University of New Hampshire

Student Computing Recommendations 2016-2017

UNH sells Apple & Dell devices through UNH Computer Store Tech Connect. Computer Repair Services (CRS) offers warranty service and repair.
Research your purchase at **http://computerstore.unh.edu** or call **(603) 862-1328** for **UNH Computer Store Tech Connect**
Get support online at **http://itsupport.unh.edu** or call **(603) 862-4242** for the **UNH IT Service Desk & CRS**

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General UNH recommendations

Hardware

Component	Minimum supported (bring your own device)	Recommended for new purchase
Processor (CPU)	Intel Core i3	5th generation Intel Core i5 or better
Memory (RAM)	4GB	8GB+
Internal storage	250GB	500GB or 128GB solid state storage
Back-up storage	USB 2.0 device	USB 3.0 or better device Visit **unh.box.com** for info on cloud storage at UNH
Display	LCD display	LCD or LED display Touch screen for Windows 8+
Video Connection	VGA	VGA, DVI, or HDMI Projectors may require adapters
Network Card	100/1000 Ethernet	100/1000Base-T networking May require an adapter on select models
Wireless	802.11g	802.11n or 802.11ac

Software

Purpose	Recommendation
Anti-malware	Microsoft Security Essentials for Windows 7 Microsoft Windows Defender for Windows 8+ Sophos Antivirus for Mac *Free for all users*
Internet browsing	Internet Explorer 11 (Windows) Safari (Mac) Firefox, Chrome (Windows or Mac) *Free for all users*
Productivity	Microsoft Office Professional 2016 (Windows 7+) Microsoft Office for Mac 2016 (OS X) *Free for UNH students*
Dual-platform (Windows & Mac)	Parallels for Mac (8GB RAM, 256GB storage recommended) Windows 10 (full version) Dual-platform prep with Windows *Computer store sells software* *CRS performs prep*

FYI

Warranty Information

UNH Computer Store Tech Connect offers enhanced warranties on certain computer models by default or as an option, depending on the model. UNH is an authorized repair center for Dell, Apple, and Safeware warranties. Such warranties cover hardware only, so certain types of repairs may incur a software-related charge. Terms and conditions apply.

Unless otherwise noted or allowed by the warranty provider, warranties only cover the the single item (such as the computer) and not other items purchased with it.

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Recommendations by College		
College	**Hardware**	**Software**
Colllege of Engineering and Physical Sciences (CEPS)	**All students:** 8GB RAM required, 16GB RAM recommended; 256GB or better storage strongly recommended **Mechanical Engineering:** If Apple, configure as dual-platform setup	**All students:** Productivity suite required. Recommend Microsoft Office 365, Google Docs, or Apple iWork, all of which include online services such as Cloud syncing and collaboration
College of Liberal Arts (COLA)	See minimum hardware recommendations from UNH IT ***Note:*** *Students taking Paul College courses should follow Paul College computer guidelines below*	**All students:** Microsoft Office suite Current version is Office 2016
College of Life Sciences and Agriculture (COLSA)	See minimum hardware recommendations from UNH IT	**All students:** Microsoft Office suite Current version is Office 2016 **Graduate students:** Recommend Windows Professional OS (current version is Windows 10 Professional)
College of Health and Human Services (CHHS)	See minimum hardware recommendations from UNH IT	**All students:** Microsoft Office suite Current version is Office 2016 **Graduate students:** Recommend Windows Professional OS for PC users (current version is Windows 10 Professional)
Peter T. Paul College of Business and Economics (PAUL)	**All students:** If Apple, configure as dual-platform setup (8GB RAM, 256GB hard drive or better required)	**All students:** Microsoft Office Professional 2016 for PC, including Apple users (see Dual-Platform Setup, below)
School of Law (LAW)	See minimum hardware recommendations from UNH IT	**All students:** Microsoft Office suite Current version is Office 2016
Thompson School of Applied Science (TSAS)	**All students:** If Apple, configure as dual-platform setup **Civil Technology students:** Windows-based computer with 8GB RAM & 64-bit operating system to use optional Autodesk appplications available for student download Dekstop computer with dual-monitor set-up recommended for best user experience **Forest Technology students:** Windows-based computer with at least 8GB RAM to use optional ArcGIS software provided by department	**All students:** Microsoft Office Professional 2016 for PC, including Apple users (see Dual-Platform Setup, below) **Applied Animal Sciences students:** Quickbooks, Microsoft Publisher (included in Office Professional 2016 for PC) **Community Leadership students:** Microsoft Publisher (included in Office Professional 2016 for PC)
UNH at Manchester (UNHM)	**All students:** 8GB RAM recommended	**All students:** Microsoft Office suite Current version is Office 2016

Tablets: Not recommended as primary computing device at UNH. Check with professors on classroom tablet policies for note-taking and other functions.
Dual-platform setup: For Apple computers. Requires purchase of Parallels software and a full-version of the Windows operating system. CRS performs installation.