

Student Prerequisites

GCCLC computer training classes are designed using a:

- Standard 17" monitor set to a medium resolution
- Standard keyboard for typing information into the computer
- Standard mouse or trackball for navigation and giving commands to the computer.

Course content is delivered verbally by instructors and through the use of a large display screen. Each student also receives a manual of course material, printed in normal size font. None of the special Microsoft Accessibility Features (available in Windows ME/XP) are used in any of our courses.

To be able to participate, students must be able to:

- Read 12 point text on a standard computer monitor at normal viewing distance (approx. 20")
- Hear an instructor. We can seat people with hearing difficulties at stations near the front of the class, but these are still 8' to 12' from the instructor. Unfortunately, as we share the building with other users, we cannot use amplification equipment and we are not equipped with "loop" or other hearing technology
- View a large screen (6' x 8') at a distance of 20' to 40'
- Have the hand and eye co-ordination skills to control either a normal mouse or trackball.
- Be able to read a book with normal size text

If you feel you might have difficulties meeting these requirements, please discuss your concerns with any of our staff, prior to registration. Although we will make every effort to accommodate people with disabilities, please understand that our courses are designed to meet the above minimum requirements. Please note that RSVP and FREED have special programs that can help disabled people to use computers, through the use of specialized tools, applications and accessibility features.

All classes delivered at the Gold Country Computer Learning Center use the Windows XP operating system. The basic and introductory courses use MS Works Suite as the working application and students for these classes will find it useful if they have this application on their computer at home