

Technology Agreement for Online MSSW Program

Submit this completed form to School of Interdisciplinary and Graduate Studies (SIGS) as part of your application to the Kent School's Online MSSW program.

The following statements identify the technology requirements as recommended by UofL's Delphi Center for Teaching and Learning. These requirements were developed to assist the Online MSSW applicants in understanding the necessary technology for optimal performance in Kent School's online learning environment. Specifications and configurations that are different from those listed below could still adequately perform functions of the virtual classroom related software.

<p>I have a personal computer in which I have administrative rights (the ability to download software, change firewalls and other security settings).</p> <p><i>Note: Work computers, library computers, lab computers and any other guest accessible computers may have security restrictions that can interfere with the ability to utilize certain software that may be used by some Kent faculty.</i></p>	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted
<p>I have a broadband internet connection (not dial-up) and the speed of my connection is at least 512 kb/s or higher for DSL or 1 Mbps or higher for (upload) cable connection.</p> <p><i>Note: Dial up or lower DSL connection rates will result in insufficient bandwidth to perform many functions in the synchronous* online environment and will affect the performance of others in the class.</i></p>	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted
<p>I have a capacity for a wired connection.</p> <p><i>Note: Due to the nature of some of virtual classroom related software, a wired connection is preferred or a known high quality wireless connection. Wireless connectivity can vary widely depending on the router and network being connected to, environmental conditions, location changes of the PC to router, etc. If using an uncertain public wireless connection such as at a coffee shop, public building or library—there can be inconsistency in the signal resulting in temporary loss of connection.</i></p>	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted
<p>I have a backup plan in case I experience a computer or internet malfunction.</p>	[] Yes	[] No, but I will establish a plan if accepted
<p>For Windows users – please answer the following questions. If you are a MAC user, please skip to next section.</p>		
<p>I have Windows XP or Windows 7 as my operating system.</p>	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted
<p>I have a dual-core processor 2.0Ghz or above.</p>	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted
<p>I have one of the following browsers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firefox 10 or higher • Internet Explorer 9 or higher • Google Chrome 1.9 or higher 	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted
<p>I have Java version 1.6 or higher.</p>	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted

For Mac users – please answer the following questions.		
I have Lion OSX 10.7 or Snow Leopard 10.6.	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted
I have a core i5 or higher computer processor.	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted
I have one of the following browsers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safari 5 or higher • Firefox 10 or higher 	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted
The following questions are relevant to both PC and Mac users.		
I have 4GB or higher of RAM.	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted
My personal computer has sound and video cards OR built in sound and video on the motherboard with an external microphone and speaker input.	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted [] I am certain that I have an alternate arrangement that will be sufficient.
I have a webcam, either internal or external.	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase if accepted
I have Microsoft Office 2010 or higher.	[] Yes	[] No, but I will obtain/purchase (if accepted, you can purchase through UofL's Tech Express at a cost of ~\$100)

*A synchronous online class requires students to participate in a virtual classroom during a specified time. As stated on the application checklist, you might be required to participate in synchronous class sessions in your online curriculum at Kent School.

Signed: _____
(A typed signature is acceptable.)

Dated: _____