IMPORTANT---
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 upcoming device security clinic. Please contact the IT Service Desk (# at bottom of chart) if you have any questions about the technology requirements.

Important information about computer requirements:
The privacy and security of the protected health information (PHI) governed by federal HIPAA law and monitored by the Office of Civil Rights (OCR), is of critical importance to the entire OU Health Sciences Center community. What this means for you: All laptop computers used for university related activities, including academic course work, testing, classroom notes, HSC email, and clinical or research activities MUST complete a device security clinic prior to their use with any HSC resources.

The device security clinic is in the David L. Boren Student Union and will provide, at no cost to you, encryption, anti-virus, and other security tools needed to protect your devices and the data they may contain. Dates for the device security clinic will be provided to you by your program/College.

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:

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<td>Operating System</td>
<td>Minimum OS: MacOS 10.11 el Capitan [standard, no additional cost on Macs]</td>
<td>Minimum OS: Windows 10 Education (not Home) edition [available through our license at no additional cost to enrolled students]</td>
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| Specifications | - i5 or i7 Intel™ Processor  
- 13-inch display  
- Minimum 8GB RAM or greater  
- Minimum 250GB SSD Hard Drive  
Note: Video memory and Wireless are standard on MacOS | - Business-class (such as the Dell Latitude Series)  
- i5 or i7 Intel™ Processor (avoid the “M” processor)  
- 13-15 inch display  
- Minimum 8GB RAM or greater  
- Minimum 250GB SSD Hard Drive  
- 256MB Video Memory  
- 802.11b/g Wireless |
| Recommended Example Laptop | Apple MacBook Pro  
(See specification recommendations above for configuration options) | Dell Latitude 5480  
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| Protecting your investment | Consider protective device such as cases, skins, keyboard covers; always carry your laptop in a protective bag or backpack.  
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 that specifically covers this cost. Consider an extended warranty from either Dell (Windows) or 3<sup>rd</sup>-party providers like SafeWare. | *Note: The OUHSC security suite is only supported on MacOS and certain versions of Windows OS computers; it cannot be used on Linux or other operating systems.*  
QUESTIONS? Please contact the IT Service Desk at 405.271.2203 (888.435.7486) or servicedesk@ouhsc.edu with questions or requests for additional information. |