

## **DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN SUGGESTED COMPUTER SPECIFICATION AND SOFTWARE**

Academic year: 2009-2010

*Although our Design Department has computer labs with design software, many students also like to purchase their own computers. Here are our current recommendations for minimum computer specs, and optimal computer specs.*

### **Suggested Minimum Computer System Specs:**

System Specs:

- Pentium Four 2.2GHZ Dual Core Processor and Faster (or similar)
- 4GB RAM or More

Desktop:

- 19" LCD OR LED Screen or Larger,
- Desktop Graphics Card: Nvidia or ATI Graphics Card 512MB Memory or More
  - Industrial Design- Nvidia only

Laptop:

- Macbook Pro with Windows or PC, 15" Screen or Larger
- Dedicated Nvidia or ATI Graphics Card 512MB Memory or More
  - Industrial Design- Nvidia only

### **Recommended Computer System Specs:**

System Specs:

- Quad Core Processor
- 6-8GB RAM

Desktop:

- 24" LCD or LED Screen
- Nvidia or ATI Graphics Card 1GB on board Memory
  - Industrial Design- Nvidia only

Laptop:

- PC or Macbook Pro with External 24" Monitor
- Dedicated Nvidia or ATI Graphics Card with 1GB on board Memory
  - Industrial Design- Nvidia only

### **Interior Design (IA) Software:**

- AutoCAD LT 2005 or later
- Adobe Creative Suite 3 or later
  - Illustrator, Photoshop, Indesign, Acrobat Professional
- 3D Studio Max
- Sketch-up

### **Industrial Design (ID) Software:**

- Adobe Creative Suite 3 or later
  - Illustrator, Photoshop, Indesign, Acrobat Professional
- AutoCAD LT 2005 or later
- Alias Sketch
- Alias Studio
- Solidworks
- 3D Studio Max

### **General Design (BA) Software:**

- Adobe Creative Suite 3 or later
  - Illustrator, Photoshop, Indesign, Acrobat Professional
- AutoCAD LT 2005 or later

Depending on Area of Specialization:

- Solidworks
- 3D Studio Max
- Alias (Nvidia Graphics Card Recommended)

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