

Are you ready for online learning?

Technical Requirements and Skills



As an online learner you will need:

- Access to a computer (Windows or MAC) with adequate memory and data processing capabilities to support video streaming, multi-tasking, and web content development. See Technology Minimums below.
- Access to a stable and secure internet connection with adequate bandwidth to support video and audio streaming, as well as web-conferencing. In our experience, publicly available free wifi networks (e.g. Starbucks, library, airport, hotel) do not provide adequate connection speeds to support online learning and should not be your primary connection source.
- Access to a webcam with a built-in or separate microphone. For the best experience, we recommend you have available a webcam as well as a headset (combined headphones and microphone).
- Basic computer skills in word processing, internet access/searches, email/chat, and saving/retrieving/sharing electronic documents are assumed.
- Basic LMS skills including navigating around a course, viewing grades, posting to a discussion forum and uploading documents and other files for grades are assumed.

Instructors assume that students are self-learners and that you will spend time outside of class time learning how to interact with and use various technologies. Instructors will provide you with resources and guides, where possible, but will expect you to take the initiative in getting familiar with how to use the tools discussed.

Minimum Technical Requirements:

Operating System	Vista Business or Premium, Windows 7, Apple OS 10.8 or higher
Browser	Moodle supports Chrome, FireFox, and Safari browsers. All browsers should be updated to the latest version. Moodle does not support Microsoft IE or Edge. Note: Cookies, Java, and JavaScript must be enabled. Pop-up blockers should be configured to permit new windows
Plug-ins	Adobe Reader [Download from Adobe] Flash Player [Download from Adobe]
Software	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Microsoft Office for PC or Mac, which is available for all students at Albright College to download at no cost.• Ability to download software onto your computer as dictated by the course.
Printer	Access to printer.
Sound Card, Microphone, and Speakers	Required; A headset may be used in place of the microphone and speakers. It is not recommended to rely on the internal microphone for creating screen recordings.