



COLLEGE OF VISUAL ARTS AND DESIGN

Design Department, Communication Design

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UNT College of Visual Arts and Design Communication Design Required Computer Purchase Specifications for Communication Design majors. Macintosh is the platform of choice in this industry.

HARDWARE

The following Apple Macintosh computer* configuration is recommended for purchase** or lease for communication design majors enrolled in UNT College of Visual Arts and Design: 13-inch MacBook Pro (If you can afford a 15-inch MacBook Pro, then you should purchase that size.)

Processor: 2.7GHz dual-core, Intel Core i7
Memory: 4GB 1333MHz DDR3 SDRAM - 2x2GB (purchase the 8GB 1333MHz DDR3 SDRAM - 2x4GB if you can afford it)
Hard Drive: 500GB Serial ATA Drive @ 5400 rpm
Extended Warranty: AppleCare Protection Plan
Approximate Price: \$1,748.00 US (not including taxes and shipping)

**The Apple is the computer most often used in the profession, but it possible to use a similarly configured PC.*

***Student discounts are available directly through www.apple.com and/or the UNT Bookstore.*

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SOFTWARE

All prices stated are from the Follett in the UNT Bookstore.

The following software* should be configured to run on any computer regularly used by communication design majors enrolled in UNT CVAD:

Adobe Creative Suite 5.5 Design Premium — Student Edition; \$428

<http://www.journeyed.com/item/Adobe/Creative+Suite+Design+Premium/1501963>

Adobe Photoshop® CS5 Extended

Adobe Illustrator® CS5

Adobe InDesign® CS5.5

Adobe Dreamweaver® CS5.5

Adobe Flash® Professional CS5.5

Adobe Flash Catalyst® CS5.5

Adobe Fireworks® CS5

Adobe Acrobat® X Pro

Adobe Bridge CS5

Adobe Device Central CS5.5

Adobe Media Encoder CS5.5

The Adobe Font Folio 11 Essentials Collection: \$149

<http://www.journeyed.com/item/Adobe/Font+Folio/37591036N>

Office 2011 for MAC (Academic): \$100

<http://www.journeyed.com/item/Microsoft/Office+for+Macintosh/1452549>

Suitcase Fusion 3: \$60

<http://www.journeyed.com/item/Extensis/Suitcase+Fusion/1453343>

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