

ARCH-IT: Free and Discounted Software

CADCIT has compiled a list of free and discounted software for students. If you know of any software that is free or even cheap for students please let me know so I can add it to the list.

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Free Software for Students

Open Office Suite

PC and Mac

This is a software productivity suite designed to compete with Microsoft Office applications such as Word, Excel and Powerpoint. It's a good substitute for Microsoft office. You can open Word, Excel and Powerpoint files, edit them and save them. One limitation is that Open Office cannot save Office 2007 files in their native format.

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

ArchiCAD

PC and Mac

BIM Application that is a good substitute for AutoCAD.

<http://www.graphisoft.com/community/education/downloads/>

Autodesk: Revit, Viz, Impressions, Inventor, AliaStudio, and others

PC

Different applications from the Autodesk Suite. Does not include AutoCAD.

<http://students.autodesk.com>

VPN and Antivirus

PC and Mac

Auburn University provides free antivirus software for students, as well as, the Cisco VPN client needed to access the file and print server.

<http://auburn.edu/software>

Google Sketchup

PC and Mac

This basic 3D Modeling software is very easy to use.

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

Google Earth

PC and Mac

This virtual globe program provides detailed maps and images of the world.

<http://earth.google.com/>

Rhino 3D for Mac

Mac

This is a beta testing signup for Rhino 3D for Mac. It's not exclusive to students, but it's free and that's what counts!

<http://community.ihhino3d.com/>

Gimp (GNU Image Manipulation Program)

PC and Mac

This is an alternative to Adobe Photoshop.

<http://gimp.org/>

Inkscape

PC and Mac

This is an alternative to Adobe Illustrator.

<http://inkscape.org/>

Vectorworks Designer

PC and Mac

This is a 3D modeling program similar to Rhino.

<http://nemetschek.net/student/index.php>

Discounted Software for Students

There is a lot of software out there that has that special "Academic Pricing" moniker attached to it. Once you graduate you can't get the special deals like you can as a student, so take advantage of the discounts while you can. There are several places you can get discounted software. A couple of the more popular places are the AU Bookstore www.aubookstore.com and Academic Superstore <http://www.academicssuperstore.com/>.

Note: These prices are as of 02/12/2009 and are subject to change.

Adobe CS4 Design Premium

PC and Mac

This suite includes the basic Adobe software commonly used in design: Photoshop Extended, Illustrator, InDesign, Flash, Dreamweaver, Fireworks, and Acrobat 9 Pro.

\$400.00

AutoCAD 2009 Student Version (12 Month Term)

PC

\$155.00

Microsoft Office Home and Student 2007

PC

This suite includes Word, Excel, Powerpoint, and OneNote. This does not include Access, Outlook, Publisher, or Accounting Express.

\$94.00

Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac Home and Student

Mac

This suite includes Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Entourage, and Messenger for Mac.

\$140.00

Rhinoceros 4.0

PC

\$196.00

Google SketchUp Pro 7 Student License (12 Month Term)

PC and Mac

This is an easy 3D Modeling program that has more features than the free version.

\$49.00