This course has an online component. To successfully complete this course, you MUST have the right equipment and skills, along with an ACNS computer account. The first hurdle you’ve got to jump: find the websites listed on this page. If you have trouble with that, you'll need to get help on using the Worldwide Web before going any further. Don’t let computer issues stand between you and learning!

First:
Use the free campus computer labs in 315 Carothers, 202 Union, Strozier Library, and many academic departments. If you’d rather use your own computer, check these recommended minimums for the two most common platforms:
- **PC:** Pentium 4 1.8GHz cache; 256MB RAM; 60GB Hard Disk; 24x CD-ROM; Accelerated video card w/8MB RAM; 100% Sound Blaster compatible sound card w/speakers; 56k V.90 modem; Windows XP
- **Mac:** PowerPC G4 700MHz; 256MB RAM; 60GB Hard Disk; 24x CD-ROM; Accelerated video card w/8MB RAM; 56k V.90 modem; Mac OS X

Get online by using the free Internet service available to FSU students, including fast ethernet connections for dorm residents. See the ACNS account section below for more information. (You can use AOL or other pay services – but you’ll still need to establish an account at FSU for courses like this one.)

Use the Web Browser required for FSU online materials, which is version 7.0 or later of Netscape Navigator or Microsoft Internet Explorer 6.0 or later – or equivalent browsers.

Learn to browse the Web, which means more than just clicking a few hyperlinks. Have you used bookmarks? History tools? Multiple windows? Preferences? For an overview of browsing skills for online courses, see http://webmc.fsu.edu/help/tutorials/netscape.html (describes Netscape Navigator – but most browsers are similar).

Second:
Get an account with FSU ACNS.

- **If you can’t remember** your username or password, call the Help Desk at 644-8502 or visit 309 Carothers Hall.
- **To forward email** from your ACNS account to one you’re accustomed to (such as Yahoo! Mail or Hotmail or AOL), visit https://cars.acns.fsu.edu/CARS/account_maintenance.html.
- **To change your password**, visit https://password.fsu.edu.

Third:
Explore the course interface now.

- **Find the course website** by visiting http://campus.fsu.edu/, login, and then select the respective course from the portal module named “My Courses”

Log in with your ACNS username and password. (If your ACNS email address is abc1234@garnet.fsu.edu, your username is “abc1234”. The @ and everything after it is just for email. If you have both garnet and mailer ACNS accounts, use your garnet username and password. Remember to use your email password from ACNS.)

Navigate the course website once you’re in by clicking on items in the menu at the left:
- **Find the course syllabus**, which can usually be found by selecting the **Syllabus** button.
- **Interact with other students** online by using discussion forums, found under **Communication**.
- **If you’re stumped**, click **Student Tools** and look for the student manual.

Really stumped? Visit http://online.fsu.edu/onlinesupport/ or call 644-8502.