

Acadia's technology-rich environment

The teaching and learning environment at Acadia is unlike any other. Students and faculty are issued Dell™ Latitude™ D600 1.40 GHz Pentium M notebook computers for use during academic semesters. Each notebook features:

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| 40GB Hard Drive | 512MB RAM |
| 14.1 XGA+ screen | 6-cell Primary Battery |
| Internal 56K Modem | Built-in Ethernet and Wireless Connections |
| 24X CDRW/DVD | |

Course material is delivered in class by faculty using their notebook computers and state-of-the-art networking software. Students use their computers to complete coursework, assignments and research. They are encouraged to make full use of the latest technology to browse websites and databases for information that will enhance their studies and broaden their perspectives.

Acadia classrooms contain ergonomically designed chairs, large screen data projectors and power and data connections at their seats. Beyond the classroom, the Acadia campus is fully wired and as more wireless nodes are added, networking will be available anywhere at anytime. Students will be able to download class notes, e-mail their professors and participate in group discussions from virtually anywhere on campus whenever their schedules demand. The Acadia network can also be accessed from off-campus through a dial-up connection.

Students enrolling in a program at Acadia are not expected to have any specialized computer training. Throughout the year, free seminars are offered to teach students how to use their notebooks efficiently and effectively. In addition, Acadia's User Support Centre is open seven days per week to help students solve hardware and software problems. When required, notebook repairs are made on-site with free loaners available if necessary.

Acadia's on-campus residence rooms all have network connections. In addition, each residence room has a telephone equipped with voice-mail and a one-button, 24-hour direct connection to the Safety and Security Office. Telephones are provided free of charge to students who need only pay long distance charges. Cable television service can be purchased for each room, but students must bring their own TV sets.