

# PLATO System & Configuration Requirements

**Current information regarding requirements, configuration options, and additional support information not listed in this section can be found on the PLATO Learning Support Services website, or by clicking on this link: <http://support.plato.com/requirements.asp>**

The following information is the hardware and software requirements for workstations in order to access the PLATO Web Learning Network. Systems should function without error at an acceptable performance level when requirements are met.

All workstations also require the following:

- Hard disk space sufficient to run the workstation's operating system and web browser properly
- Mouse
- Keyboard
- Monitor

## **Microsoft® Windows®**

**Windows® XP Professional or Home Edition (SP3)**

**Windows® 2000 Professional or Home Edition (SP4)**

<b>Processor Speed</b>	• 1 GHz processor or faster
<b>Memory</b>	• 512 MB or more
<b>Sound Card</b>	• Sound card and headset (required only if running PLATO Learning audio courseware)
<b>Web Browser</b>	• Internet Explorer® 6.0 (SP1) • Internet Explorer® 7.0 • Internet Explorer® 8.0

**Windows® Vista® Ultimate, Enterprise, Professional, or Home Edition (SP3)**

**Windows® 7 Ultimate, Enterprise, Professional, or Home Edition**

<b>Processor Speed</b>	• 1 GHz processor or faster
<b>Memory</b>	• 1 GB or more
<b>Sound Card</b>	• Sound card and headset (required only if running PLATO Learning audio courseware)
<b>Web Browser</b>	• Internet Explorer® 7.0 • Internet Explorer® 8.0

## Workstation System Requirements (continued)

### Apple® Macintosh® OS 10.4.11

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**Processor Speed**

- PowerPC® or Intel®

**Note: The Intel® processor is currently only supported on this OS while running Safari with Rosetta® enabled. For instructions on how to enable Rosetta Mode, please visit <http://support.plato.com/kb/tip.asp?psid=5391>. PLATO Learning will continue to support products running in Rosetta mode on the Intel-based Mac while Apple® actively supports Rosetta.**

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**Memory**

- 512 MB or more

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**Internet connection**

- (See Internet Connection Speed on page 7)

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**Web Browser**

- Safari® 3.2.x

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### Macintosh® OS 10.5.x

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**Processor Speed**

- PowerPC® or Intel®

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**Memory**

- 1 GB or more

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**Internet connection**

- (See Internet Connection Speed on page 7)

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**Web Browser**

- Safari® 3.2.x

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## **Enable JavaScript™ and ActiveX® Controls**

**Internet Explorer®** web browsers must have ActiveX® controls and JavaScript™ enabled to run the PLATO Web Learning Network.

Most browsers have these features enabled by default. However, they may be disabled if the default settings in the web browser have been changed.

For **Macintosh®** operating system-based machines, check the web browser's Help file for instructions on how to enable plug-ins, enable scripting, or control access of JavaScript.

## **Pop-up Blockers**

If the workstation is running a **Windows®** operating system, the following instructions are based on the web browser version:

### **Internet Explorer Version 6.0 and higher**

1. Start Internet Explorer
2. Click Tools > Internet Options
3. Click the Security tab
4. Click the "Default Level" button, and then click **OK**

For more details, go to <http://support.plato.com/7978>

Note: If the "Default Level" button is not active, the browser already has the correct settings. No further changes are necessary.

Pop-up blockers must be disabled or configured properly in order to run PLATO courseware successfully.

Pop-up blockers or stoppers are used to prevent additional windows, typically advertisements, from opening within the web browser.

Pop-up blocking software disables JavaScript pop-up ads, but it also disables legitimate web site functionality using JavaScript. PLATO web-based courseware depends on JavaScript in order to run correctly.

The procedures to disable or configure pop-up blockers vary, depending on the software used. Assistance with configuring the settings should be available within the pop-up blocker application. Several widely available pop-up blockers, such as Yahoo! ® or Google®, contain menus or buttons on the toolbar which allow users to uninstall or disable the blocker.

## **Enable Cookies**

Cookies are required to be enabled on all workstations running the PLATO Web Learning Network.

Web browsers have cookies **enabled** by default. If cookies are not enabled for the browser on workstation, instructions can be found in the web browser's Help file. Simply start the web browser and then click "Help" on the menu bar at the top of the screen or from the menu bar.

## **Download & Install Plug-ins**

The PLATO Web Learning Network requires the use of plug-ins on workstations. The required plug-ins can be downloaded either from the login window of PWLN or directly from vendor web sites.

### **Plug-ins for Windows-based Workstations**

The following plug-ins are required to run PLATO Learning courseware. To download and install plug-ins on workstations with Windows operating systems, click on the links below.

[Flash® Player](#)  
[Shockwave® Player \(Full Install\)](#)  
[Authorware® \(Full Install\)](#)  
[PLATO Xtras®](#)  
[iPCD3](#)

### **Plug-ins for Mac-based Workstations**

The following plug-ins are required to run PLATO Learning courseware. To download and install plug-ins on workstations with Mac OS X operating systems, click on the links below.

[Flash® Player](#)  
[Shockwave® Player \(Full Install\)](#)  
[Authorware® \(Full Install\)](#)  
[PLATO Xtras®](#)  
[iPCD3](#)

### **Adobe® Reader® (for Windows and Mac)**

Online documentation for PLATO products requires Adobe® Reader® 7.0 or higher. The latest version of Adobe Reader can be downloaded directly from <http://www.adobe.com/support/downloads/>

For more details, go to [http://support.plato.com/plugin\\_test.asp](http://support.plato.com/plugin_test.asp)