

If you are using Financial Aid, your award letter contains a line item in Cost of Attendance with \$1,500 for Computer Expense. We strongly recommend purchasing a new computer and we have designated the specifications in the chart below. We have shown examples for a Mac system and a Windows system as something that will work well with our security requirements and your program’s activities. OUHSC Information Technology has made every effort to secure reasonable pricing from Apple and Dell. The link to Apple online store is provided below, and the Dell link is forthcoming. Please read carefully the “Important Information about Computer Requirements” and the OUHSC Device Security Clinic. Please contact the IT Service Desk (# at bottom of chart) if you have any questions about the technology requirements.

Recommended Laptops: The University strongly recommends the purchase of a new laptop computer, if possible, or the use of an existing computer *no more than 1-2 years old* in order to have the best possible experience with the required security tools and your academic, clinical, or research activities. Please check with HSC Office of Financial Aid about the applicability of available financial aid funds for a computer purchase. It is your responsibility to ensure that your laptop is compatible with the required security tools in order to participate in your program’s curriculum.

The following laptop specifications are strongly recommended by OUHSC Information Technology:

Platform*	MacOS	Microsoft Windows
Operating System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum OS: MacOS 10.13 or 10.14 • Office 2016 Professional or better • Google Chrome web browser • VLC multimedia player 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum OS: Windows 10 <i>Education</i> or Pro edition [available through our license at no additional cost to enrolled students] • Office 2016 Professional or better • Adobe Reader (Windows only) • Google Chrome web browser • VLC multimedia player
Specifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • i5™ or better Processor • 13-inch or higher display • Webcam • Minimum 8GB RAM or greater • Minimum 256GB Hard Drive (Solid State) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business-class (such as the Dell Latitude Series) • i5™ or better Processor (avoid the “M” processor) • 13-inch or higher display • Webcam • Minimum 8GB RAM or greater • Minimum 256GB Hard Drive (Solid State) • 256MB Video Memory • 802.11b/g Wireless
Required for both Mac & PC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webcam 	
Recommended for both Mac & PC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accidental Damage Coverage • Theft Recovery Software • USB Flash Drive (encrypted if storing PHI) • External Hard Drive (for backing up data) • Personal printer • Extra A/C Adapter for Laptop Users 	

Recommended Example Laptop	Apple MacBook Pro (See specification recommendations above for configuration options) <i>Purchase at educational discount at http://apple.com/edu/ouhsc</i>	Dell Latitude 5490 (See specification recommendations above for configuration options) <i>Purchase at educational discount at http://www.dell.com/premier/us/en/rc1385287/?v=2.021#/home</i>
Protecting your investment	<p>Consider protective device such as cases, skins, keyboard covers; always carry your laptop in a protective bag or backpack.</p> <p>Manufactures offer 1 year warranties against mechanical failure, but accidental damage (very common: spills, dropped, cracked screen, etc.) are not covered without an additional warranty the specifically covers this cost. Consider an extended warranty from either Dell (Windows) or 3rd-party providers like SafeWare.</p>	

QUESTIONS? Please contact the IT Service Desk at 405/271-2203 (888/435-7486) or servicedesk@ouhsc.edu with questions or request for additional information.