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University Computer Guidelines and Specifications

**Desktop Specifications**

The lists below provide the minimum recommended specifications for computers purchased for personal, business and home use. They are separated into minimum recommendation for a new computer and acceptable minimum existing computer. Remember, computers bought for university use **must** have the recommended three year warranty.

### Student, Staff & Faculty Personal Desktop Specifications

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<th>Item</th>
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<th>Acceptable Existing Computers</th>
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<tr>
<td>Processor</td>
<td>4th Gen Intel i5/i7 (3.2 Ghz, 6M) or (AMD equiv)</td>
<td>3rd Gen Intel i3/i5 (2.8 Ghz) or (AMD equiv)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>8 GB (64 bit OS)</td>
<td>4 GB (32bit OS Only) 6 GB (64 bit OS)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hard Drive</td>
<td>500 GB Hybrid Drive</td>
<td>250 GB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Video Card</td>
<td>1 GB or higher</td>
<td>512 MB or higher</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Monitor</td>
<td>20” LED Wide screen</td>
<td>19&quot; LCD Flat Panel or larger</td>
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<tr>
<td>Media Drive</td>
<td>16x DVD +/- RW</td>
<td>8x DVD +/- RW</td>
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<tr>
<td>Operating System</td>
<td>Win 8.1/ Win 7 (64 bit) Prem/ Professional/Ultimate</td>
<td>Windows 7 Pro</td>
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<tr>
<td>LAN</td>
<td>Gigabyte Ethernet LAN</td>
<td>10/100 Ethernet LAN</td>
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<td>Warranty</td>
<td>3 year warranty</td>
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**Note:** Student warranties should cover the students expected stay at the university and have provisions for an expedient turn around should repairs be needed.

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<tr>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>8 GB (64 bit OS)</td>
<td>4/6 GB (64 bit OS)</td>
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<td>Hard Drive</td>
<td>500 GB Hybrid Drive</td>
<td>320 GB HDD</td>
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<td>Video Card</td>
<td>1 GB (or higher) for dual Monitors</td>
<td>512 MB or higher</td>
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<td>2 GB or higher if running</td>
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<td>Processor</td>
<td>2.7 GHz Quad Core Intel i5</td>
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<td>8 GB</td>
<td>4 GB</td>
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<td>Video Card</td>
<td>Intel Iris Pro Graphics</td>
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<td>Monitor</td>
<td>21.5&quot; LED Panel</td>
<td>20&quot; LCD Panel</td>
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<td>Media Drive</td>
<td>Apple USB SuperDrive</td>
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<td>Operating System</td>
<td>Mac OS X &quot;Yosemite&quot;</td>
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<td>Warranty</td>
<td>3 yr Apple Care warranty</td>
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Note: ALL Apple Computers for University use must include the Apple Care Warranty

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Apple Desktop Specifications- iMac

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Note: All Computers, laptops, iPads, tablets and like items must be purchased with a Purchase Order. See section 3 of the Purchasing Procurement Card User Guide Sub section 3.6 Limitations On All Cards. PCard Users Guide Also note that systems for university use must have a three (3) year warranty.

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Notebook/Laptop Specifications

The lists below provide the minimum recommended specifications for computers

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Student, Staff and Faculty Personal Notebooks

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<td>4th Gen Intel Core i5 Dual Core, 2.2GHz</td>
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<td>Memory</td>
<td>8 GB (64 Bit OS)</td>
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<td>Media Drive</td>
<td>16x DVD +/-RW</td>
<td>8 DVD +/-RW</td>
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<td>Operating System</td>
<td>Win 8.1/ Win 7 (64 bit)</td>
<td>Windows 7 Pro (64 bit)</td>
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<td>Professional</td>
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<td>Gigabyte Ethernet LAN</td>
<td>10/100 Ethernet LAN</td>
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<td>Wireless LAN</td>
<td>802.11 a/b/g/n w/Bluetooth 4.0</td>
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### Apple Notebooks

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<td>2.7 Ghz dual-core Intel Core i5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>8 GB</td>
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<td>Hard Drive</td>
<td>128GB PCIe-based flash storage</td>
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**Note:** All Computers for University use **must** include the Apple Care Warranty

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## Tablets

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<tr>
<td>Processor</td>
<td>1.5 GHz</td>
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<td>Screen</td>
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**Note:** Tablets for University use must include at least a 2 year Warranty and can be acquired via credit card if the price is $299 and below. All items higher must be done via a purchase order. See Information Technology Guidelines, Procedure 104A, sub section, Computer Purchase Exceptions.

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## iPads Mini & Ipad Air

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<td>Carrier</td>
<td>Choice (University-AT&amp;T)</td>
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**Note:** Ipads for University use must include the 2 year Apple Care Warranty and be acquired via a purchase order.

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