

## IT Requirements

Most of the resources and activities you are asked to access in your course are on the internet and require only a basic functioning computer with up to date software you can download free from the internet.

In order to access online resources for your course you need specific free software installed on your computer, these are basic and should already be installed.

1. An up to date web browser, Internet Explorer (PC) or Safari (Mac)
2. Adobe PDF reader
3. Adobe Flash

A broadband connection is advised to get the most of the College's online apps.

### Updating your web browser

Your web browser is very important as it is the software that allows you to access the internet. The internet is always changing; it is important that you update your browser so that your computer can keep up with these changes to keep you protected and avoid problems.

Click on the links to see if you need to update your browser:

[PC: internet explorer](#) or [Mac: safari](#)

### Updating your PDF reader

Your tutors should save all course resources as PDFs so you can access them on any device including your mobile phone without having to buy software. The Library's supplies online e-books versions of many of the text books you will need for your studies, these will only work with Adobe PDF reader.

#### Adobe PDF reader

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Note: you should un-tick the box that asks you to install the Google Chrome web browser.

### Microsoft Office Web Apps

If you need to create or access a Microsoft Office document such as a Word or PowerPoint file at any point you can sign up for a free online version of Office or purchase the student edition.

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### Updating Flash

Flash is software that works with your web browser to allow you to view videos and advanced features of websites.

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