

Course Computer Requirements:

Students enrolled in this course are required to have access to a computer with the following minimum requirements:

PC: An 800 MHz or higher Intel Pentium processor (or equivalent). A minimum of 256MB of RAM using Windows 2000 system software or higher. PC must have an Audio Card as some course content is delivered via sound files.

OR

MAC: PowerPC processor based Macintosh computer 600MHz or better (iMac, eMac, G4, or G5). A minimum of 256MB of RAM using Mac OS 9.0 or higher. Audio card is required as some course content is delivered via sound files.

Browser:

Internet Explorer 5.x or higher, Netscape 6.x or higher, or Safari 1.0 or higher.

Internet Connection:

A 56K or better connection to the Internet. A Cable Modem or DSL is highly recommended. AOL users must access the course using AOL version 8.0 or higher.

Audio and Video Playing software:

Some content for this class will be delivered via the MP3 audio file format and MP4 compressed digital video format. MP3 audio files and MP4 video files can be played by most media players currently on the market. Windows media player comes pre-installed on most PCs using Windows 98 or higher. Macs can access MP3 files using QuickTime or iTunes. We recommend Quicktime as either a stand alone player, or as a browser plug-in. There is one small part of the course that requires the use of Quicktime.

The best way to find out how these files will work on your computer is to click on an audio or video link and see which player pops up to play the file. You can find several mp3 sample audio file links on web sites that sell CDs and downloadable music such as <http://www.amazon.com> or <http://mp3.com> and you can find video links at <http://www.apple.com/trailers/>.

You can download a free player, (Mac or PC) at:

<http://www.apple.com/quicktime>, or <http://www.real.com>, or <http://www.microsoft.com>.

An E-Mail account

You are required to use an email account that is registered to your name for all course correspondence. Do not use a parent or friends

email account

Text book

listed on the course syllabus which is linked on the course web site main page.