Image Digitisation Equipment and Software

This document outlines some of the audio and video digitization equipment available in Australia. These suggestions have been used at the State Library of NSW.

DIGITISATION KIT

Scanner: Flatbed scanner – Epson perfection V370
Laptop: Dell Latitude 7490 with Intel Core i5 processor, 8GB RAM and 256 SSD drive
Portable SD: Sandisk Portable SSD 500GB
Case: Pelican case for taking these out and about for scanning.

Pros: This scanner is not expensive and is portable. It works best for images, photographs, and slides.
Cons: This is not the best scanner if you are looking at making copies of manuscripts which are fragile.

IMAGE EDITING SOFTWARE

Adobe Photoshop Express:
http://www.photoshop.com/products/photoshopexpress
Available for free
Pros: Free, a good option for editing on the go
Cons: Only available on a tablet or mobile device

GNU Image Manipulation Program (GIMP):
https://www.gimp.org/downloads/
Available for free
Pros: Free, similar to Photoshop
Cons: May be a few updates behind Photoshop CC

IrfanView:
http://www.irfanview.com/
Available for free
Pros: Free, lightweight
Cons: Limited features

Adobe Photoshop CC:
http://www.adobe.com/sea/products/photoshop.html
Available at adobe.com, monthly payments ranging from $9.99-49.99 per month for individuals,
other pricing options for students/teachers (2016-01-20)
Pros: Lots of features
Cons: Expensive, only available by monthly subscription