

Technology Requirements for Communication and Design FAQ

Why does Lynn use a Digital Toolkit?

The Digital Toolkit simplifies the purchasing of technology for our students and ensures that all students have the same resources in the classrooms and in their residence.

Do I need a Digital Toolkit?

The Digital Toolkit is required for the following programs:

- A.S. in Graphic Design
- B.F.A. in Computer Animation
- B.F.A. in Graphic Design;
- B.F.A. in Film Production
- B.F.A. Visual Art and Design;
- M.F.A. in Computer Animation
- M.S. in Digital Media or Web Design Technology specializations

Students who choose not to obtain the Digital Toolkit through Lynn will be unable to obtain support for their own laptop at the IT support desk.

Do all courses in the College of Communication and Design require students to have a Digital Toolkit?

Note. The Digital Toolkit is required for most courses that have a significant production component. Here is a list of courses that require the Digital Toolkit:

- All GVC courses, except GVC 395
- All CA courses
- All CGD courses
- All GA courses
- All GWD courses
- All WD courses
- The following COM courses:
 - COM 140 Audio Production
 - COM 145 Television Production
 - COM 150 Film Production
 - COM 255 Digital Video Editing
 - COM 307 Advanced Production
 - COM 327 Cinematography
 - COM 414 Documentary Production
 - COM 465 Film and Video Practicum
 - COM 482 Digital Art and Design Capstone
 - COM 484 Film and Television Production Capstone
- The following FA courses:
 - FA 315 Expressive Drawing
 - FA 505 Advanced Drawing and Painting Studio

I already own a laptop. Can I use it for my coursework?

Yes, as long as it meets the specifications of the university Digital Toolkit. Please read the section on laptop specification in this FAQ to see if your laptop qualifies.

Will I receive any accessories with the Digital Toolkit?

Yes, in addition to the Dell Precision 7760 CTO laptop, you will receive the following accessories (All accessories must be purchased):

- Wacom PTH460KOA Intuos Pro Small Pen & Touch Tablet
- 1 TB External Drive
- Wired Mouse

What are the specifications of the laptop that is included in the Digital Toolkit?

Dell Mobile Workstation 7760

Mobile Workstation Specs:

Screen: 17 inches

Processor: Core i7-11850H; (Quad Core 2.5 GHz – 4.8GHz)

Memory: 16 GB RAM

Hard Drive: 256 GB SSD

Graphics: NVIDIA T12000 w/4 GB GDDR6

Professional 64 bit

Apple MacBook Pro with Touch Bar

2.3GHz 8-Core Processor

1TB Storage

AMD Radeon Pro 5500M

2.3GHz 8-core 9th-generation Intel Core i9 processor

Turbo Boost up to 4.8GHz

AMD Radeon Pro 5500M with 4GB of GDDR6 memory

16GB of 2666MHz DDR4 memory

1TB of SSD storage¹

16-inch Retina display with True Tone

Magic Keyboard

Touch Bar and Touch ID

Four Thunderbolt 3 ports

How do I purchase a Digital Toolkit?

Students can make the purchase online at the SHI.com. Please see instructions on how to create your SHI account.

Document located on my.lynn.edu under the new Students Tab, along the right hand side under Digital Tool Kit.

Can I purchase the Digital Toolkit from another store or retailer?

Yes, using the specifications from our Digital Toolkit, students can also purchase laptops at the store or retailer of their choosing (ex. Best Buy, Apple, and Amazon). Please read the section on laptop specification in this FAQ to see if your laptop qualifies.