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Students attending a Pierce Mortuary College must adhere to the following technology requirements to ensure success in their program. Students should possess basic skills in accessing and sending emails, conducting research on the internet, and using word processing software for paper and project creation. Please note that **Chromebooks, cell phones, and tablets are not compatible** with many of the college's required software programs.

Below are the minimum specifications for the required technology:

Category	Specifications
Operating System	Windows Users: Windows 10+, 11+
	Mac Users: MacOS 13+ or higher (no iPads)
Processor	Intel i5, i7, or i9 / AMD Ryzen 7 or Ryzen 9 (Quad Core for Desktops)
Memory	8 GB
Hard Drive	160 GB (SSD recommended); at least 20 GB of available space
Webcam	External USB Webcam required for proctoring services.
	Devices not compatible with proctoring services include iPads, tablets, Amcrest Cameras, Walmart/Onn Branded Cameras, Nexigo Camera, Chromebooks, cell phones
Word Processor	Microsoft Office 365 (provided after enrollment)
Browser	Google Chrome version 120+ (required)
Browser Plug-Ins	Java, Adobe Reader
Multimedia	Speakers/Headphones; Windows Media Player for Windows 10, Media Player for Windows 11; QuickTime Player for Mac
Internet	High-Speed (wired connection preferred for stability)

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Additional Requirements for Proctored Examinations

Webcam Setup

Students are required to use a side camera during proctored examinations to ensure compliance with examination protocols.

All proctored examinations require the use of an external USB side-facing camera. The side camera must be positioned to clearly show the student, workspace, hands, and surrounding testing environment. At the start of the proctored session, the device's front-facing (built-in) camera will be disabled to allow for full use of the side-facing camera. Use of a side-facing camera is required to complete all proctored examinations. Failure to meet this requirement may result in the inability to complete the exam or the issuance of a zero.

Suggested Accessories

- A tripod or gooseneck mount to securely position the external webcam at the required side angle, ensuring stability and adjustability.
- A USB extension cable to allow flexibility in external webcam placement for optimal positioning.

Testing Area Setup

- Students must complete examinations in a private, well-lit, and distraction-free environment.
- The testing area must be free from pets, other individuals, and background noise to maintain examination integrity.

Support and Technical Responsibility

- Students are responsible for ensuring all required equipment is functional and compatible with Honorlock or other approved proctoring platforms prior to the examination date.
- Any technical issues must be identified and resolved in advance to prevent disruptions during testing.

Additional Requirements for Embalming Lab Simulator

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Tablet Devices	iPad 7th Generation/iPad Pro Samsung Galaxy Tab s5e 2019

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Operating System	Windows Users: Windows 10, 11
	Mac Users: iOS 10.14 or higher
Processor	Dual Core 2 GHz
Memory	4 GB
Hard Drive	160 GB (SSD recommended); at least 20 GB of available space
Dedicated Graphics Card	NVIDIA (GeForce 630+, 710+, 900 series) AMD (Radeon HD 8570+, R7 240+, R7 340+)
	Graphics hardware and drivers must support OpenGL ES 3.0 API
Screen Resolution	1024 x 768 pixel (24 Bit)
Browser	Google Chrome (latest version) *Browser has JavaScript, Pop-ups, Cookies and WebGL 2.0 enabled
Browser Plug-Ins	Java, Adobe Reader
Multimedia	Speakers/Headphones; Windows Media Player for Windows 10, Media Player for Windows 11; QuickTime Player for Mac
Internet	High-Speed (wired connection preferred for stability) Connection of 2Mbps Broadband connection (or equivalent) ** Content will load faster on computers with a faster Internet connection. ** Confirm browser supports WebGL 2.0, and is enabled by browsing to https://get.webgl.org/webgl2/