

**Studio Art & Design:
Computer Requirements**

All Studio Art & Design students will need to purchase a laptop computer. This allows students to work seamlessly on their own computer in studio classes and computer labs.

Computers should be **Macintosh** but PC platform is acceptable.
Our current advice for 2007/08 for laptop purchase would include the following minimum requirements:

Screen of 15" or larger
1.5GHZ or faster processor speed
1GB RAM or greater
60 GB Hard Drive
CD-RW Drive (or DVD-RW for students intent on creating video artworks)
Mac OSX 10.4 or Windows XP Pro operating systems
Wireless Access (802.11g or faster)

Full-sized mouse or Wacom tablet (trackpads make drawing difficult)
Software: Adobe Creative Suite

Recommended resources:

For all students: Digital camera (moderate resolution ~7mp)

For 3D Animation courses: AutoDesk's Maya 8.5

For Video courses: Apple's Final Cut Pro and a DVmini camcorder

For Special Effects: Apple's Shake & Adobe's After Effects