



Brown University

Online Learning Technical Requirements

You will need the following hardware and software to effectively participate in Brown University online programs.

- A reliable, high-speed Internet connection. If you're able to view YouTube videos, you should have the required bandwidth to participate in course activities.
- A laptop or desktop computer running an up-to-date Internet browser [supported by Canvas](#).
NOTE: Mobile devices (smart phones, tablets) are also supported, but may be less than optimal for some required assignments.
- Camera for still and video images (or smartphone)
- Headphones, earbuds or speakers
- Webcam and microphone
- Word Processing application to save and open Microsoft Office formats (.doc,.docx, .xls, .xlsx, .ppt, .pptx). Brown students have *free* access to [Microsoft Office 365](#) and will be provided with instructions on how to access it at the start of the course.
- Courses can also be accessed on [tablets and mobile devices](#). These devices can be used as *supplemental* access points in order to complete most coursework.