

RIAS DESKTOP REQUIREMENTS

To use the RIAS system, users will be required to meet a minimum hardware specification. Listed below are the MINIMUM requirements necessary to run Personal Computer and Macintosh systems, as provided by Oracle Corporation. **NOTE:** UNIX and Linux workstations are not currently supported by Oracle.

Since it is common practice to run additional software (i.e. WORD, EXCEL, MS ACCESS, Adobe Acrobat, or email) at the same time as RIAS, this should be taken into account when considering the minimum desktop requirements below and whether your existing system will meet your work habits. Please review the following tables carefully when determining adequacy of existing client systems or considering purchases of new ones. Please feel free to contact the Rutgers Computer Store for information on computer equipment packages that have been negotiated to maximize university resources. The Rutgers Computer Store web site is <http://www.computer-store.rutgers.edu>.

Personal Computer (PC) Minimum System Requirements

		OS	Minimum Processor	Minimum Memory
Tier 1	Departmental Users – RIAS usage is usually a few times a day or less. This user would typically bring up the application, complete their work, and then exit the application.	Windows NT 4.0	Pentium 350 MHz or higher	128 MB Minimum or 256 MB Preferable
		Windows 9X		
		Windows 2000		
Tier 2	Power and Central Users - RIAS usage is daily. This user would typically bring up the application and leave it running throughout the day. This user may also be running other tools like EXCEL, WORD, and ACCESS	Windows NT 4.0	Pentium 500 MHz or higher	256 MB Minimum or 512 MB Preferable
		Windows 9X		
		Windows 2000		

	Monitor	Color Setting	Free Disk Space	Browser
Tier 1	XGA 1024 x 768 Recommend a 17" Monitor or larger	256 Colors Minimum 65,536 (64K) Colors Recommended	Minimum of 200 MB	Internet Explorer Version 5.01 with Service Pack 1 (SP1) or higher Most Recent Version of Netscape 4.7X
Tier 2	XGA 1024 x 768 Recommend a 17" Monitor or larger	256 Colors Minimum 65,536 (64K) Colors Recommended		Minimum of 200 MB

Macintosh Minimum System Requirements

		OS	Minimum Processor	Minimum Memory
Tier 1	Departmental Users – RIAS usage is usually a few times a day or less. This user would typically bring up the application, complete their work, and then exit the application.	9.1	200 MHz PowerPC G3 or higher iMACS are supported	128 MB Minimum or 256 MB Preferable
Tier 2	Power and Central Users - RIAS usage is daily. This user would typically bring up the application and leave it running throughout the day. This user may also be running other tools like EXCEL, WORD, and ACCESS	9.1	466 MHz PowerPC G3 or higher iMACS are supported	256 MB Minimum or 512 MB Preferable

	Monitor	Free Disk Space	Browser
Tier 1	Resolution of 1024 x 768 Recommend a 17" Monitor or larger	Minimum of 200 MB	MAC Version of Internet Explorer 5 or Netscape 4.7X
Tier 2	Resolution of 1024 x 768 Recommend a 17" Monitor or larger	Minimum of 200 MB	MAC Version of Internet Explorer 5 or Netscape 4.7X

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PC – MS Internet Explorer 5.01 with Service Pack 1 (SP1) or Netscape 4.7x

Mac – MS Internet Explorer 5 or Netscape 4.7x

Adobe 4.0 or later version is recommended

Browsers at Rutgers

Rutgers supports both Netscape and Microsoft Internet Explorer. At a minimum, we recommend that all Rutgers users have a copy of either the most recent version of [Netscape 4.7x](#) or [Internet Explorer \(Mac version of Internet Explorer\)](#), whatever other browsers they may choose to have. Administrative users should have a working copy of Internet Explorer, even if they use Netscape for most browsing. In particular, we recommend Internet Explorer for use with RIAS (the Rutgers Integrated Administrative System) and other Oracle-based applications.

Browsers for RIAS and other Oracle-based Applications

Internet Explorer 5.01 with SP1 or higher is recommended for [RIAS \(the Rutgers Integrated Administration System\)](#), for the following reasons:

- RIAS is significantly faster with Internet Explorer than with Netscape
- In testing, we have had problems getting RIAS to work with Netscape. Some users have succeeded, but others have not.
- Even if Netscape works for most of the application, not all functions work consistently.

If you can't use Internet Explorer (e.g. because you are using Linux), we suggest using the most recent version of Netscape 4.7x. If you are on Unix or Linux, and RIAS doesn't work with your copy of Netscape (even 4.79), we recommend that you download a fresh copy of 4.79, install it into a new directory in its default configuration (i.e. no plug-ins other than what comes with the download), and run it from there. RIAS will not work with Netscape 6, 7, or Mozilla.

For more details please go to RUCS Web Services page at: <http://rucs.rutgers.edu/services/communicating/web-overview.html>

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