT programs.
- **Headset with microphone** (reasonable quality). Better sound quality for others when using the computer for video/conference calls.

* [Digital Arts, Media and Design](#) and [Broadcast and Media Communications](#) students have program specific requirements that are found on the program's 'Costs & Supplies' page.