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Computer Specifications and Software

Central to the online Diploma of Graphic Design course is a reliable computer with robust specifications able to edit high quality photo images and video productions. Your computer must be powerful enough to run our core programs which are essential to successfully completing the course.

PC Specs:

i5 - i9 CPU

Minimum 16Gb of RAM

Most importantly - it MUST have 4Gb or more of GRAPHICS CARD MEMORY. Less than this and it will not run the video editing software.

MAC Specs:

Apple M1

Storage:

It is recommended you have ample storage space on your computer hard drive (more is better).
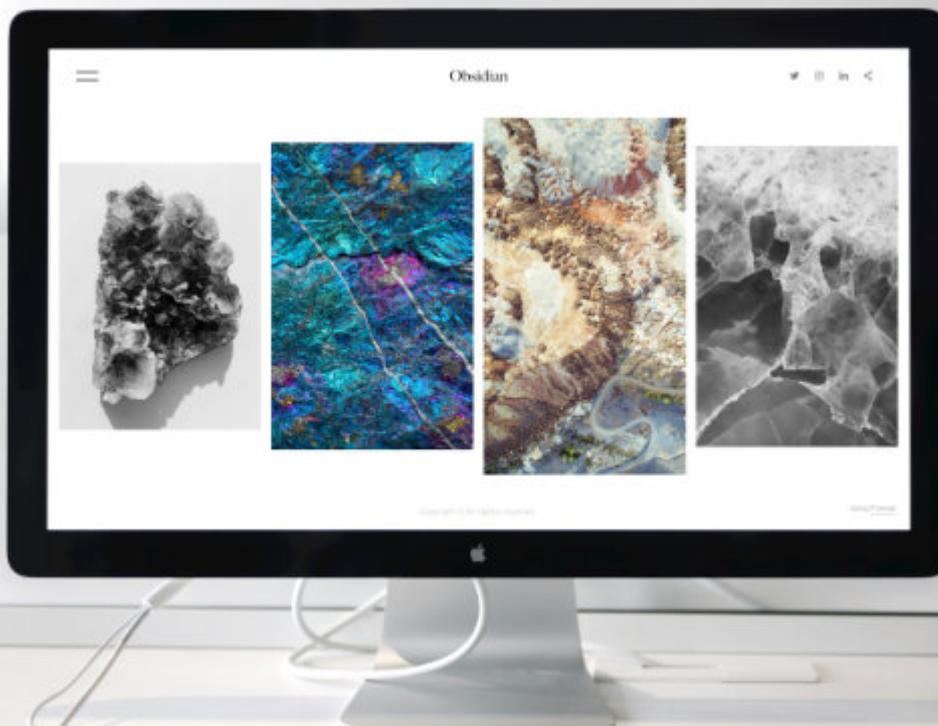
We also recommend an external hard drive for backups of at least 1TB.

Software:

You will need to download and install the following software:

DaVinci Resolve (The free version not Studio)

Affinity by Canva

Photography Equipment

For the Film Photography module you need a production kit which includes the following:

Camera:

You need a digital SLR or mirrorless camera that is capable of shooting RAW photos, can adjust ISO, shutter speed, aperture and has interchangeable lenses.

This can be a sky's the limit type purchase or something you purchase second hand.

For example, at the college we have a $6,000 Sony FX3, a $2000 Sony A7III and a second hand $300 Canon 600D.

All will do exactly what is required.

But the Canon or a similar type camera is perfectly suited for this course.

If you already have a camera or you are not sure what camera is suitable, please contact us.

Film Camera:

SLR, TLR, or other film cameras that shoot either 120 (medium format) or 35mm film.

Tripod:

We recommend one that has a ball head for photography.

If you are unsure of which one to buy, please contact us.

Design and Drawing Art Supplies

As part of the Design, Drawing & Mixed Media module you will need the following materials:

Basics:

A4 or A3 Visual diary

Variety of graphite pencils: HB to 6B

Regular eraser

Putty eraser

Sharpener

Variety of Artline pens: 0.4 minimum

Steel ruler 30mm or 50mm

Painting:

Acrylic colours - red, blue, yellow, black and white

Paint brushes - variety of sizes: 3mm upwards

Not essential/nice to have:

Cutting mat

Glue stick

Scissors

Coloured paper

Coloured markers

Paint palette for mixing

Other acrylic paint colours

Charcoal/Conte chalk