

COMPUTER SETUP

The following recommendations will improve your experience using Moodle.

What setup is required on my PC or Mac?

- ✓ A computer connected to the internet.
- ✓ Sound card and video card with speakers or headphones

Browser Recommendations for Moodle

✓ Ensure you have the most recent version of the browser you use. For best web page access compatible with Moodle we recommend **Firefox**.

Figure 1: Browsers



Instructions for browser settings are available by going to the web addresses below:

Firefox help:

<https://support.mozilla.org/en-US/products/firefox>

Chrome help: <https://www.google.com/chrome/>

Internet Explorer:

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/internet-explorer.aspx>

Safari: go to **Safari > Preferences**. The settings are located on the *Security* and *Privacy* tabs.

Moodle will also operate with other browsers but some features may not work as intended.



What software is required?

To view course materials you'll need to ensure you have up-to-date versions of the following software installed. You can download software by going to the websites below:

- ✓ Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint), or a free equivalent such as Open Office.
<http://www.openoffice.org/>
- ✓ Many courses use Adobe PDF's that require the free Acrobat Reader software.
<http://get.adobe.com/reader/>

Figure 2: Required software



- ✓ Some courses use streaming media that require a recent version of Adobe Flash Player available free at <http://get.adobe.com/flashplayer>

Is anti-virus software needed?

It's recommended that you have the current version of one of the better antivirus programs as you will be both adding (uploading), and getting (downloading) many files from the College's Moodle website, which may make your computer vulnerable to viruses.

Norton, McAfee and AVG (a good free version) are a few of the main companies that offer protection against viruses.