

Technical Requirements for GSC Courses

GSC prohibits the use of any electronic resource that is in any way unlawful, harmful, or interferes with the use of the College's network or systems or any network or system integrated with the College's resources. Usage must not interfere with the use of services for others, infringe on any intellectual property rights, issue any threatening or offensive material, or engage in spam/email abuse, any security risk, or violation of privacy. Failure to adhere to any of the rules, policies, and agreements for subscription services, search engines, communication methods, bulletin boards, web pages, mobile applications, or other services accessed using College resources is also considered a violation of this policy. GSC users shall not use College IT resources for personal financial gain, commercial, political, and/or illegal purposes. GSC faculty and staff who operate using the College's learning management system are responsible for disclosing the current technology specifications to students, discussing appropriate use of College electronic resources, and effective and appropriate use of social media according to the College's purpose. For more information, see the Acceptable Use Policy. (PDF)

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It is the recommendation of the College that all students have access to a personal computer and internet outside of classroom hours. A laptop which can be used both off and on campus is preferred. For students who do not have access to a personal computer, there are computers available for use on campus. These computers are located in the student lounges on the 8th, 9th, and 10th floors, as well as the 9th floor Media Center.

System Requirements

NOTE: The College IT Staff does not support personal devices.

PC Hardware

Dual Core Processor

Windows 7 Home or Professional or later (Windows 10 Recommended)

Browser

Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome, Internet Explorer 11 or Edge

NOTE: The College uses several web-based applications, some of which are not compatible with certain browsers. It is recommended that students have a combination of Internet Explorer and either Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox.

Ensure that JavaScript and cookies are enabled on your browser

Software

Adobe Reader

Microsoft Office 2010 or later

Adobe Flash Player

Latest version of Java

Quicktime

Windows Media Player

GSC Email

Every student will have a GSC Email account. Students are expected to check their email everyday as this is the primary method of communication for staff and faculty. If you have a cell phone or tablet and would like email delivered to the device automatically, please see one of the IT staff members. Please refer to the College's policy on Acceptable Use regarding appropriate use of the College's IT and electronic communications infrastructure.

Microsoft Office 365

While enrolled at GSC, students will have access to Microsoft Office 365, a cloud-based office suite, as well as a downloadable copy of Office Professional Plus 2016.

The Office365 account also includes OneDrive storage for school documents.

Accepted File Format

All assignments must be submitted in Windows compatible file formats, which include:

Word – .doc, .docx

Excel - .xlsx, .xls

PowerPoint - .ppt, .pptx

Text formats - .txt, .rtf

To ensure computability, it is strongly recommended that all students download Microsoft Office 2016 Professional Plus from <https://portal.office365.com>.

If you have a question regarding file compatibility, please contact the IT Department at itsupport@email.gscollege.edu.

Macs and Mobile Devices

Mac computers and mobile devices may not be fully compatible with College applications. Compatible computers can be found in Computer Labs on the 9th floor, in the lounge areas on the 8th, 9th, and 10th floors, and in the Good Samaritan Library of Health Sciences located on the 4th floor.

Students using Mac computers or Apple iOS devices (i.e. iPads) can download a copy of Office 2016 Professional Plus for Apple from <https://portal.office365.com>, as well as Chrome and Firefox from the Apple Store.