

TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS



Faculty Support
eLearning

Laptop & Desktop Computers

All MATC faculty must have regular access to a *laptop or desktop* computer to manage their courses. Refer to these guidelines when preparing for class.



HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

CPU	Intel i3 processor or higher; or equivalent AMD 64-bit processor
Memory	4 GB RAM or higher
Hard Drive	500 GB or higher
Screen	15 inch color monitor (at least 1024x768 resolution recommended)
Internet Connection	Ethernet or Wi-Fi connection
Battery Life	4 hours or higher
Peripherals	Sound card, speakers, printer
Storage	USB flash drive, external hard drive, or cloud storage

*Headset with microphone recommended for use with Blackboard Collaborate or Google Hangout

SUPPORTED OPERATING SYSTEMS

Windows (32 or 64 bit)	Windows 10, Windows 8, Windows 7
Mac OSX	10.11 (El Capitan), 10.10 (Yosemite), 10.9 (Mavericks), 10.8 (Mountain Lion)
Chrome OS	Chromebook with Chrome Browser (see limitations below).

*Respondus Lockdown Browser and some types of content specific to Microsoft applications will be inaccessible on Chrome OS.

*Older versions of Windows and Mac are not supported, but may still access Blackboard with a supported web browser. Use with caution.

*Linux operating systems are **not compatible** with MATC's online learning software.

SUPPORTED WEB BROWSERS FOR PC OR MAC

Google Chrome 36+	https://www.google.com/intl/en/chrome/browser/desktop/index.html
Mozilla Firefox 31+	https://www.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/
Internet Explorer 11+ or Edge 20+	http://windows.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/downloads
Safari 6+	https://support.apple.com/downloads/%2523safari

*Browser must allow [JavaScript](#), [allow cookies](#), and [allow pop-ups](#) from [Blackboard.matc.edu](#).

*Mobile browsers are not compatible with all Blackboard features. Be prepared to use a desktop or laptop computer.

*Content requiring NPAPI plugins ([Java](#), [QuickTime](#), [SilverLight](#), [Adobe Flash](#)) may only be accessible in Mozilla Firefox or Safari browsers.

*If using Safari 11, please note that there is known issue with file uploads in this browser. To upload files, use Mozilla Firefox or Google Chrome.

RECOMMENDED SOFTWARE (FREE)

Microsoft Office 365 for Education – Download full versions of Word, PowerPoint, and Excel with your MATC Gmail address. See: products.office.com/en-us/student/office-in-education

Google Drive – Cloud-based software and storage available when logged into MATC Gmail. See: google.com/drive/using-drive

Virtual Desktop – Access software applications remotely through your MATC network account. See: vdiweb.matc.edu

Adobe Reader – Program for viewing PDF documents. See: get.adobe.com/reader

Blackboard Instructor App – To view supported content & interact with your class on a mobile device. See: goo.gl/DRL3Fm

*Additional software for personal use is available at a discount from https://wiscsoftware.wisc.edu/wisc_fs/school.asp?institution=1067

*A separate [Blackboard app](#) is available for students. The legacy *Bb Mobile Learn* app is no longer supported.