

## **NYU Undergraduate Technology Guide\***

\* Students in Inquiry: Multimedia should purchase the following equipment. Students pursuing the Media Criticism track in the Journalism major and taking The Beat and Advanced Reporting should also purchase this equipment.

### **Portable external hard drive**

A portable external hard drive that meets these minimum specifications:

- USB 3.0 and Thunderbolt connections
- 1TB or more recommended for students enrolled in multimedia classes
- Speed of 7200 RPM
- You will use Mac computers at [20 Cooper Square](#) to edit your projects, so your drive should be Mac compatible. If you have a PC, make sure your hard drive works with both.

Here are a few recommendations for drives:

- [G-Technology, 1TB](#)
- [Glyph, 2TB](#)
- [LaCie, 1TB](#)

External hard drives can be purchased in most electronic stores and via online retailers.

### **SD Card**

An SD, SDHC or SDXC card that meets these minimum specifications:

- 16GB or 32GB
- Minimum Write Speed: 80MB/s or higher

Here are a few recommendations for SD cards:

- [SanDisk, 32GB](#)
  - [SanDisk, 16GB](#)
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### **At least four AA batteries (energizer blue)**

### **Equipment Room**

While enrolled in a multimedia class at NYU Journalism, students are eligible to check out equipment from the equipment room, aka “the cage.” They have two options to open an account:

- In order to use the equipment room, students can either leave a check or money order over \$150 made out to New York University as a deposit in the equipment room. If the student doesn’t break or lose equipment, the check or money order will be returned to them at the end of the term. Students choosing this option take on full responsibility for the gear they rent.
- Students can purchase equipment insurance for a full year, which will not only cover the equipment they check out from the equipment room, but also personal items like laptops etc. The insurance plan costs \$155. The deductible on the plan is \$500. Students who choose the insurance plan, don’t need to leave a \$150 check or money order.