

Basic software packages in Macintosh computers

This page gives brief descriptions of basic applications and their purpose of use on Metropolia Macintosh computers.

With Mac OS X operating system you get the following:

Finder



Finder is a ground level Mac OS X application with which you use Macintosh. You can use Finder to open and search for other applications and documents.

Safari



Safari is Apple's internet browser based in WebKit. Most web pages can be viewed in Safari. It is recommended that you use Metropolia internal services with Firefox.

Image Capture



With Image Capture you can transfer pictures from digital cameras and other such devices to the workstation. With it you can also use most flatbed (image) scanners.

iTunes



Music, movies and other media content on the workstation is administered using iTunes. iTunes is needed when setting up an Apple iPhone.

Photo Booth



With Photo Booth you can take funny pictures using Mac's internal web camera. The application has picture effects that can be used in real time.

Preview



With Preview you can open and to some extent edit PDF documents and pictures.

QuickTime Player



Play internet videos, HD movie trailers and your own media clips.
QuickTime Player brings you digital media to live.

TextEdit



Apple text editor that can also open MS Word documents (.doc, .docx).
Saves by default in RTF format which is commonly compatible with most operating systems.

Licensed software:

Microsoft



Microsoft Office 2011 for Mac, includes:

- Word
- Excel
- PowerPoint
- Outlook - only for staff computers

[Instructional videos for Office 2011 Mac \(Microsoft\)](#)

Adobe Acrobat Pro 9

- Acrobat Pro UK
- Acrobat Distiller UK

Adobe Creative Suite 5 Design Premium UK

- Adobe Photoshop® CS5 Extended
- Adobe Illustrator® CS5
- Adobe® InDesign® CS5
- Adobe Flash® Catalyst™ CS5
- Adobe Flash Professional CS5
- Adobe Dreamweaver® CS5
- Adobe Fireworks® CS5
- Adobe Bridge CS5
- Adobe Device Central CS5

Adobe Creative Suite 5 Master Collection UK

- Adobe Photoshop® CS5 Extended
- Adobe Illustrator® CS5
- Adobe® InDesign® CS5
- Adobe Flash® Catalyst™ CS5
- Adobe Flash Professional CS5
- Adobe Flash Builder™ 4 Standard
- Adobe Dreamweaver® CS5
- Adobe Fireworks® CS5
- Adobe Contribute® CS5
- Adobe Premiere® Pro CS5
- Adobe After Effects® CS5
- Adobe Soundbooth® CS5
- Adobe OnLocation™ CS5
- Adobe Encore® CS5
- Adobe Bridge CS5
- Adobe Device Central CS5
- Adobe Dynamic Link

Added basic software:

Adium



Adium is a freeware open source instant messaging program that understands many communications protocols; AOL Instant Messenger, Windows Live, Yahoo Messenger, Google Talk, Twitter, Facebook Chat, IRC, ICQ, MySpace IM.

<http://www.adium.im/about/>

Audacity



Audacity is free and easy to use application for saving and editing audio material.

<http://audacity.sourceforge.net/about/>

Cyberduck



Cyberduck is an open source file transfer program, that supports the following protocols: FTP (File Transfer Protocol), SFTP (SSH Secure File Transfer), WebDAV, Amazon S3, Google Storage, Windows Azure, Rackspace Cloud Files ja Google Docs.

<http://cyberduck.ch/>

Firefox



Firefox is a widely supported and stable web browser. The best option when using Metropolia internal web based services on Mac OS X.

<http://www.mozilla.com/en-US/about/>

Freemind



Freemind is a freeware program used for creating and editing mind maps.

http://freemind.sourceforge.net/wiki/index.php/Main_Page

Fugu



Fugu is a BSD licensed file transfer program. Supported protocols: FTP, SFTP, SCP ja SSH.

<http://sourceforge.net/projects/fugussh/>

Google Earth



With Google Earth you can view satellite pictures and maps and move in virtual environments based on real photographs.

<http://www.google.com/earth/explore/products/desktop.html>

jAlbum



With jAlbum you can build an elegant photo album and transfer it to any web site you want.

<http://jalbum.net/>

LiquidCD



LiquidCD is a freeware optical media burning software.
With it you can also create a disk image of an optical disk.
Supported file formats are: dmg, iso, cue/bin, ccd /img, toc, nrg, cdi, mdf/mds, b6t/b6i, daa, gbi.

<http://www.maconnect.ch/>

OpenOffice.org



OpenOffice is a freeware open source office application collection with which you can create and edit text, spreadsheets, presentation graphics, and data bases. OpenOffice documents can be opened in most operating systems.

<http://www.openoffice.org/>

RealPlayer



RealPlayer is a media player used mainly for playing RealNetwork RealMedia format (.rm).

<http://www.real.com/>

RealPlayer Converter



RealPlayer media converter converts media files between different formats.

<http://www.real.com/realplayer/convert-video>

Second Life Viewer



Second Life is a 3D virtual world, where you can move and talk to others as an avatar. In the 4GoodLife wellbeing area stages events, meetings, and wellbeing services, which are developed in accordance with students' needs and wishes.

<https://wiki.laurea.fi/display/LIF/Etusivu>
<http://secondlife.com/whatis/?lang=en-US>

Skype



With the Skype connection program you can make voice and video calls between devices installed with Skype. You can also make conference calls, transfer files and do instant messaging.

<http://www.skype.com/intl/fi/features/>

Stuffit Expander



Stuffit Expander is a program with which you can extract compressed files. It extracts the following file formats: sit, sitx, tar, gzip, bzip, hqx, WinZip®, 7zX, iShrink, SimplyRAR, Rarify, Rucksack (formerly iArchiver), BetterZip, RarMachine, GUI Tar, CleanArchiver, Springy, TarPit, RAR, Ez7z, Keka.

<http://www.stuffit.com/mac-expander.html>

TextWrangler



TextWrangler is a freeware raw text editor. It can be used for example for programming. It supports syntax color codes for various kinds of source files such as html, php, java, ANSI C, C++, Fortran, Java, Object Pascal, Objective-C, Perl, Python, Rez, Ruby, Tcl, TeX, Unix shell.

<http://www.barebones.com/products/textwrangler/features.html>

VLC (Video LAN Client)



VLC is a media player, that can play almost all video media formats.

<http://www.videolan.org/vlc/>

FontNuke



FontNuke is a utility that clears corrupted font caches.
Clearing font caches may help when programs crash unexpectedly.

<http://www.jamapi.com/pr/fn/>

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