

Technical Requirements

Coursework at Kaplan Academy of California-Los Angeles (KAC-LA) is completely online. All students must have a computer, Internet service, and a printer. Outlined below are minimum technical requirements.

PC USERS

- Processor: 1.3 GHz (or faster) (Intel or AMD Processors)
- Memory: 256 MB RAM (512 GB or more recommended)
- Operating System: Microsoft Windows XP with Service Pack 2 or 3, Windows Vista supported
- Browser: Internet Explorer 7 (or higher), Firefox 2 (or higher)
- Software: Microsoft Office 2003 (or higher) Student and Teacher Edition or Standard Edition minimum
- Shockwave Player 8.5 (or higher) (www.adobe.com)
- Windows Media Player 10 (or higher) (www.microsoft.com)

MAC USERS

- Processor: 1.6 GHz G5 PowerPC (or faster) or Intel Core Solo Processor (or faster)
- Memory: 512 MB RAM minimum (1 GB recommended)
- Operating System: Mac OSX 10.4 (Tiger) (or later)
- Browser: Firefox 2 (or higher)
- Software: Microsoft Office 2004 (or later) (Word, Excel, and PowerPoint)
- Shockwave Player 8.5 (or higher) (Full Version 11 or higher for Intel Macs) (www.adobe.com)
- Flip4Mac 2.2 (www.flip4mac.com/wmv_download.htm)

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Internet: 56K dial-up minimum (DSL or Cable is highly recommended)
- 40GB hard drive (or larger)
- A current antivirus program
- Monitor: 1024x768 resolution (or greater) and 16-bit high color (or greater)
- Audio: Soundcard with speakers/headphones
- CD ROM (CD-R for saving files or a USB storage device recommended)
- Dial-up, DSL or Cable Internet service provider (ISP) account including a valid email address
- Java 2 Runtime Environment (www.java.com)
- Flash Player 9 (or higher) (www.adobe.com)
- Adobe Acrobat Reader 8 (or higher) (www.adobe.com)
- Browser Settings:
 - Pop-up Blocking Disabled
 - JavaScript Enabled
- Some courses will have specific software requirements, please review the syllabus for each course
- Review your Handbook regarding free downloads and file sharing practices discouraged for the performance of your computer

**Please note that Kaplan Academy of California-Los Angeles (KAC-LA) has no relationship with the hardware manufacturers, software publishers, and websites listed on this page. KAC-LA is not responsible for the availability or content of marketing or other materials on the above third party websites. The providers of the websites may discontinue their free programs at any time at their discretion.*

Students are fully responsible for removing file-sharing programs and correcting any effects caused by these programs. Use of such programs in violation of the intellectual property rights of others is a violation of KAC-LA Acceptable Use Policy and may violate the laws of the United States. This may subject students to removal from KAC-LA course(s) as well as other disciplinary or legal action more fully described in the Acceptable Use Policy and/or applicable laws.

Failure to remove these programs may result in the inability to access courses and complete assignments. KAC-LA will provide directions regarding the removal of file-sharing programs, which may interfere with course access. Despite the presence of any technological problems, students are expected to maintain their pace in all of their courses. Students are responsible for seeking alternative methods of accessing their courses because time extensions will not be granted.