

## Resource 2: TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

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### INTRODUCTION

The 2022 Fellowship Examination will be delivered using two software applications: a remote proctoring application called [ProctorU](#) and video conferencing service called [Zoom](#).

Each candidate is responsible for confirming that their computer system meets the requirements of these technologies. This must be done well ahead of the examination to support a smooth examination experience from a technical standpoint.

### OBJECTIVES OF THIS RESOURCE

#### IN THIS RESOURCE YOU WILL LEARN:

- About the hardware, software and network requirements of the 2022 Fellowship Examination.
- Tips for safeguarding the performance of your system during the examination.

## SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

The tables below provide detailed information about the hardware, software and network requirements for the 2022 Fellowship Examination.

### *Hardware Requirements:*

Hardware		Recommended System Requirements
Computer		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Laptop or desktop computer;</li> <li>Mac or PC</li> <li>No tablets, smart/cell phones, etc.</li> </ul>
	CPU speed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dual-core 2Ghz or higher (Intel i3/i5/i7 or AMD equivalent)</li> </ul>
	Available hard drive space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1+ GB</li> </ul>
	Total memory (RAM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4+ GB</li> </ul>
Monitor		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Single monitor</li> <li>Screen resolution of 1920 x 1080 and above is recommended at a scale of 100%</li> <li>No dual-monitor configurations</li> </ul>
Webcam		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Free-standing or built-in with a minimum resolution of 640 x 480 p</li> <li>If built-in, you must be able to lift your computer and point the camera in any direction including up and down (during the check-in process)</li> <li>No virtual backgrounds</li> </ul>
Microphone/Speakers		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Built-in microphone and speaker</li> <li>Wired headphones or headsets</li> <li>No wireless headphones or headsets</li> </ul>
Power		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Directly plugged into a powersource</li> </ul>

*Software Requirements:*

Software	Recommended System Requirements	Minimum System Requirements
Operating system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Windows 10 (S Mode not supported);</li> <li>MacOS 10.15 or higher</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Windows 8 or higher (Windows 10 S Mode not supported);</li> <li>MacOS 10.13 or higher</li> </ul>
Google Chrome <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Google Chrome - current version</li> </ul>	--
Zoom <sup>2</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zoom Client for Meetings - current version</li> </ul>	--
Anti-virus software	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>all third-party antivirus software and pop-up blockers must be turned off</li> </ul>	--

<sup>1</sup> To download Google Chrome for free (Mac or PC), click here: <https://www.google.com/chrome>

<sup>2</sup> To download Zoom for free (Mac or PC), click here: <https://zoom.us/download>

*Network Requirements:*

Network	Recommended System Requirements	Minimum System Requirements
Stable internet connection <sup>3</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Download Speed of 15 mbps</li> <li>Upload speed of 3 mbps</li> <li>Wired internet connection to reduce the likelihood of connectivity issues during the examination</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Download speed of 5 mbps</li> <li>Upload speed of 2 mbps</li> <li>Wi-Fi <u>only if you are unable to establish a wired connection</u><sup>4</sup></li> </ul>
No other connected devices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disconnect unnecessary or prohibited devices such as printers, second monitors, etc. and remove them from the room</li> <li><u>No other people should use your internet network during the examination, as activities such as online gaming and music and video streaming will limit available bandwidth and may cause connectivity issues</u></li> </ul>	--

<sup>3</sup> To test the speed of your internet, click here: <https://www.speedtest.net/>, here <https://fast.com>, or here [speedtest.googlefiber.net](https://speedtest.googlefiber.net)

<sup>4</sup> If you must use WiFi and have concerns about the stability of your internet connection, seek technical support to strengthen your connection well in advance of your examination.

**NOTE:**



RCDC strongly recommends using a wired internet connection (i.e., an Ethernet cable plugged directly into your modem or router, using a USB port adapter if needed).

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- No tablets, smart/cell phones, etc.
- No dual-monitor configurations
- All third-party antivirus software and pop-up blockers must be turned off
- No docking stations
- No virtual backgrounds
- No wireless headphones or headsets