



## Cambridge College – National Institute for Teaching Excellence (NITE) Student Laptop Information

The use of laptops will play an important role during your Professional Seminar and in many of your N.I.T.E program courses. It is critical that all students have access to a laptop from the beginning of your N.I.T.E. program.

**All students enrolled in the NITE summer 2011 programs are required to have access to a laptop computer throughout their stay on campus.**

The minimum software and hardware requirements for personal laptops are listed below. If it is convenient please bring all original laptop restore and software application disks so that in the event a software restore is needed you will have access to the original disk media. It is critical for you to know what the local Administrator password is for your computer. If you will be using a computer provided by your place of employment you should consult with your organizations IT department for this information.

Please note that Cambridge College **cannot**, under any circumstances be responsible for the security of personal laptops. Cambridge College strongly urges students to insure their laptop against loss, theft and accidental damage. Such insurance can be purchased from a number of companies. You may also be able to purchase a rider from your homeowner's insurance that would cover your laptop.

If you do not have a laptop to bring to your summer program, you may be able to receive financial aid for the purchase of a computer. Please contact financial aid before you purchase a computer to determine eligibility.

To contact Financial Aid please call 617-868-1000 x 1440 or e-mail at [financialaidweb@cambridgecollege.edu](mailto:financialaidweb@cambridgecollege.edu)

### Computer Requirements

You need to have a computer that meets the College's minimum requirements below.

#### Microsoft Windows

Windows XP (or higher)  
1 GB RAM (2 GB or greater highly recommended)  
Wireless capability  
Sound Card and Speakers

#### Macintosh OS

MacOS OS 10 (or higher)  
1 GB RAM (2 GB or greater highly recommended)  
Wireless capability  
Sound Card and Speaker

### Software

- ✚ **Microsoft Office 2007**
- ✚ **Internet Browser** - Microsoft Internet Explorer 8.0 or higher OR Mozilla FireFox Version 3.5.7 or higher – both are free downloads)
- ✚ **Anti-virus/Spyware/Malware** - The College requires that all computers have some form of anti-virus, spyware and malware software protection installed.
- ✚ Program specific software and hardware (check with the your program director)

Please click the link below to certify that you understand the requirements of the program and that your computer meets these minimum requirements.

<http://www.cambridgecollege.edu/nite/laptopdeclform>

Best Regards,  
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