

## System Requirements for Blackboard version 7.3

### Browser Requirements:

Blackboard can be accessed through any computer equipped with a java-enabled browser and a connection to the Internet\*. Blackboard.com has tested the following browsers:

### Browsers for Windows 2000/XP/Vista:

<b>Certified Browsers</b> (fully tested & supported)	<b>Compatible Browsers</b> (key application areas tested)
Microsoft Internet Explorer 6.0 or better	Netscape 7.1 or better ( <b>Note:</b> this browser is no longer under development and is no longer supported by AOL)
Mozilla Firefox 1.5 or better <a href="http://www.mozilla.com">http://www.mozilla.com</a>	Opera 9 or better <a href="http://www.opera.com">http://www.opera.com</a> ( <b>Note:</b> this browser has been tested by Michener staff , not Blackboard.com, and has been found to work well with Blackboard)

### Browsers for Mac OS\*\*:

<b>Certified Browsers</b> (fully tested & supported)	<b>Compatible Browsers</b> (key application areas tested)
Mozilla Firefox 1.5 or better <a href="http://www.mozilla.com">http://www.mozilla.com</a>	Safari 1.2 or better <a href="http://www.apple.com/ca/macosx/features/safari.html">http://www.apple.com/ca/macosx/features/safari.html</a>

### Browsers for Linux:

Mozilla Firefox 1.5 or better <a href="http://www.mozilla.com">http://www.mozilla.com</a>	Konqueror <a href="http://www.kde.org">http://www.kde.org</a>
Galeon <a href="http://galeon.sourceforge.net">http://galeon.sourceforge.net</a>	
<b>Note:</b> Blackboard.com has not tested browsers on the Linux OS nor does it support the Linux OS.	

\* A high speed connection is highly recommended for the efficient use of the Collaboration Tools, content uploaded by instructors, and completing assessments in Blackboard

\*\* While Blackboard functions normally in Mozilla Firefox and Safari on the Mac OS, Michener cannot support the Mac OS at this time. We apologize for any inconvenience

### Java Runtime Environment:

The Java Runtime Environment must be installed on your computer for the Collaboration Tools, the Visual Text Box Editor and any java-based content uploaded by your instructors to function properly. Michener's computers are currently configured with Java (TM) 6 updates 5 & 7 and have been tested to ensure the proper functioning of the Collaboration Tools and any PowerPoint presentations converted to Java using Impatica. Upgrading to the latest version of Java may result in these applications/content not functioning properly. For more information regarding the removal/installation of the Java Runtime Environment, please refer to the tip sheet "**Java Runtime Environment**" (links for downloading Java for the Mac OS X are also available in this tip sheet).