



Blackboard Quick Reference Guide University of Toronto

Hardware Requirements

These requirements are the minimum/maximum requirements for basic use of Blackboard. You should also check with your instructor for any other hardware/software requirements specific to your course (i.e. PowerPoint/Excel viewers).

Hardware \ Platform	Apple Macintosh		Microsoft Windows	
	Minimum	Recommended	Minimum	Recommended
Operating System	MacOS 8.6	MacOS X 10.2 Jaguar	98 SE or ME or NT4 w/SP6	2000 or XP
Processor Speed/Type	300 MHz PowerPC G3 processor	800 MHz PowerPC G4 processor, or better	400 MHz Intel Pentium II processor, or equivalent	800 MHz Intel Pentium III processor, or equivalent/better
CPU Memory	64 MB of RAM	256 MB of RAM	64 MB of RAM	256 MB of RAM
Monitor Resolution	800 x 600	1024 x 768	800 x 600	1024 x 768
Internet Connection	56 kbps Dialup Modem	Any high-speed connection (e.g. Cable Broadband or DSL)	56 kbps Dialup Modem	Any high-speed connection (e.g. Cable Broadband or DSL)
Free Hard Disk Space	100 MB	500 MB or greater	100 MB	500 MB or greater
Audio (Sound) Card	16-bit sound card	24-bit sound card	16-bit sound card	24-bit sound card
Video Card	Virtual memory turned on and allocated to at least 64 MB	Virtual memory turned on and allocated to at least 128 MB	16 MB VRAM with 65,000 colors or 16-bit	64 MB VRAM with True Color (24-bit or 32-bit)