PC Requirements!

What your PC needs to run Netscape Communicator.
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Minimum Requirements

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The table below describes the minimum hardware requirements needed to run Netscape Communicator Professional on various system configurations. Please check these requirements to determine if your PC system will require any upgrades.

Processor/OS	Recommended Memory	Minimum Memory	Free Hard Disk Space
Pentium – Win 95	16 MB	16 MB	100 MB
Pentium - Win NT	16 MB	16 MB	100 MB
486 – Win 95	32 MB*	32 MB	100 MB
486 – Win 3.X	16 MB	8 MB	70 MB
386 – Win 3.X	16 MB	8 MB	70 MB

* Netscape Communicator will run on a 486 – Win 95 PC with less than 32 MB of memory but it runs very slowly. DIR recommends upgrading memory to 32 MB for any 486 system that is running Windows 95.

In addition to PC hardware requirements, users who desire to print a hard copy of their e-mail will require a printer directly attached to their PC or access to a LAN printer. If users do not have access to a printer, they will need to take their e-mail files to a system that does have access.

If your PC DOES NOT MEET THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS, there are several things to consider. First, the University Netscape Office System team will be evaluating a module of Netscape Communicator called Express Clients. Express Clients are said to allow any workstation with a web browser access to email and calendaring. Theoretically, this would allow users with older versions of

Netscape access to e-mail and calendars without the need for additional hardware. Second, through the University's Central Microcomputer Program, many new systems, system upgrades, and recycled systems are continually implemented. You can check with your departmental coordinator to determine if a budget request was submitted to upgrade your system. Last, if you don't have access to a PC with the minimum requirements, you should refer to the March 9th edition of this newsletter that refers to e-mail via PINE on the Academic system. More information on PINE will be available in future issues.



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