

## **Technology Requirements for Students at Evangelical Seminary**

Evangelical Seminary offers courses with various delivery methods, from on-ground instruction to synchronous meetings, asynchronous classes as well as hybrid courses which include a combination of on-ground and online instruction and meetings. For students to have successful and rewarding experiences with courses that have online components it is crucial that they have computer hardware and software that is up-to-date and that meets the standards of the school as well as a certain comfort level with using certain software programs. The following list will provide all current and future students a list of minimal components and software they should be able to access.

### **Computer Requirements:**

Students should have a desktop or laptop computer with the following specifications:

- Processor speed of 3 GHz or faster
- 8 GB of RAM or higher
- 60 GB of Hard Drive space
- Graphics card
- Webcam
- Microphone
- DVD drive
- Multiple USB ports
- Ethernet port
- HDMI port
- Wireless internet connectivity
- Access to a printer which can handle graphics

Mobile Devices such as Microsoft Surface may be sufficient if you can afford one with these minimum requirements. Often, mobile devices such as smartphones only allow you to use certain software and websites through an app which may have limited functionality.

### **Software Requirements:**

- Windows 10 for PC users and Mac OS X for Mac users
- Latest Version of Google Chrome web browser works best with our applications
- Most recent edition of Microsoft Office that includes Word, Excel and PowerPoint
- Up-to-date version of Adobe Reader & plugins
- Free Zoom account
- Evangelical Gmail Account and Google Drive account
- Antivirus software

### **Internet Requirements:**

- High Speed DSL or Cable internet (For online instruction that requires synchronous events you will not only need high speed download rates, such as those needed for watching movies online, but you will need high speed upload rates as well so that what you respond to the class or instructor there are no delays)
- Ability to plug your computer directly into router