

# Bard Henderson Computer Resources Center

The Henderson Computer Resources Center (HCRC) and the Henderson Technology Laboratories are the hub of academic computing at Bard.

The Henderson staff coordinates information technology planning, use, and distribution on campus and installs and maintains hundreds of computers throughout the campus.

The Bard network features a gigabit backbone with 100MB desktop speeds that link College facilities and give students, faculty, and staff access to Internet services, e-mail, and the World Wide Web from classrooms, residence hall rooms, offices, and public areas.

The Henderson buildings house the largest single concentration of public-access computers on campus. The facilities include computer classrooms and public-user labs; specialized multimedia facilities; file, print, and Web servers; and an extensive software library. High-end Pentium PC and Macintosh computers are available for use at the Henderson Center, along with scanners, DVD burners, black-and-white laser printers, and video input/output running under a variety of multimedia software titles. Other public computing facilities are located in the Stevenson Library and Bertelsmann Campus Center.

## Hours of Operation

The main lab in the Henderson Technology Laboratories building is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All facilities in the Henderson Computer Resources Center are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to midnight, on Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., on Saturday from noon to 9:00 p.m., and on Sunday from noon to midnight.

## Contacting the Staff

Henderson staff is available from Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For assistance, call the Henderson Help Desk at 845-758-7500.

## Computer Purchases

For those who wish to purchase a computer for personal use at Bard, the Henderson staff recommends the following models:

### Apple Macintosh

G5 iMac or greater  
Mac OS 10.4\*  
80GB hard drive or greater  
1GB RAM or greater  
CD-RW/DVD-RW  
128MB USB key (optional)  
Ethernet network capabilities\*\*  
Microsoft Word or Microsoft Office or "Pages"  
Micromat TechTool Pro

### PC

Dell Pentium 3GHz or greater  
Microsoft Windows XP Pro\*  
80GB hard drive or greater  
1GB RAM or greater  
CD-RW/DVD-RW  
128MB USB key (optional)  
Ethernet network capabilities  
Microsoft Office 2003  
McAfee or Norton virus protection

\* Bring your operating system installation software with you to campus.

For more information and educational pricing on Apple products, visit the Apple website at [www.apple.com](http://www.apple.com).

For more information and educational pricing on Dell products, visit the Dell website at [www.dell.com](http://www.dell.com).

Please note that Bard College does not offer a computer purchase plan for students.

\*\* If you are running OSX or higher, you have Ethernet capability.

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## Campus Network

Bard provides high-speed Ethernet access to the Internet and campus computing resources via fiber-optic cabling to all student residence halls. 802.11b(g) wireless networking is available in several areas around the campus including the Stevenson Library, Bertelsmann Campus Center, and Ward Manor Café. Students wanting to use wireless networking will need to purchase compatible wireless network interface.

If you will be using a computer in your residence hall room and want to connect to the Internet through Bard's network, your computer will need an Ethernet interface. The computers recommended above include this capability. You will need to purchase and install an adapter if your computer lacks Ethernet capability.

In addition to the required hardware, Windows 2000/XP or Mac OS X (or higher) *must* be installed.

If you wish to take advantage of networking services, please be aware that Henderson staff does not install networking hardware or modems. You can arrange to connect to the campus network through the Residential Network (ResNet) section, located at <http://inside.bard.edu/resnet>.

Following are the **minimum** configurations that are supported.

### **Apple Macintosh**

Power Macintosh  
Macintosh Operating System X  
500MB hard drive  
64MB RAM  
CD-RW  
Ethernet network capabilities  
Microsoft Word/Office

### **PC**

Pentium3 1GHz  
Microsoft Windows 2000  
60GB hard drive  
512MB RAM  
CD-RW  
Ethernet network capabilities  
Microsoft Office 2000

*Bard recognizes the importance of saving energy and is a partner in the EPA's ENERGY STAR program. All computer systems recommended by Bard Information Services meet or exceed federal guidelines for energy efficiency. If you'd like more ENERGY STAR information on recommended systems, please visit the following:*

**Dell:** [www.us.dell.com/content/topics/global/topics/pure\\_earth/index.html](http://www.us.dell.com/content/topics/global/topics/pure_earth/index.html)

**Apple:** [www.apple.com/environment](http://www.apple.com/environment)

**If you have questions about computer resources at Bard, please call the Henderson Help Desk at 845-758-7500.**